UFRGS is located in Porto Alegre, capital of Rio Grande do Sul. Having Uruguay and Argentina as neighbors; Rio Grande do Sul has a strategic position in MERCOSUL a region that encompasses 60% of all Latin American economy.
The city was founded in **1742** by immigrants from the Azores region (Portuguese immigrants).

Since the 19th century, Porto Alegre has been receiving immigrants, particularly from Europe (Germans and Italians), which were of decisive importance, influencing architecture and cuisine, among other cultural aspects.

- Products of the rich agriculture and livestock such as soybeans, leather, canned food, meats, and rice are exported to several countries.

- Its population is about **1,500,000** inhabitants.
The Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul (UFRGS), was founded in 1934 as a result of a gathering of independent schools and institutes that were created in the 19th and 20th centuries.
- Over **30,000 students**, distributed among **98** undergraduate programs
- **17,411 graduate students** enrolled in **90** programs (38 have ranked 6/7 by CAPES)
- **2,702** professors
- **932** research groups **2,065** undergraduate research students **2,365** researchers
- **QS World University Ranking 2019**: UFRGS is Top 20 in Latin America and 7th in Brazil.

- **Webometrics 2019**: UFRGS is the 34th best in BRICS, 7th in Latin America and the 5th in Brazil.

- **ARWU 2018**: ranking Shanghai – UFRGS is the 6th best in Brazil, in the range 401-500.

- **IGC/MEC 2017**: top university in Brazil – UFRGS has been indicated as the best Brazilian university among the public federal universities evaluated in the general courses index (IGC), released in 2018 by the Ministry of Education.
- 32 Specialized Libraries
- Seven University Restaurants
- Hospital (HCPA)
- Veterinary Hospitals, among other facilities
- Experimental Agronomic Centre
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On-town Campuses

UFRGS comprises four on-town campuses
North Coast Campus

UFRGS have one off-town campus
GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS IN A WIDE RANGE OF DISCIPLINES

- Agrarian sciences
- Biological sciences
- Engineering
- Exacts and earth sciences
- Health sciences
- Human sciences
- Languages, Linguistics and Arts
- Applied Social Science
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ACADEMIC UNITS
932 research groups in all disciplines promote creative findings and scientific innovation.
UFRGS

PARTNERSHIP

ALL OVER THE WORLD

Partnership with over 34 countries and 276 Institutions all over the world.
In 2018 UFRGS welcomed **338 international students**.

In 2018 **152 students went abroad** as part of exchange programs.
1653 Outgoing academic staff mobility in 2018

364 Print Partners
Welcome Ceremonies

The international Office organizes welcome ceremonies for our international students and many other integration events.
BUS TOUR

Partnership with the city hall