Education is much more than the mere collection and distribution of knowledge. It offers intellectual hospitality, opportunities for innovation, creativity; power of thought and imagination. It envisages development of character and inculcation of a firmness of mind and zeal to offer one's best to the world. Education is the means of unfolding moral and spiritual potentialities of men.

The mission of the Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune, is "To contribute to the socio-economic and ethical development of the nation, by providing high quality education through institutions that have dedicated faculty and state-of-the-art infrastructure, and are capable of developing competent professional and liberal-minded citizens".

With this mission the University has been providing high quality education in the Faculties of Medicine, Dentistry, Allied Medical Sciences, Nursing, Biotechnology & Bioinformatics, Management and distance learning through eight institutions. In each programme the University ensures the provision of high quality education, the pursuit of knowledge and the creation of new ideas.

Though the University started with one constituent unit, i.e. the Medical College in January 2003, it has now eight constituent colleges/institutions offering a variety of programmes. These are as follows:

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Dr. D. Y. Patil Institute of Optometry and Visual Sciences, Pimpri, Pune
Padmashree Dr. D. Y. Patil College of Nursing, Pimpri, Pune
Dr. D. Y. Patil Biotechnology and Bioinformatics Institute, Tathawade, Pune
Global Business School and Research Centre, Tathawade, Pune