

“What’s in UP University” for professors and lecturers?

There are **significant advantages** for teaching staff, especially when they actively engage within the UP University network, which offers a varied educational offer. The network will make collaborating internationally easier, from small scale projects to larger schemes, through easier access to a close-knit European network.

Teaching Staff can become part of a European inter-university space. They can help shape the educational future of Europe with international colleagues.

1. Teaching staff will have access to different kinds of expertise and pedagogies

- Within UP University it will become possible to collaborate with peers from different educational traditions (research-intensive vs. applied learning).
- Innovative teaching methods can be easily shared, including digital pedagogy, problem-based learning, and interdisciplinary approaches through staff exchange and UP Academy.
- All teaching staff will have access to the Competency Framework for Responsible Living for the Next Generation.

2. Joint curriculum development and involvement in thematic groups will become more accessible

- Teaching staff will be able to co-create courses, modules, micro credentials, or full programmes with partners across Europe.
- Through networking within UP University, lecturers can enrich teaching materials with international case studies and examples.
- Connect with researchers across institutions and bring current research into your teaching.

3. Professional development opportunities

- Participate in UP Academy training sessions, workshops, and (teaching) staff weeks.
- Teaching staff can participate in benchmarking and job shadowing: exposure to best practices in different areas of expertise, but also inclusive teaching, digital transformation, and skills related to Responsible Living.

4. Mobility and exchange

- UP University teaching staff can participate in teaching stays, virtual or physical, at partner institutions.
- Experience different classroom cultures and educational systems.
- Collaborate online (e.g. COIL)

5. Increased visibility and impact

- Teaching staff can showcase their teaching innovations and content across a larger network.
- Teaching staff can help promote UP University student exchange and collaboration.

6. Contribution to strategic goals

UP University can help shape European education through including teaching staff in this transformative movement toward a more integrated and resilient European Higher Education Area.

UP University can be used to expand your classroom, professionalise, and broaden teaching impact and innovate across borders.