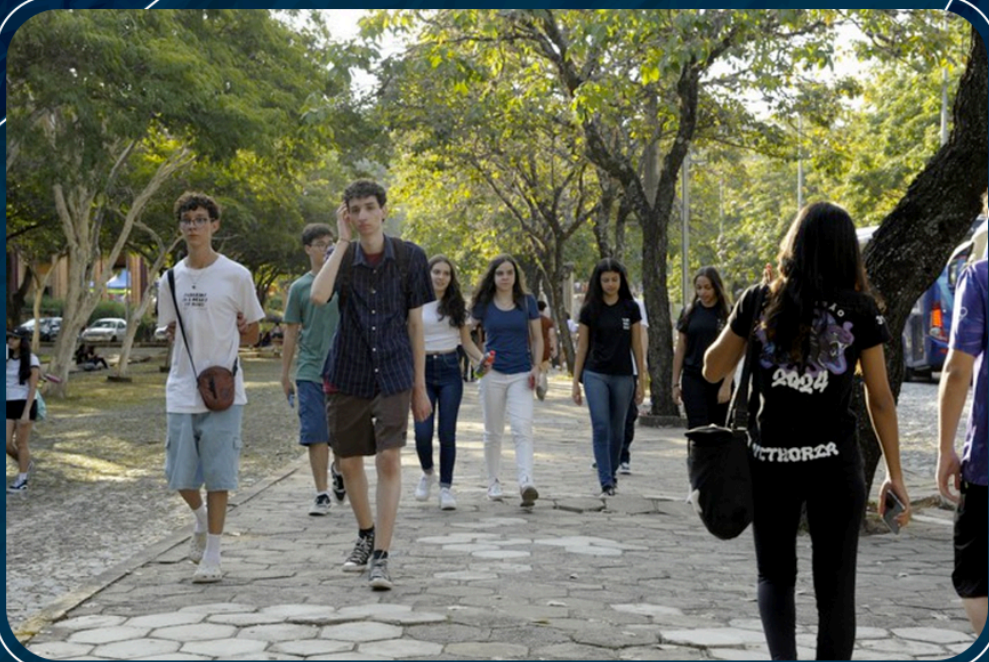


## QS World University Ranking

According to the latest QS World University Rankings: Latin America and The Caribbean 2025, UFMG outperformed 97% of institutions in the region. The ranking was assessed at 437 universities from 23 countries, confirming the university's consistent upward trajectory. UFMG ranked 17th in 2020, 15th in 2021, 16th in both 2022 and 2023, and reached 14th place in 2024. According to Professor Dawisson Belém Lopes, responsible for UFMG's Office for Institutional Data, this ranking is one of the most traditional—published annually since 2004—and applies a highly selective cutoff criterion. “To be included on this list, an institution must have at least 1,000 articles published in the Scopus database over the past five years. Being part of it is already an achievement,” remarked the director. UFMG performed above its overall ranking in the 2025 edition in the fields of Law (201–250), Education (251–300), Arts and Humanities (301–400), and Life Sciences (501–600). Dawisson adds that in the fields of Sports Sciences, Architecture, and Veterinary Medicine, the University ranks among the top 25% of institutions worldwide. In her statement, UFMG's president expressed gratitude to the entire university community for their contributions to this achievement and their unwavering commitment to public education, research, and outreach of excellence at UFMG.



## Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais wins award on Science and Technology

Researchers from UFMG secured first place in two of the five categories at the 17th Mercosul Science and Technology Award, which focused on the theme “Nanotechnology Applied to Health.” Professor Frederic Jean Georges Frezard, from the Department of Physiology and Biophysics, won in the Senior Researcher category for his work “Application of Nanotechnology in the Treatment of Neglected and Emerging Infectious Diseases.” Pedro Henrique Dias Moura Prazeres, from the Graduate Program in Pathology, won in the Young Researcher category for his study “Ionizable Lipid Nanoparticle Platform for Cancer Immunotherapy.” These achievements highlight UFMG’s commitment to academic excellence and service to society. The Ministry of Science, Technology, and Innovation (MCTI) and the National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq) announced the award. It is an initiative of the Specialized Meeting on Science and Technology of Mercosur (RECyT) and member countries' science and technology agencies.



## UFMG is recognized as a reference in the International Sports Scenario

The pair of gymnasts, Tamires Rebeca Santos and Lucas Barbosa won the bronze medal at the latest Aerobic Gymnastics World Championship. Associated with UFMG’s Aerobic Sports Gymnastics Project, the duo is also the current mixed pairs champion from the 2022 World Games, held in the United States. These achievements represent an essential part of our academic commitment. According to Professor Sandra Goulart de Almeida, proof of this is the establishment of the Sports and Leisure Commission, which works to develop a sports policy for the University. Through this initiative, we aim to expand public access to our sports facilities, including for the external community. We extend our congratulations to



Professor and coach Kátia Lemos, the project coordinator, Professor Gustavo Pereira Côrtes, the director of the School of Physical Education, Physiotherapy, and Occupational Therapy (EEFFTO), and the entire UFMG community for this outstanding accomplishment!



Photo: Jebs Lima

## UFMG marks its participation at the International Association of Universities in Japan

UFMG's president, Professor Sandra Regina Goulart de Almeida, delivered a lecture at the International Association of Universities (IAU, 2004) conference held in Tokyo last November. This year's theme, "University Values in a Changing World," encouraged participants to reflect on how universities can contribute to addressing urgent global challenges. Professor Sandra was invited to the President's Forum, where she discussed the experience of being called upon to provide swift, efficient, and sustainable responses to pressing issues of equity, equality, and access. The discussion also covered the challenges of university leadership during times of heightened political tensions. It explored ways to restore public trust in academic and scientific contributions from higher education institutions. The forum was moderated by Professor Patrick Deane, Vice-Chancellor of Queen's University Canada.



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## UFMG's president receives an award from the Consular Board of the state of Minas Gerais

The President of the Association of Consular Board of the state of Minas Gerais (AMCC-MG), Mr. Francisco Pontello, Honorary Consul of Trinidad and Tobago, awarded Professor Sandra Regina Goulart de Almeida the Medal and Diploma of Consular Merit 2024. This honor recognizes her leadership in fostering education and research collaborations between Minas Gerais and various citizens, institutions, cities, and nations, promoting sustainable, mutual opportunities for economic, cultural, and social development. Other honorees included: Carlos Henrique Guedes, Army Colonel and Special Advisor to the Government of Minas Gerais; Lindolfo Coelho Paoliello, writer and entrepreneur; Emir Cadar, Honorary Consul of the Syrian Arab Republic in Minas Gerais and Director of Cadar Engenharia; and José Anchieta da Silva, President of the Minas Gerais Commercial and Business Association. At the occasion, our president signed an academic cooperation agreement between UFMG and AMCC-MG focusing on the region's social and cultural development, the agreement aims to create an environment for knowledge exchange and the promotion of joint projects through information sharing, the development of teaching and outreach programs, and the organization of courses, lectures, and workshops.





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## Group Tordesilhas' New Presidency

The Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais (UFMG) took the position of President of the Tordesillas Group. During the XXIII Meeting of Rectors at the University of Minho, professor Sandra Goulart de Almeida was announced as the new president for 2025. The next meeting will be hosted in Belo Horizonte on November 9, 10, and 11, when we will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Tordesillas Group. In professor's Sandra's words "this milestone challenges us to broaden our partnerships while remaining true to the ideals that inspired us at the Group's founding in 2000: fostering opportunities for the shared Iberian history that connects our countries to thrive through partnerships among Brazilian, Portuguese, and Spanish institutions. Despite our differences, we are united by common values—above all, the belief in higher education and science as instruments for building more just, equitable, and respectful societies". The group comprises sixty universities and has nine Doctoral Associations covering distinct fields of knowledge. These groups conduct research, promote seminars and publish together ensuring the cooperation between our institutions.



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