



Faculty of Philology



For the Faculty of Philology of Vilnius University, 2024 was a year of significant achievements, challenges and the beginning of strategic changes. After discussing and approving the new Faculty Activity Plan for 2024–2026, we started to implement its objectives: renewal of study programmes with a focus on contemporary student demands, cost-effectiveness and internationalisation; strategic research management; active and targeted communication; and strengthening of relations with international and social partners. This has already led to substantial improvements in the Faculty's budgetary planning.

The past year has been marked by a number of important scientific achievements. The Faculty's researchers were awarded prestigious international and national awards, successfully completed international research projects, and their books and publications have appeared in journals and publishing houses of worldwide recognition (Oxford University Press, Routledge, De Gruyter, Wiley, SAGE, etc.). We are proud of our active involvement in international academic initiatives and interdisciplinary research, in which we are able to play a leading role, our growing collaboration with the best European and world universities. Last year, a very important collaboration was established with the Sorbonne University of Paris and the Collège de France, funding was obtained to further develop a strategic partnership with the University of Hamburg in Germany, and a new collaboration was launched with the Jawaharlal Nehru University in New Delhi. The intensity of international cooperation is reflected in the significant increase in mobility of academic staff: a record number of Erasmus+ visits within the entire Vilnius University, an increasing use of Faculty mobility funds.

During 2024, we started to comprehensively upgrade or develop new study programmes and/or their modules: in one year, 7 programmes and special modules were upgraded or newly created, 2 of them taught in English for international students. Particular attention has been paid to the communication of the Faculty's activities, to a much more active and professional promotion of studies, and to cooperation with gymnasiums. At the same time, we are intensifying student counselling and mentoring. Faculty's Study Department has been reorganized in order to improve the efficiency of the study administration.

The Faculty community has continued to develop activities of key importance for the dissemination of science, including high-level international and national scientific conferences, topical academic debates and public lectures. The Faculty has also been active in the media and has contributed to cultural education in Lithuania and abroad. Furthermore, alumni, patrons and social partners have become more involved in the Faculty's activities and their communication. The most significant achievement of this collaboration was the establishment of a sub-fund named after Prof. J. Kazlauskas (EUR 140 000) by the VU Foundation, funded by the patrons Romualdas and Eglė Danieliai, with the aim of promoting the Faculty's scientific activities.

These accomplishments demonstrate a consistent advance, as we are nurturing a contemporary, globally connected, interdisciplinary and creative community in the humanities.

Prof. Dr Mindaugas Kvietkauskas, Dean

KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

Areas of research interest

The Faculty's research interests encompass linguistics, literary studies, and interdisciplinary research, including Lithuanian studies, Baltic studies, various European and world languages and research of cultures.

Study portfolio in 2024

	Bachelor studies	Master studies
Total number of programmes implemented	13	10
Double-diploma programmes	-	1
Programmes implemented in a foreign language	8	5
Number of new programmes	1	-
	Doctoral studies	
Number of science fields	1 (Philology)	

The figures for the study programmes are based on the data of 1 October.

Number of employees, students, and graduates in 2024

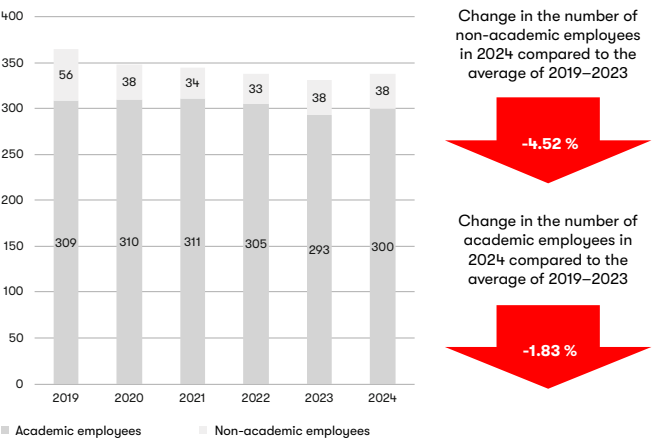


Number of foreign nationals employed in 2023–2024

	Academic employees	Non-academic employees	Total
2024	44	0	44
2023	40	0	40

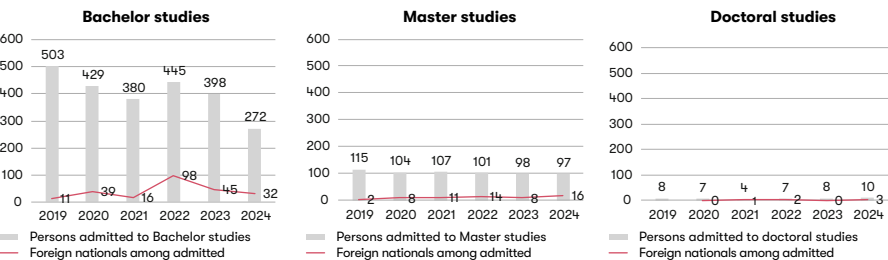
Based on the data of 31 December.

Changes in the number of employees, 2019–2024



Based on the data of 31 December.

Admissions to studies, 2019–2024

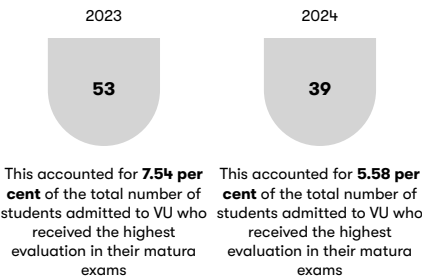


Change in the number of admitted persons by study cycle in 2024 compared to the average of 2019–2023



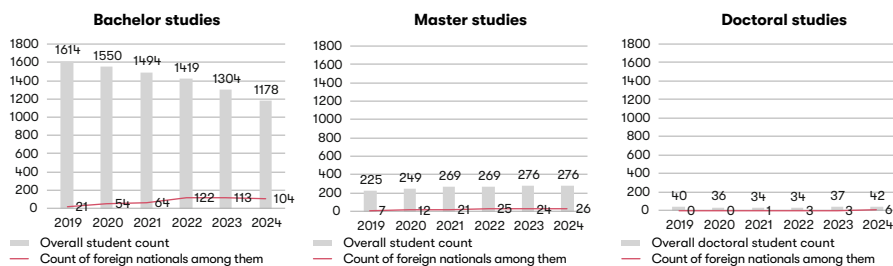
The first cycle and the second cycle indicators were calculated on the basis of the data of 1 October, and the third cycle indicators were calculated on the basis of the data of 31 December.

Number of admitted students who received the highest evaluation in their matura exams in 2023–2024



Based on the data of 1 October.

Number of students, 2019–2024

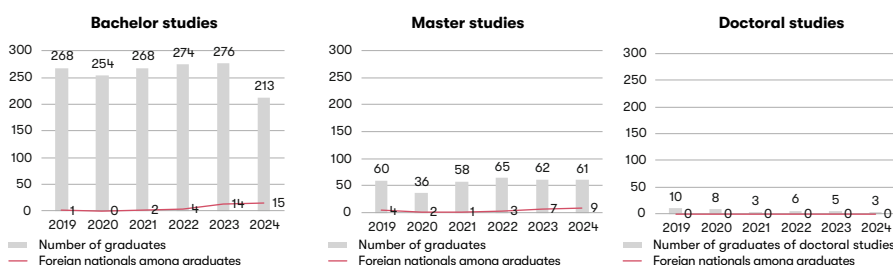


Change in the number of students by study cycle in 2024 compared to the average of 2019–2023



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Number of graduates, 2019–2024

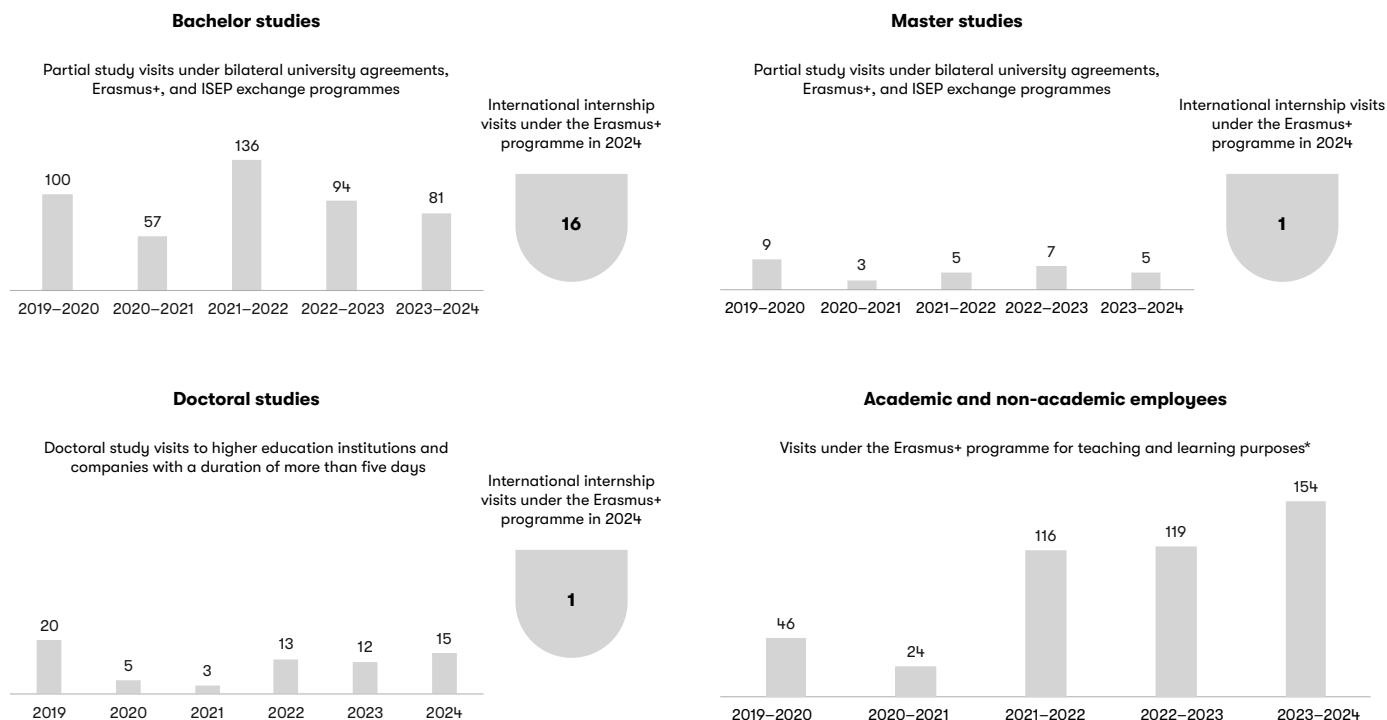


Change in the number of graduates by cycle in 2024 compared to the average of 2019–2023



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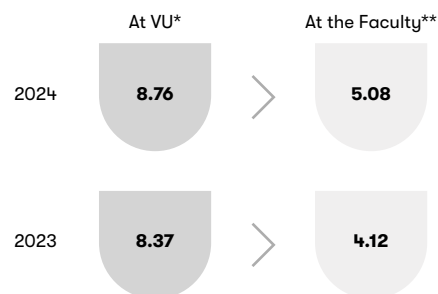
Mobility of students, doctoral students and employees, 2019–2024



Based on the data of 31 December.

*The statistics on employee mobility do not include secondments and work placements carried out under mobility forms and programmes other than Erasmus+.

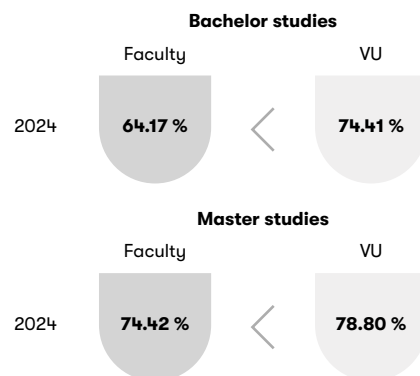
Student–faculty ratio, 2023–2024



* Calculated by dividing the total number of VU students in the first cycle, second cycle, integrated, and professional (pedagogy) studies on 1 October by the total number of VU teaching staff on 31 December.

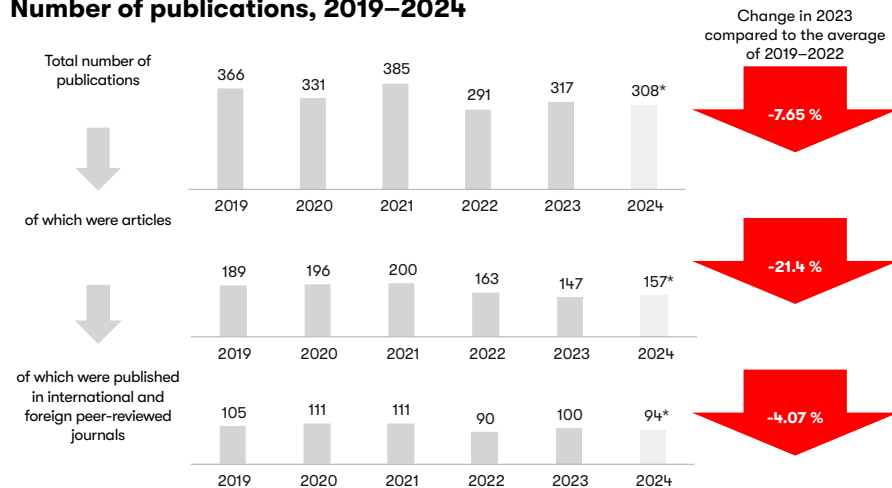
** Calculated by dividing the total number of Faculty students in the first cycle and second cycle on 1 October by the number of Faculty teaching staff on 31 December.

Graduate career success in 2024



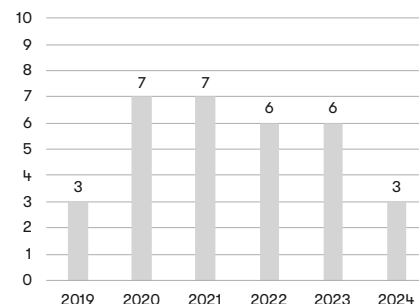
Target outcome → the level of highly qualified graduates and/or graduates continuing their studies in a higher cycle growing at least 1 per cent annually, but no lower than 60 per cent. Based on the data of 1 October.

Number of publications, 2019–2024



* The publication figures for 2024 are based on the data of 10 February 2024 and are not exhaustive, as the registration of publications was still ongoing at that time. The publication figures for 2024 are not included in the calculations.

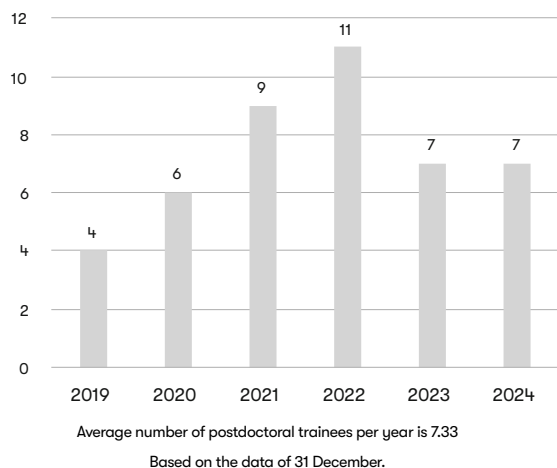
Successfully defended dissertations, 2019–2024



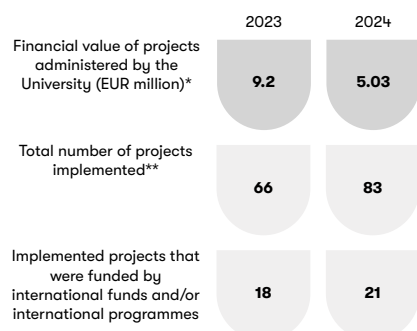
The total number of successfully defended dissertations during the period of 2019–2024 is 32

Based on the data of 31 December.

Number of postdoctoral trainees at the University, 2019–2024



Projects, 2023–2024



* The value of projects implemented in a given year is presented.

** The total number of projects include projects whose activities were in the implementation phase during the given year. In the case of internal partnership at VU, i.e. when several faculties participated in one project, the project was accounted only once and assigned only to the unit that owned the project.

Key projects in 2024

Iš naujo apibrėžiant mūsų supratimą apie būtį ir kalbą. Dialektiniai žaidimai ir būties reikšmės Antikoje (Resetting Our Understanding of Being and Language. Dialectical Games and the Meanings of Being in Antiquity)

The value of the project amounts to EUR 158,616.45. The project is funded by the Recovery and Resilience Facility Plan 'Naujos kartos Lietuva' ('Lithuania of a New Generation') (Project No. 10-036-T-0011). Project manager – Researcher Dr Luca Gili (fellowship supervisor – Assoc. Prof. Dr Vilius Bartninkas).

Mental HEALTH 4 ALL: Development and Implementation of a Digital Platform for the Promotion of Access to Mental Healthcare for Low Language Proficient Third-Country Nationals in Europe

The value of the project administered by the University is EUR 105,944.98. The project is funded by the European Commission under the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF) programme (Project No. 101038491). Project manager – Prof. Dr Nijolė Maskaliūnienė.

Lietuvių kalbos priesaginių daiktavardžių darybinis produktyvumas Jungtinio tekstyno duomenimis (Derivational Productivity of Lithuanian Suffixed Nouns in the Joint Corpus of Lithuanian)

The value of the project amounts to EUR 99,140. The project is funded by the Research Council of Lithuania under the State Lithuanian Studies and Dissemination Programme 2016–2024 (Project No. S-LIP-22-61). Project manager – Prof. Dr Jurgis Pakerys.

Didžiojo lietuvių kalbos garsyno sukūrimas (LIEPA-3) (Creation of the Great Lithuanian Linguistic Speech Corpus (LIEPA-3))

The value of the project administered by the University is EUR 1,857,211. The project is funded by the Recovery and Resilience Facility Plan 'Naujos kartos Lietuva' ('Lithuania of a New Generation') (Project No. 02-023-K-0001). Project manager – Research Prof. Dr Gražina Korvel.