

# Higher Agrarian Education in Ukraine. (A06-gibson045217-Oral)

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## Abstract:

Secondary school graduates are admitted to a 4-5 yr university program, while those from 2-3 yr technical programs enter a shortened program, similar to US articulation arrangements with 2-yr programs. A 4 yr B.Sc. is now an alternative or precursor to the standard 5 yr Specialist degree. Higher degrees include Kandidat of Science and Doctor of Science. Universities face lack of funds, aging equipment/facilities, lack of jobs for graduates, and anticipating which competencies graduates will need when the production system is changing so rapidly. Groups of 20-120 students enter a particular specialty in each university each year, and take almost all classes together for 4-5 years. The system is effective at giving uniform, foundational knowledge, but precludes individual selection of courses. The American system encourages more cross-fertilization of ideas and more integrative thinking. Ukraine and FSU countries have productive and innovative scientists and mutual benefits occur when American scientists visit. Those who visit in a teaching role should plan their activities to fit the Ukrainian system of agrarian education.

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