

Holiday and New Year greetings from the School of Education UI



Soon we welcome a New Year with new opportunities. The past year has been eventful and characterized by anticipation and preparation for the School of Education (SoE's) move to a new building, Saga. The purchase of Saga was completed at the turn of the year 2021/2022 and immediately extensive work began to transform a hotel into a university building. The aim was to start a new school year in the autumn of 2024 in Saga. Unfortunately, the move had to be postponed until the spring of 2025. I am extremely grateful to our staff and students who have shown resilience and positivity and worked to solve the challenges that have arisen. The work of the students and staff of the SoE's has been energetic and productive during the past year, which is reflected in our creative teaching and learning environment.

The SoE's research is in great progress, which can be seen, among other things, in the fact that the University of Iceland ranks among the 401-500 best universities in the world in the field of education according to Times Higher Education World University Rankings (THE). SoE's annual conference Menntakvika, which was held for the 28th time this year and for the first time in Saga, was very well attended. There, diverse educational research was presented that touches on most areas of society, e.g. learning and teaching, pedagogy and education, equality, health and well-being, as well as sport, school and leisure activities. These are exciting times for Nýmennt, our newest unit, which continues to flourish. Nýmennt fosters professional development, education and social innovation in the field of education. Emphasis is placed on strengthening cooperation with other school levels, and among the projects that Nýmennt staff participate in are the Primary School Innovation Competition, the Lego Competition, the University Science Train and the Young People's University. In the new year, exciting projects await the staff and students at the School of Education. We look forward to start a new chapter in the history of education together with a wide group of partners inside and outside the University. I wish you all a warm Holiday greeting with hope for a prosperous year ahead.

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SoE UI 2024 in statistics

2564

STUDENTS

728

GRADUATED STUDENTS

77

EVENTS

274

GRADUATED TEACHERS

5

DOCTORAL DEFENSES