Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul (UFRGS) is a publicly funded federal research university. UFRGS is the largest research-driven university in southern Brazil, comprising four campuses in Porto Alegre and a new campus in Tramandaí. UFRGS has consistently figured among the top universities in the country both in education and research. The University hosts several R&D facilities and labs, including an agronomic research station; a network of technology incubators; a high performance computing center; academic museums; a Veterinary Hospital fostering research, education and clinical residency programs, and a leading research and education Hospital - Hospital de Clínicas de Porto Alegre (HCPA).

The university is organized into 28 faculties, institutes, and schools where research underpins high quality education in Arts, Humanities, and Languages; Physical and Earth Sciences, Health Sciences and Medicine, Applied Social Sciences, Agricultural and Veterinarian Sciences, Engineering, Computer Science, Biological Sciences and Multidiciplinary Studies.

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The multiple programs and research activities promoted by Universidade Federal do Rio Grande Sul represent our commitment toward the sustainable development of our society. Throughout history, the university has decisively contributed for the development of government institutions, businesses, arts and culture in our country. UFRGS is a leading university in Latin America, fostering a wide range of research fields, a talented, inclusive and diverse community who delivers leading edge education, research and innovation to the benefit of humanity.

UFRGS – Excellence in Education

UFRGS ranks among the top Brazilian Research Universities in the National Ranking of University Courses, organized by the National Research Institute of Studies and Education Anísio Teixeira
Research at UFRGS

The University hosts an expressive number of research initiatives and activities: 5,300 ongoing research projects, 2,500 faculty, 480 research labs, and 870 research groups registered in the National Research Council CNPq (Conselho Nacional de Desenvolvimento Científico e Tecnológico). The university offers 87 Master of Science (by Research) Programs, 81 PhD Programs and 14 Professional Master Programs.

Over 600 faculty members hold Advanced Research Fellowships from the Brazilian Research Council CNPq. Some of the country most cited researchers are members of our faculty. University members have published over 9,000 papers in 2014-2016, according to Scopus and Web of Science.

Innovation at UFRGS

The Office of Technological Development (SEDETEC) promotes the interaction between the university, government and industry supporting cutting-edge technological development and innovation. SEDETEC manages the university intellectual property and technology transfer contracts and agreements, and the University’s entrepreneurial development programs and initiatives.

ZENIT - Network of Incubators

Zenit is the university Science and Technology Park that leverages the connections between the university research, innovation and entrepreneurship system with society’s organizations. Zenit also fosters innovative technologies, products and services.

The university currently runs five technology incubators:

- CEI – Center for Entrepreneurship in Informatics
- IECBiot – Biotechnology Entrepreneurship Incubator
- HÉSTIA – Engineering and Physics Incubator
- ITACA – Food Technology and Agro-Industrial Incubator
- TCP – Popular Cooperatives Incubator

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UFRGS runs an Entrepreneurship Program, which aims to provide entrepreneurial and innovative experience to the students’ academic life. By means of several initiatives, the Entrepreneurship Program facilitates the relationship between University, industry, and society. The program offers specialized knowledge and enables partnerships between academics, public and private organizations.

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