

Carl von Ossietzky
Universität
Oldenburg

Open to New Approaches



“We must make science
humane once more.”

Nobel Peace Prize laureate Carl von Ossietzky (1889 – 1938)



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The Carl von Ossietzky University of Oldenburg was founded in 1973. Its mission is to find answers to the key challenges society faces in the 21st century – through interdisciplinary, cutting-edge research and teaching. Its academic and administrative staff work hand in hand and across disciplines. Many are integrated into the University’s numerous research structures, which include Collaborative Research Centres, research groups, European projects and European Clusters of Excellence.

The University collaborates closely with more than 200 other universities worldwide and also maintains strong

ties with non-university institutions active in research, education, culture, business and industry. Its status as a key research location is reinforced by its being home to the Helmholtz Institute for Functional Marine Biodiversity, a Max Planck Research Group and three Fraunhofer research institutes as well as a virtual Helmholtz institute.

The University prepares approximately 16,000 students for professional life in a wide range of disciplines, from the humanities and cultural studies, economics, law and social sciences to mathematics, computer science, the natural sciences and medicine..

The University of Oldenburg

- is a nationally and internationally renowned research location
- is dedicated to future-oriented research and places particular emphasis on interdisciplinary collaboration
- is conducting research on how to improve the communication situation of people with hearing impairment in its „Hearing4all“ project, a „Cluster of Excellence“ in the Excellence Initiative by the German federal and states governments
- campaigns for research-oriented teaching and learning
- provides plenty of space for lateral thinking and personal development
- supports young researchers with its Graduate Academy
- is one of the top six EXIST Entrepreneur Universities
- is transcending borders in medical education with its European Medical School Oldenburg-Groningen
- is the pioneer of the “open university“ in Germany and is paving the way for new target groups to gain access to university education

Key Research Areas

Environment and Sustainability

Focus Topics:

Biodiversity and
Marine Science

Sustainability

Future Energies

Humans and Technology

Focus Topics:

Hearing Research

Cooperative Critical Systems

Neurosensory Science

Health Care and
Patient-Centredness

Society and Education

Focus Topics:

Diversity and Participation

Participation and Education

Professionalisation Processes
in Teacher Education

Social Transformation and
Subjectivation

founded in **1973**

6 faculties

16,000 students including

1,400 international students from more than

50 countries

2,500 employees

224 million euros annual budget

81 million euros in external funding and special funds

Status: 2019

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