

## INFO ABOUT AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY OF TIRANA

### Background Information

*Agricultural University of Tirana (AUT)* , is the only center of university training, postgraduate, research, training and extension in the field of agriculture and food (Agronomy, Horticulture and Plant protection, Agricultural Economics and Policy, Agro-Environment and Ecology, Agrifood Technology, Business Husbandry and Livestock, Aquaculture and Fisheries Management, Forest Engineering, Wood Processing and Veterinary Medicine, etc..)

Created on November 1, 1951 as Senior Agricultural Institute, with the status of a University, in 1991 was renamed the Agricultural University of Tirana (AUT).

It is unique university campus in Albania, located on a wooded hill in the north-western outskirts of Tirana, only 7 km from the city center.



**Mission:** *Agricultural University of Tirana* mission is professional education and research in the field of agriculture, food and environment. Its mission is related to the formation of agricultural development towards modern agriculture and ensuring healthy food and quality. Achieving this major objective focuses on producing and distributing enough needed, high quality agricultural products and livestock, careful management of land, water, air and harmonious use of space functions green and blue.

**Vision:** *Agricultural University of Tirana* aims to become the most Excellent centers, the largest of university education, postgraduate, research and training for professional training of specialists in the field of agriculture, food and environment. Combining education with high-

level research, it requires not only prepare qualified specialists, but also responsible citizens in the service of society, particularly rural development, sustainable agriculture, agro etc.. AUT should see themselves as part of a broad international perspective, revealing their individuality in language and culture.

### **AUT Scientific Research**

At AUT scientific research is deemed to be part and parcel (lifeline) of the academic life. It is also considered to be a contribution that is expected of the university towards the development for Albanian agriculture. The main fields of research are the following: applied biological sciences; agriculture and environment; forestry sciences, welfare of animals and consumers, biotechnology and food, economic sciences and agribusiness etc.

Currently, AUT has implemented 54 programs of study in the areas of agricultural engineering, agro-environment engineering, economics and agribusiness, agro engineering, forest engineering, wood processing, and veterinary medicine. It has established cooperation with different universities in Europe and USA, through this cooperation, AUT aims diploma recognition and equalization and also joint scientific research projects in the field of environment and agriculture. AUT participates in many national and international projects of EU, including FP6 and FP7 programs, TEMPUS, World Bank projects, and many bilateral projects

AUT is made up of the following 5 principal faculties and a subsidiary: Faculty of Agriculture and Environment, Faculty of Economy and Agribusiness, Faculty of Bio-Technology and Food, Faculty of Forestry Sciences, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and the Lushnja-based Subsidiary.

### **Faculty of Agriculture and Science**

*“The direction we are heading off in life through studies at this faculty is pretty significant”*

The Faculty of Agriculture and Environment is composed of the following departments:

Department of Plant Production  
Department of Animal Production  
Department of Agro-environment  
Department of Horticulture and Landscape Architecture  
Department of Plant Protection  
Department of Aquaculture and Fishery Management



## **Faculty of Economy and Agribusiness**

*“We are on the look-out for new talents and bright students”*

The Faculty of Economy and Agribusiness is composed of the following departments:

- Department of Agribusiness Management
- Department of Economy and Rural Development
- Department of Finance –Accounting
- Department of Mathematics and Informatics
- Department of Rural Tourism Management



### **Faculty of Biotechnology and Food**

*“At this faculty you will be able to fully comprehend the issue of food and how to make it fit for consumption for the consumers”*

The Faculty of Biotechnology and Food is composed of the following departments:

Department of Agro-food Biotechnology  
Department of Biology-Chemistry  
Centre of Food Research

### **Faculty of Forestry Sciences**

*“We undertake to prepare you for tomorrow”*

Departments:

Forestry Department  
Department of Wood Processing Industry

### **Faculty of Veterinary and Medicine**

*“This faculty discover the values and potential hidden inside you”*

Departments:

Department of Morpho-Functional Subjects  
Department of Veterinary Public Health

**OTHER SERVICES AT THE UNIVERSITY LEVEL**

**Scientific library**

**The Experimental Didactic Economy (EDE)**

**Laboratory of Aquaculture and Didactic Economy in Tapiza**

**Laboratory of Plant Protection**

**Centre of Genetic Bank (Gen Bank)**

**Centre for Food research**

**Wood Processing Workshop**

**University Veterinary Clinic**

**Bookstore**