

2022 Facts and Figures

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The HSLU is the university of applied sciences of the six cantons in Central Switzerland. With its 8,300 students at six Schools, 5,000 participants in CAS, DAS and MAS programmes and some 350 new research projects, it is the largest educational institution in the heart of Switzerland. In 2022, its turnover was CHF 316 million.



Move and keep moving

Dear reader,

Since its founding 25 years ago, the Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts (HSLU) has become a driving force and a major service partner in Central Switzerland. The practical relevance of our education and continuing education programmes and of our research and development activities is a crucial success factor. This is also borne out by the results of the 2023 Swiss Education Report, which show that the HSLU has the second-highest rate of graduates working in positions commensurate with their training. It confirms that we teach knowledge and skills that are highly relevant to the labour market.

The HSLU's attractiveness as a place of study is also evident in the fact that more young people from outside the contributing cantons study with us than the other way round. After graduation, many remain here as sought-after specialists in the region's workforce.

As a university-level institution, we aim to move our environment and ourselves with it. We do this by reading the pulse of both the economy and of society, by helping to address social change in Central Switzerland and by contributing to the region's appeal as a place to live and do business. In a project commissioned by the six contributing cantons to counteract the skills shortage in Central Switzerland, the HSLU and the XUND healthcare education centre have teamed up to evaluate the introduction of university-level education and continuing education programmes for the care and medical engineering/life sciences sectors.

While the 2022 anniversary year brought us many wonderful things, it was also marked by the effects of the Ukraine war. The HSLU provided a safe place to live and study for some 40 students at short notice. Soaring energy prices also forced us to consider our energy consumption as an institution and to introduce additional measures to reduce it.

In 2022, there was a great deal of movement in our "HSLU Alumni" network. The HSLU's graduates, lecturers, current students and participants in continuing and executive education programmes can now join the network via the hslu-alumni.ch platform and continue to cultivate contacts after completing their studies.

Education and continuing education are about so much more than just knowledge acquisition; they form networks capable of reaching far beyond the HSLU and of making a difference on multiple levels. Without these connections and the commitment of the many actors involved – specifically, our six contributing cantons – our successes would not have been possible. Thank you!

Barbara Bader, President

Education

More than 8,000 students

							Total
2022	1,837	2,824	1,196	877	902	658	8,294
2021	1,928	2,892	1,134	860	867	652	8,333
2020	1,930	2,575	1,023	853	815	593	7,789

■ Engineering and Architecture
 ■ Business
 ■ Computer Science and Information Technology
 ■ Social Work
 ■ Art and Design
 ■ Music*

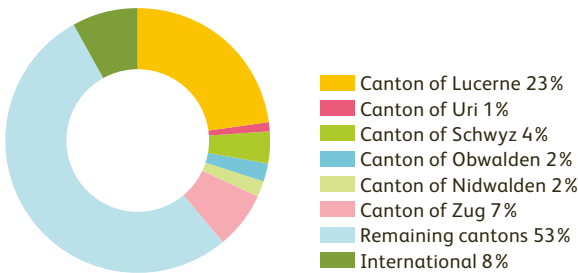
(figures as at 15 October 2022)

In 2022, 6,477 students were enrolled in a bachelor's and 1,799 in a master's programme at one of the six Schools. Engineering and Architecture, Business, and Information Technology accounted for roughly 71 % of the students. Women made up 46 %. 2,006 students received their graduation certificate. The Schools offer a total of 39 bachelor's and 21 master's programmes as well as one diploma degree programme.

8,294 bachelor's and master's students*

Full range: hslu.ch/education

Students by origin



39 % of the students are from central Switzerland. The “International” category encompasses people who solely reside in Switzerland for the purpose of studying.

*incl. 18 teaching diploma students (School of Music)

Continuing and Executive Education

A leading university of applied sciences in continuing education

							Total
2022	1,063	7,675	1,231	1,929	29	797	12,724
2021	1,061	6,912	1,303	2,059	146	482	11,963
2020	978	5,267	1,287	1,870	130	481	10,013

■ Engineering and Architecture
 ■ Business
 ■ Computer Science and Information Technology
■ Social Work
 ■ Art and Design
 ■ Music
 (data by calendar year)

1,033 participants are enrolled in a Master of Advanced Studies (MAS) programme, while 3,966 study for a diploma or a Certificate of Advanced Studies (DAS/CAS). In total, 4,999 people were enrolled in a CAS, DAS or MAS programme. An additional 7,725 people attended a continuing education specialist course or seminar.

12,724 people chose to expand their knowledge

The Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts continues to rank among the leading universities of applied sciences when it comes to continuing and executive education.

Full range: hslu.ch/continuing-education

Research

A highly valued research and service partner

	2022	2021	2020
New projects	348	403	378
funded through Innosuisse or SNSF	71	94	88

348 new research projects

In 2022, 348 research and development projects were initiated. Among the notable external funders were Innosuisse, the Swiss National Science Foundation SNSF, the Federal Government and a range of EU programmes. 280 new research projects were launched with the help of external funding from partners in Switzerland and abroad. The revenue generated through research was roughly CHF 65 million.

Full list of research projects: hslu.ch/research

Employees

The HSLU – a major employer

Employees by category (one day/week minimum)

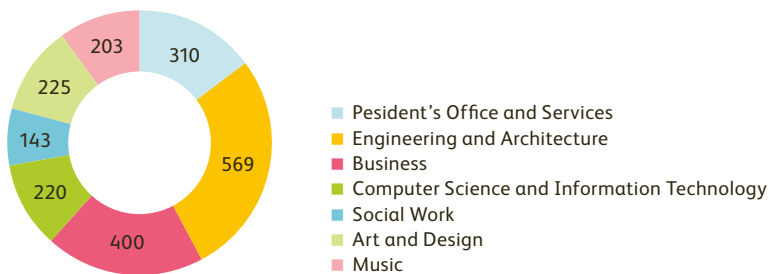
Professors and lecturers	869
Assistants and research associates	621
Administrative and technical staff*	580

2,070
Employees

With its 2,070 employees, the HSLU ranks among the 15 largest employers in Central Switzerland. The number of employees (expressed in full-time equivalents) was 1,661. Women accounted for 44 % of employees.

All employees are listed in the people finder: hslu.ch/employees

Employees by organisational unit



Organisation of the Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts



For the HSLU's organisation chart, visit:
hslu.ch/about-us

*including apprentices and interns

Finances

Education is the largest branch

Income	315,632
Spending	314,927

28 % funded by the contributing cantons

(In 1,000 CHF)

The Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts reports a turnover of CHF 316 million.

Full financial statement: hslu.ch/annual-report

Net income by area of mandated activity

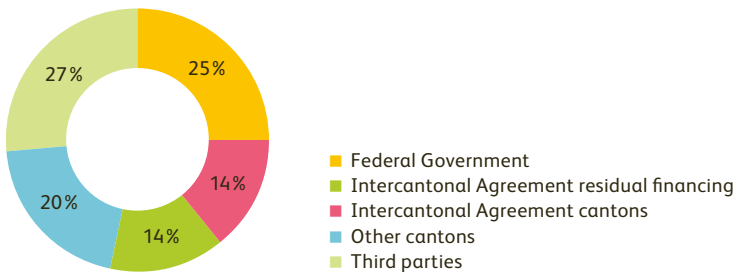
						Total
2022	198,823	31,961	64,960	7,370	12,518	315'632
2021	196,249	32,623	60,381	7,625	11,617	308'494
2020	178,344	29,263	56,232	7,348	22,219	293'406

■ Education
 ■ continued and executive education
 ■ research and development
 ■ services
 ■ other* (in 1,000 CHF)

*2020 incl. SERI investment funding for the School's new building on the "Kampus Südpol" in Kriens

The Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts is active in the four mandated areas of activity that are education, continuing and executive education, research and development, and services. Education was the most important source of revenue. Revenue generated from room rental and IT services for third parties cannot be attributed to a specific area of mandated activity.

Funding



The Swiss Confederation funds the Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts with basic contributions for education programmes and research funding (Innosuisse, Swiss National Science Foundation SNSF). The Intercantonal Agreement financing encompasses contributions for bachelor's and master's students residing in the six contributing cantons (14 %) and the Intercantonal Agreement residual funding (14 %).



47%



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