

## **VNUHCM LISTED IN SEVERAL PRESTIGIOUS UNIVERSITY RANKINGS**

**After more than two decades of continuous, thorough and intensive investment, especially in education, research and international publication, VNUHCM has gradually asserted its position in the world. By the end of 2019, VNUHCM was listed in many of the most prestigious regional and global university rankings.**

In 2019, VNUHCM was promoted to the 143rd position in the QS Asia University Rankings, while defending its place in the group of universities ranked from 701st to 750th in the QS World University Rankings (by the education institution of Quacquarelli Symonds - United Kingdom).

The QS World University Rankings is compiled, using six indicators: Academic reputation (40% of the overall score), employer reputation (10%), faculty/student ratio (20%), citations per faculty (20%), international faculty ratio (5%) and international student ratio (5%). Among them, VNUHCM's academic reputation (with the highest weighting) climbed up by 70 notches, landing at 427th place worldwide.

In early September 2019, VNUHCM was placed among the world's top 1001+ universities in the Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2020 (United Kingdom). This is the first time that Vietnam has witnessed its education institutions present in this ranking list. The THE assessment of universities' performance is based on five groups of indicators: teaching (30% of the overall score), research (30%), citations (30%), international outlook (7.5%) and knowledge transfer (2.5%).

In order to make an objective assessment, THE looks at 77.4 million citations in 12.8 million publications, including journal articles released over five years collected by its data supplier Elsevier and its own Academic Reputation Survey, which is aimed to be the most comprehensive and balanced comparison of the quality of universities in the world.

On September 19, 2019, nearly ten days after THE World University Rankings 2020 was released, VNUHCM was also named in the QS Graduate Employability Rankings (QS GER) 2020. VNUHCM is the only Vietnamese representative in the list, taking a place in the world's top 301-500 university group in terms of graduate employability.

The QS GER's assessment of university performance regarding graduate employability outcomes and prospects is comprised of five indicators: Employer reputation (30% of the overall score), alumni outcomes (25%), partnerships with employers per faculty (25%), employer/student connections (10%) and graduate employment rate (10%).

The QS GER 2020 is compiled based on a database of 2,100 universities from 132 countries. Among them, 750 schools are taken into consideration, 680 schools are ranked and 501 schools are named in the list (top 500). According to Assoc. Prof. Dr. Vu Hai Quan, VNUHCM Vice Chancellor, in order for Vietnamese universities to be ranked among the top 100 Asian universities or top 500 universities in the world in the next 10 years, the State needs to adopt several policies essential to provide support to universities.

These policies should focus on prioritizing investment in education and research for universities already listed in the rankings; make a commitment to university autonomy; create favorable conditions to attract and recruit competent lecturers, especially foreigners; and build strong research groups to increase the quantity and quality of researches.