KU LEUVEN

International programmes taught in English



KU Leuven. Inspiring the outstanding.



Student life

Leuven is a green city, where parkland, medieval cloisters and bicycles are the norm. The KU Leuven campus is interspersed throughout the city, with students making up about half of the city's 100,000 residents. You can see it in the evening on the Oude Markt, one of Leuven's main public squares, where an uninterrupted line of cafes host students at sidewalk tables. You can hear it in the chimes from the carillon in the tower at the University Library. You can feel it in the many bookstores and cinemas that mark this as the quintessential university city.

Other KU Leuven campuses offer the benefits of life in a larger city. This may be reflected in the dynamism of multilingual Brussels, the relaxed life along the picturesque canals of Ghent, or the eclectic charms of fashion and shipping capital Antwerp. Whichever campus you call home, you will find that locals generally speak English quite well, putting all of Belgium's cultural heritage at your disposal. So whether your tastes run to music and theatre, history and architecture, or perhaps the best waffles, fries, beer and chocolate in the world, Belgium has something for every taste.

Student life comes with its share of tough times too, and KU Leuven provides a variety of resources to help students cope with the stress of studying and living abroad. Every campus has its Stuvo student services centre to help with all aspects of student life, from finding student associations and health insurance to counseling and advice on mental well-being. And the Pangaea international student centre is always there to help you connect with other students, whether through volunteering, catching up at the Meeting Centre, or connecting with a local student through their Buddy Programme.

www.kuleuven.be/life-at-ku-leuven

GET IN TOUCH





Recurring Webinars

Attending one of our webinars is a great way to find out about our University and our English-language programmes. You can also get separate information on admissions, housing, the visa procedure and how to prepare for your arrival at KU Leuven.

www.kuleuven.be/webinars

Bachelor's Fair

- 26 November 2026

This live info fair in Brussels is the perfect place to ask all your questions about our international bachelor's programmes. Our staff and students will answer all your questions about studying in Belgium and KU Leuven, and you can also ask questions about the application procedure.

www.kuleuven.be/bachelors-fair

Webinar Days

- General sessions: 28 January 2027
- Programme specific sessions: 1 - 12 February 2027

The Online Webinar Days will introduce you to KU Leuven and help you discover all that our University offers. You can check out presentations from our various faculties and ask any questions you might have about your desired academic programme. During our chat sessions, you will also find students happy to discuss their experiences living and learning at KU Leuven.

www.kuleuven.be/webinar-days

Student ambassadors

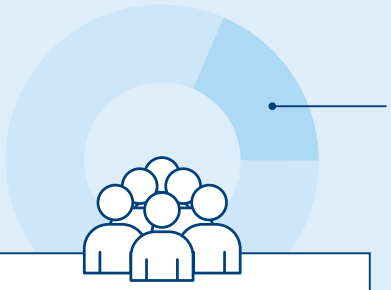
We have students from all over the world who will be happy to tell you about life in Belgium and at KU Leuven. Curious about their experiences? Chat with them!

www.kuleuven.be/studentambassadors

Contact

www.kuleuven.be/english/contact/prospective-student

66,306
students



of which
17,738
are international students

107
PROGRAMMES IN ENGLISH

8 bachelor's
76 master's
23 advanced master's

RANKED AMONGST THE TOP 100 UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD IN ALL GLOBAL RANKINGS

#46 in the Times Higher Education World University Ranking (2026)

#59 in the QS World University Ranking (2027)

#76 in the Academic Ranking of World Universities (2025)



Why choose KU Leuven

KU Leuven has a long tradition of brilliant minds following their curiosity and putting their ingenuity to the test. The University enjoys a world top-50 ranking and a global reputation as a premier academic destination. Our 17,000+ international students can choose from amongst 100 bachelor's and master's programmes taught in English. Classroom material is based on the work of more than 8,000 world-class researchers carrying out cutting-edge work in thoroughly modern facilities.



Remarkably accessible, this invaluable education is made available to just about everyone willing to accept the challenge. Students at KU Leuven pay strike this affordable tuition fees for a university of its calibre. Moreover, KU Leuven generally admits students with the appropriate prerequisite degree and language skill, ensuring that deserving talents from every background have access to a superb education. As a result, students from more than 140 countries now constitute a full 26% of the student body, with no one country dominating the international representation.

This inclusive excellence has transformed the University into a global institution and ensured KU Leuven graduates will be positioned for success throughout the next 600 years.

www.kuleuven.be/why-choose-kuleuven

A comprehensive university

KU Leuven is a comprehensive university that offers degree programmes in all fields of knowledge. Curious about what we have to offer? There's bound to be something in the subjects below that matches your interests and skills. Keep an eye out for interesting topics you might not have considered; our many multidisciplinary programmes touch on more than one field of study and offer new perspectives on an evolving world. Visit our website for an overview of our programmes and to find the full website for each programme.

www.kuleuven.be/internationalprogrammes

BACHELOR'S PROGRAMMES

KU Leuven offers 8 bachelor's programmes taught in English:

- Bachelor of Business Administration
- Bachelor of Business Engineering
- Bachelor of Engineering Technology
- Bachelor of European Studies
- Bachelor of Philosophy
- Bachelor of Theology and Religious Studies
- Bachelor of Biomedical Sciences
- Joint Bachelor in Sustainability*

* KU Leuven is a participating institution in this UNA Europa programme

MASTER'S PROGRAMMES

Humanities and Social Sciences: 37 master's and advanced master's programmes covering the follow subjects:

- Economy and Business
- Education and Pedagogy
- Government and Politics
- History, Arts and Culture
- Language and Communication
- Law and Criminology
- People, Behaviour and Society
- Philosophy and Ethics
- Psychology
- Religion

Science, Engineering and Technology: 56 master's and advanced master's programmes covering the follow subjects:

- Architecture and Urban Development
- Bio, Agro and Environment
- Biotechnology
- Chemistry and Biochemistry
- Computing, Data Science and IT
- Construction and Design
- Engineering
- Natural Sciences
- Living Environment and Sustainable Development
- Mathematics, Statistics and Physics
- Science and Technology

Biomedical Sciences: 7 master's and advanced master's programmes covering the follow subjects:

- Medicine and Health
- Movement and Rehabilitation
- Pharmacy and Medicines

KU Leuven has a global network of partner universities. If your university has an exchange agreement with KU Leuven or you are looking for an Erasmus traineeship, you can join us for a short term stay.



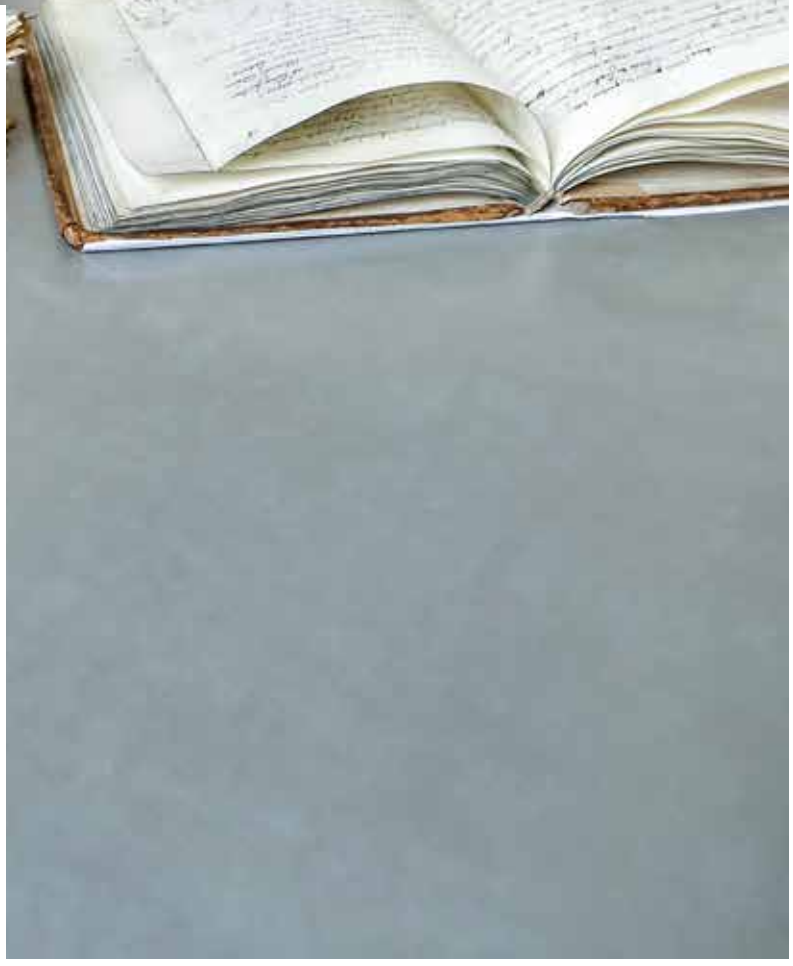
Tuition fees and scholarships

The fees for any individual student are contingent upon their choice of academic programme and the nationality of the student. Check out our tuition fees for your particular programme:

www.kuleuven.be/tuitionfees

Even with affordable tuition fees, many students need extra financial support to pursue their academic goals. To help fill this gap, KU Leuven offers a variety of scholarships for qualifying students. Just as with our tuition fees, these scholarships may be contingent on a student's academic programme or nationality, so be sure to thoroughly check eligibility requirements before applying.

www.kuleuven.be/scholarships



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Practical information

All information for future students is available in one place. You can learn more about programmes, admission requirements, tuition fees, etc.

www.kuleuven.be/prospective-students

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

All students who did not obtain their previous degree at an institution of the Flemish Community must submit an application via the Admissions Office. Every programme at KU Leuven has its own admission criteria. Be sure to check the specific admission requirements (diploma requirements, language requirements and possible additional requirements) for your desired programme on our webpage.

www.kuleuven.be/internationalprogrammes

APPLICATION WINDOW

Our admissions process works on a rolling basis, which means that you may apply at any time after the application round opens. However, the sooner you apply the better. Some programmes have a fixed deadline. Late submission of applications for programmes with fixed deadlines will not be considered. You can find the complete list of programme-specific deadlines on our website. The application round for the 2027-2028 academic year starts on 8 October 2026.

www.kuleuven.be/application-windows

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

The only way to know whether you might be admitted to any of our programmes is by applying and completing the application process. All information on how to apply can be found on our website.

www.kuleuven.be/application

HOUSING

Housing options for students at KU Leuven depend on the city where you will be studying and when you begin your search. In Leuven, the primary choice is between private housing and University residences. Most students choose to rent a student room (a 'kot' in Dutch) in a privately-owned house with shared common spaces and facilities.

The University owns and manages a number of student residences in Leuven, with a limited number of rooms reserved for international students.

Students in Brussel, Ghent and Antwerp need to find housing on the private market. Stuvo housing advisors can help students get a sense of the available housing stock in each of these cities.

www.kuleuven.be/housing

In order to have the best housing options, be sure to start your search well in advance of the upcoming academic year. No matter when you start your search, students need to secure housing in Belgium before they arrive in the country. If you need help with housing issues, Stuvo housing advisors can offer assistance and insight into your housing search before you travel to Belgium.

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