Welcome to
Ton Duc Thang University!

This brochure aims to give you, our colleagues in academia, partners in the business community, and friends around the globe, a brief introduction to one of the fastest developing higher education institutions in Vietnam. It also offers an account of the presence of the university in Ho Chi Minh City, widely recognized as the most dynamic city in Vietnam today. Indeed, life and study at Ton Duc Thang University (TDTU) have become a significantly exciting experience for our students and staffs.

We hope this brochure will start a substantive relationship as we are presenting our efforts to help answer some of the world’s most pressing questions in economic development and social advancement. In fact, as the university has been supporting the development of the Vietnamese society and economy, its accomplishments more and more take on worldly significance as we are more globally integrated. Hence, our university’s orientation “For accomplishment in human development and a society with sustainable, stable growth” is truly applicable for any society anywhere in the world today.

To realize the mission of the university with such orientation, TDTU has seen its graduates, products of its teaching and research programs, become influential leaders on national and regional levels. It would definitely surprise you to learn that our students rank among the best students in Ho Chi Minh City, and in Vietnam. Also, while our graduates have been successful in their career choices, our faculty and researchers have taken on additional roles as advisers to business, industry and national decision makers by sharing their knowledge and expertise to identify pressing issues and offer solutions to important problems.

I hope you find in this brochure something that encourages you to visit and join our exciting journey in higher education.

Again, welcome to Ton Duc Thang University!

President, Professor Le Vinh Danh, Ph.D.
Local location.
Global cooperation
With the strategic location in the economic pulse of Southeast Asia, the S-shaped Vietnam owns the long coastline, abundant natural resources and magnificent scenery which is home to eight World Heritage sites, either natural or cultural. It’s the fascination in location, long-lasting history with plentiful epic milestones, various types of climate from mountains to plains and coastal, and the unique culture with 54 ethnic groups, diverse religions, cultures and backgrounds that bring the experience of enjoyment in Vietnam.

The Vietnamese is described as friendly, sentimental, and hardworking with great love for knowledge and learning, which is one of the basic tenets in the Vietnamese value system.

**HO CHI MINH CITY - A VIBRANT ECONOMIC AND EDUCATIONAL HUB**

Ho Chi Minh City, the largest metropolis in Vietnam, was officially named after Uncle Ho to commemorate the revolutionary leader. The city is situated by the side of the Saigon River towards the northern part of the Mekong River delta and has experienced the history of more than 300 years.

Speaking of Ho Chi Minh City and its neighborhood, people often think of a diverse metropolis where traditional and modern attributes live concurrently. With modern skyscrapers standing by classical Western-style buildings and a youthful energy mixing with spaces of quietness, the fabulous city has been seen as a “must-go” destination for every visitor to Vietnam.

Ho Chi Minh City is an economic and educational hub of Vietnam, which accounts for a large proportion of the Vietnamese economy and is home to many well-known universities of the country.
Founded in 1997, Ton Duc Thang University (TDTU) describes itself as a young yet aspiring and dynamically growing higher education institution in vibrant Ho Chi Minh City and has been known as a public university pioneering the mechanism of full autonomy in the country.

TDTU is building its unique culture and image, which distinguishes itself from other universities in the country. The sense of integration is seen focal to the university where the global mindset makes it different and brings it beyond the local limit!
TDTU - TOUCH THE DREAM OF TRIUMPH AND UNIQUE
Established in 1997

6 campuses

Full autonomy

2nd nationwide

16 faculties

01 college

Diversified training programs:
(40 Bachelor’s programs, 18 Master’s programs, 25 Doctoral programs, 21 Joint-training programs)

Curriculum is adapted from the Top 100 universities in the world

Rank #1 in science and technology development among universities in Vietnam

100% Graduate employability

A young university focusing on the value of true learning, committing to helping students “learn how to learn” in a fast changing globalized world, balancing critical thinking skills with creative ones.
MS. NGUYEN THI DOAN,
Former Vice President of Vietnam

“Ton Duc Thang University students must find a fortune that you are learning here, so you have to take advantage of the opportunity. It must be said that Ton Duc Thang University, from physical education, ethics, to education, professional training, everything is qualified for the standards ...

... In addition to training methods, education quality, training scale, infrastructure, applied scientific research is a highlight. There are many published works,... the model is interesting, Ton Duc Thang University is the ideal one in Vietnam today”.

PROFESSOR FURUTA MOTOO,
Former Deputy Director of The University of Tokyo (Top 10 University in the world) and currently President of the Vietnam-Japan University

“I have stayed for five years in Vietnam and have traveled a lot, but in my opinion, I hadn't found any university which is as good as TDTU until I visited and experienced myself”.

DR. RICHARD FINCHER,
Director of Labor Relationship Institute, Cornell University, United States

“I am very impressed with the way Ton Duc Thang University organized the conference.... The school has been very well prepared from the invitation letter, conference materials, to tea-breaks for the delegates. Everything is taken care by the School in every detail and I am very impressed by that”.
TDTU VALUES
We build...
state-of-the-art facilities for different purposes to best facilitate the researching, learning and training activities

You feel...
passion for teaching, learning, training and research is nurtured
SOLAR POWER SYSTEM installed by the cooperation between TDTU, HCMC Power Corporation and Vietnam Eco Solutions (VES) accounts for 30% of the monthly power consumption of 2 buildings.

BONE DENSITOMETRY LABORATORY is the first university-based specialized lab for intensive research in the medical field and the most modern one in the region.

THE HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING enables TDTU researchers to solve complicated calculation in order to reach the number of at least 820 international publications in ISI journals in the 5-year period (from 2017 to 2021).
INSPIRE LIBRARY was designed by TDTU faculties and students with the concept of Common space for Learning. The building has 7 floors and a basement for self-studying overnight. Each floor has its own decor color and name. The library is divided into specific areas including the area for group study, self-learning, cinema, lounge, studio and specialized areas.

INSPIRE library has been seen as the most modern library in Vietnam so far.
**TDT CREATIVE LANGUAGE CENTER (TDT CLC)** has been established with the goal of creating a modern educational environment, bringing the differences and effectiveness of training programs and the services of non-traditional international education to all learners.

**CONFERENCE HALLS, MEETING ROOMS** are home to hundreds of events, conferences. TDTU is proud to be the host for 30 important international and national conferences in the last 5 years, attracting thousands of international scientists.

**FOUR SEPARATE DORMITORY BUILDINGS** are beautiful architecture which harmonize the campus as a whole and are fully facilitated with minimarts, bookstores, laundry rooms, canteens, etc. Surroundings are the swimming pools, tennis court, basketball court, volleyball court... Besides the fully equipped dorms that facilitate the life of students, the complex can well meet the need of learners for accommodation, studying and relaxing in such a green environment. It’s not only about accommodation, but also the experience during the most beautiful phase of one's lifetime.

**GUESTHOUSES** are fully-equipped to best accommodate the living of visiting professors and partners.
MULTIFUNCTIONAL SPORTS HALL with a modern system of mobile platform chairs and a capacity of 3,000 seats is always available to accommodate national and international tournaments. This complex is of an international standard and has been recognized as one of the best sports training units nationwide.

STADIUM with 7,000 seats and modern lighting of 1,200lux that allows live broadcasts for both national and international competitions is rated 2 stars by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA).

ON-CAMPUS BUS STOP with regular routes makes commuting by bus in the city much more convenient than ever.

CANTEENS AND CAFETERIA are located at the library, down the dormitory, inside the Innovation Building. Those modernly designed, beautifully decorated spots are the right place for every TDTU-ers to relax.
TOP RESEARCH HUB WITH A NEW MODEL OF
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

Various breakthrough science-technology research projects: the only Colorcon Technical Service Laboratory in Vietnam and Southeast Asia supporting human resources training in pharmacy, a smart agricultural experimental garden, a natural product research institute and a state-of-the-art Environmental Monitoring Assessment Center.

TDTU is the first university in Vietnam to be granted seven patents by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), which confirms the research ability and knowledge generation of the university.
TDTU is currently ranked 1st among Vietnamese universities in the number of ISI publications, with more than 60 science-technology research groups, 2 online journals of research in English.

The Journal of Information and Telecommunication (JIT) and the Journal of Advanced Engineering and Computation (JAEC) target to be listed as one of the SCOPUS journals.

The Foundation for Science and Technology Development (FOSTECT) Fund is to sponsor researchers whose outcomes are developed for international patents and publications or applicable to practical life.
PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION
For the Enlightenment of Humanity

MISSION
Education, Research and Creativity for Sustainable Development of Humanity

VISION
To become an excellent research university in the world’s TOP 200 universities

GOAL
For development of humanity in a world of peace and happiness

CULTURE
Quality and Trust

CODE OF CONDUCT
Fairness, Effectiveness and Stability
We build...
an integrating brand with
international accreditation and certification

You feel...
quality and trust
In 2018, TDTU became the first Vietnamese public university to be rated 4 out of 5 stars by the QS Stars. Among the criteria, TDTU was awarded 5 stars for teaching, facilities and internationalization.

In 2018, TDTU was recognized to comply with the French and European standards by the High Council for Evaluation of Research and Higher Education (Hcéres).

In 2018, TDTU was ranked 291-300 in the overall 2019 rankings. TDTU’s ranking in the assessment table shows that the University has been committed and successfully implemented its principal goal to create a quality environment of serious and modern working, teaching and studying, focused on sustainable development and increasingly contributed to the stable and long-term development of Vietnam and the world.

In 2017, TDTU was awarded a quality management system certificate by DNV – GL based on the standards of ISO 9001: 2015 (replacing the ISO 9001:2008 version). This demonstrates the quality and effectiveness of TDTU’s management system and educational operations, research, and internationalization.

In 2017, TDTU was ranked 101-200 in the overall 2019 rankings. TDTU’s ranking in the assessment table shows that the University has been committed and successfully implemented its principal goal to create a quality environment of serious and modern working, teaching and studying, focused on sustainable development and increasingly contributed to the stable and long-term development of Vietnam and the world.

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Environmentally friendly campus certified by Vietnam Federation of UNESCO Associations.

In November 2018, TDTU is ranked 2nd in Vietnam and 1422nd in the world as listed by the World University Ranking by Academic Performance (URAP).

In 2018, TDTU was ranked in the top 200 universities for green environmental and sustainable development and investment by the UI GreenMetric World University Rankings.
PROF. TOMAS RUML,
Dean of Faculty of Food and Biochemical Technology, University of Chemistry and Technology in Prague (Czech Republic)

“The arrangement, everything is organized perfectly and I am also glad… In my opinion, TDTU is a great university. I am impressed with your campus and it is my third time visiting TDTU and I can see gradual changes even in the equipment of the laboratories and my impression is TDTU’s students are very enthusiastic”

MR. BRUNO ANGELET,
Head of Delegation of the European Union to Vietnam

“When we took a campus tour by car I was impressed about the whole campus. The infrastructure is amazing… We gave you the lecture in English and I think the response was very great. Every people speak in English. It is very good.”

MR. VÁCLAV KLAUS,
Chairman of the Czech Republic’s Committee on Science, Education, Culture, Youth and Sports

“The university made a marvelous effort from the zero after 21 years, it’s impressive and TDTU is much better than other schools we saw in Vietnam. If I were a Vietnamese father, I would send my children to study in this university. You are my first choice.”
NGUYEN THI LE KIM,
Faculty of Sport Science

Gold medal winner at World Taekwondo Championship (4 consecutive times), 29th Southeast Asian Games, Indoor sports and 5th Martial Arts Asia, 5th Asian Taekwondo Championships, Gold medal at Asian Taekwondo Championship 2019

NGUYEN THI NGOC CHAU,
Faculty of Applied Sciences

Miss Supranational Vietnam 2018

TRAN MINH TUAN;
LE THI MAY,
Faculty of Information Technology

Paper included in proceedings of the 9th International Conference on Machine Learning and Computing (ICMLC) 2017 which is recognized by ISI

MAI THI THUY
Faculty of Industrial Fine Arts

First runner-up of Asian Shoes Designer 2015
A global mindset brings us beyond the local limits
#3
We build...

a prestigious environment with internationalism and multiculturalism

You feel...

the truly Asian atmosphere internationally by all means
TDTU has developed partnership with more than 150 international universities and institutions from Asia to Europe, North America and Oceania.

TDTU has close connection with more than 500 foreign professors and experts and has welcomed more than 3,300 international students from all over the world.

TDTU is a host of regional and international sports and cultural exchange events, including the 2014 AFC Futsal Championship, 2016 International Martial Arts Festival, 2018 Asian Student Cultural Exchange and other international programs such as the Ship for South East Asian Youth.
TDTU, as a special academic avenue, has also welcomed international leaders and politicians to visit and talk with lecturers and students (Prime Minister of Canada Justin Trudeau; the Chairman of the Committee on Science, Education, Culture, Youth and Sports of the Parliament of the Czech Republic Václav Klaus; Czech Republic President of the senate Mr. Milan Stech; and the Minister for Foreign Trade and Development of Finland Ms. Lenita Toivakka).

TDTU has performed actively in university-industry collaboration with various activities and has been seen as the meeting point of universities - industry - government.