

# STUDY IN BELGIUM

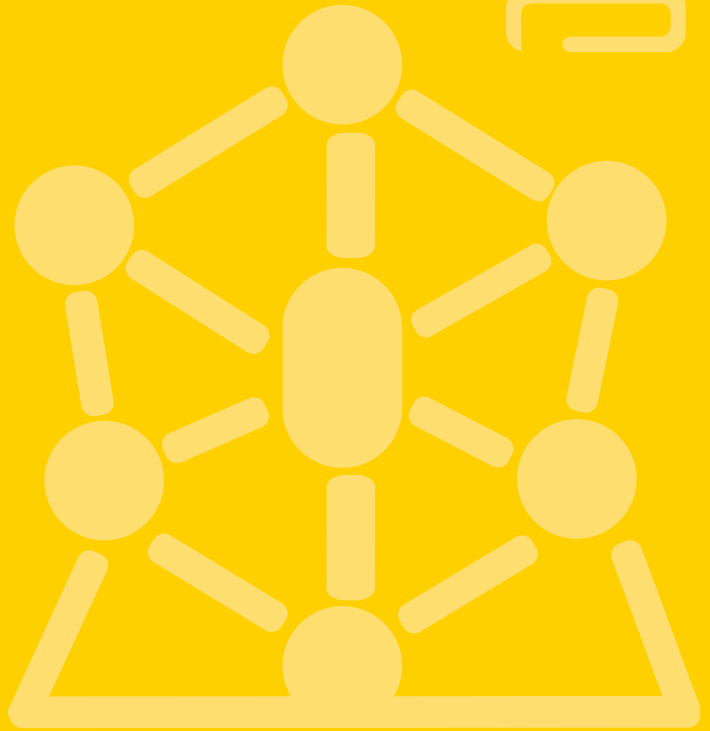
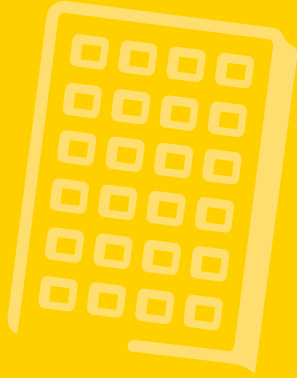
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**MASTERS  
AND PHD  
IN THE HEART  
OF EUROPE**



 [STUDYINBELGIUM.BE](https://www.studyinbelgium.be)

WALLONIE  
BRUXELLES  
CAMPUS



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**LAND OF TRADITION**  
**NEW LIFE EXPERIENCES**

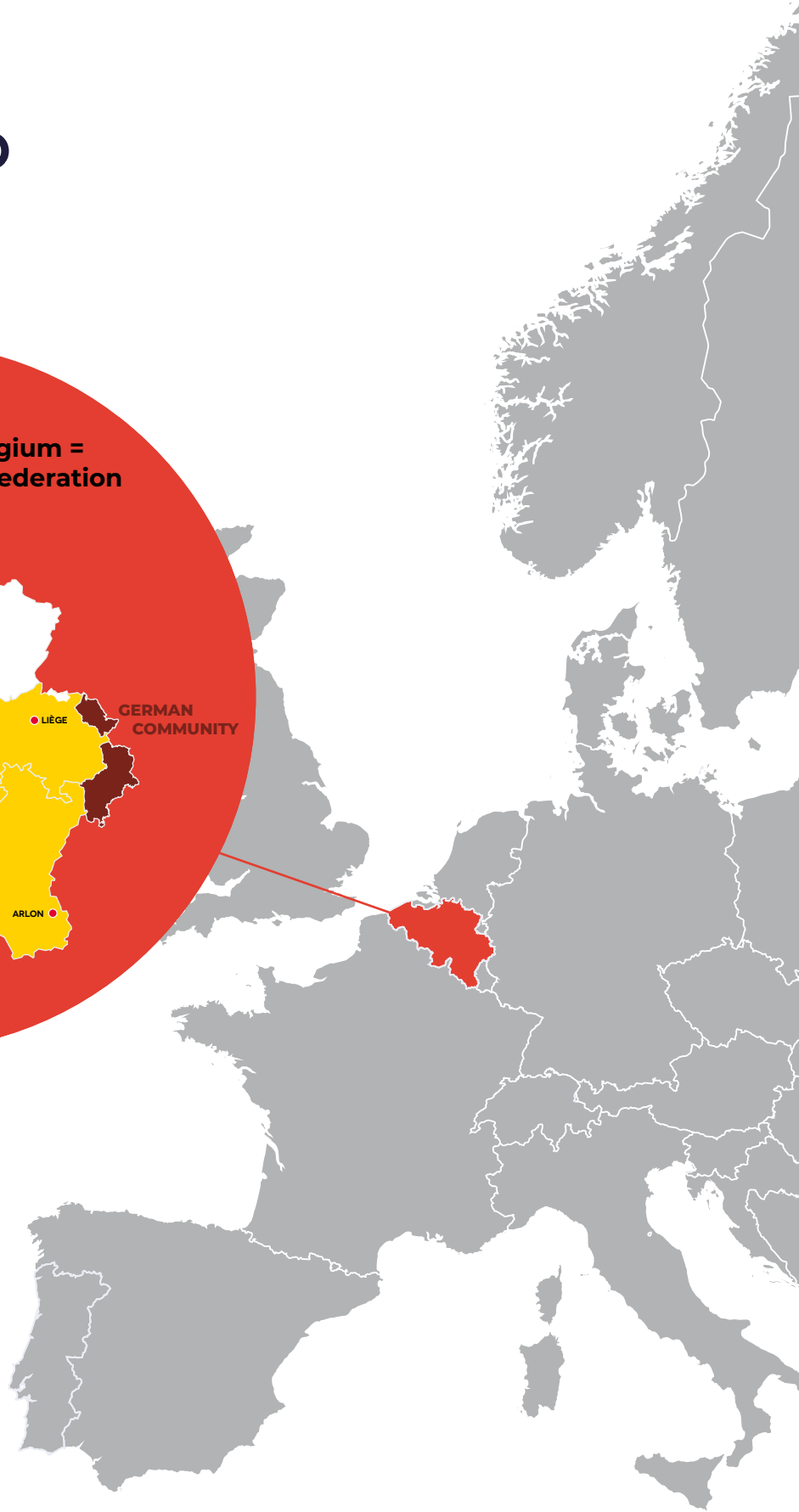
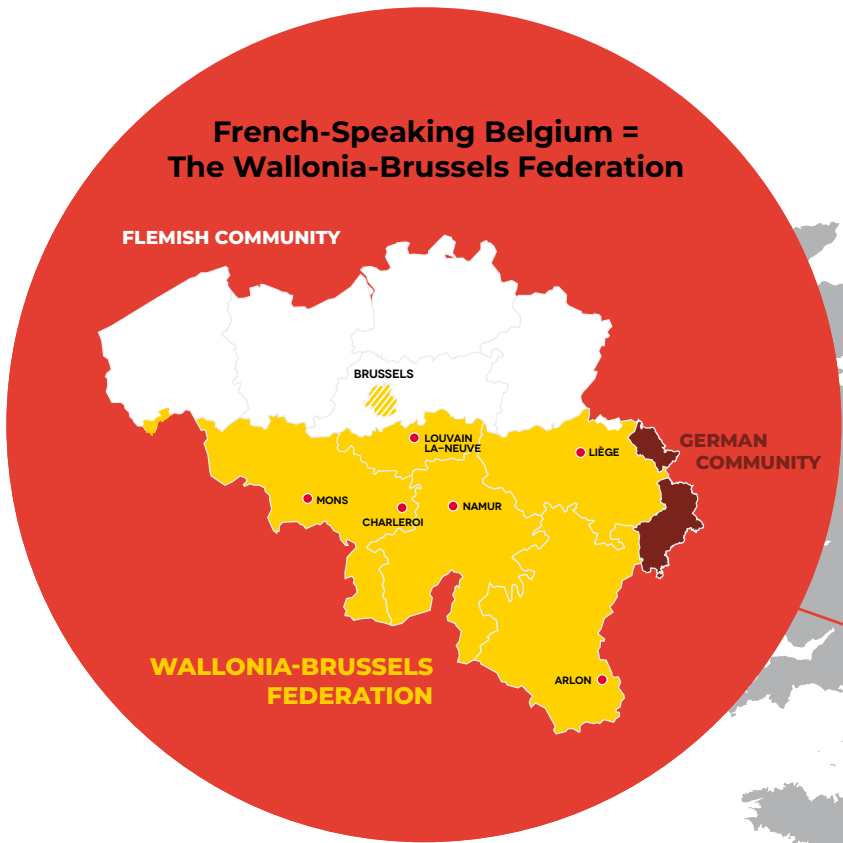
# EMBLEMATIC

# CHOOSE BELGIUM

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# FACTS AND FIGURES




## The Kingdom of Belgium




AREA:  
**30,528 km<sup>2</sup>**



POPULATION:  
Nearly **11,800,000**  
inhabitants



including more than  
**4,700,000**  
in the Wallonia-Brussels  
Federation



FORM OF STATE:  
Federal parliamentary  
constitutional  
**monarchy**



CAPITAL:  
**Brussels**



CURRENCY:  
**Euro (€)**



KING:  
**Philippe**

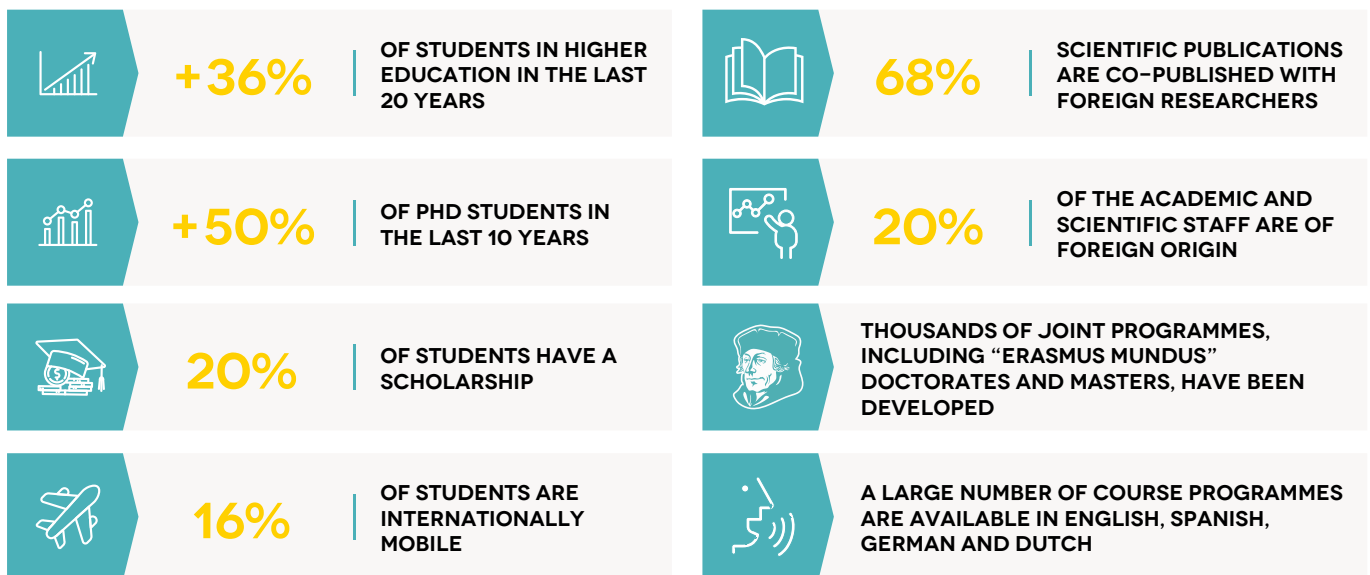


OFFICIAL LANGUAGES:  
**French,**  
Dutch,  
German

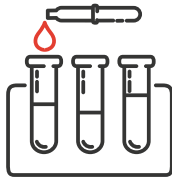


## Study, research, innovation

### In the student population







**+ €380,000,000**

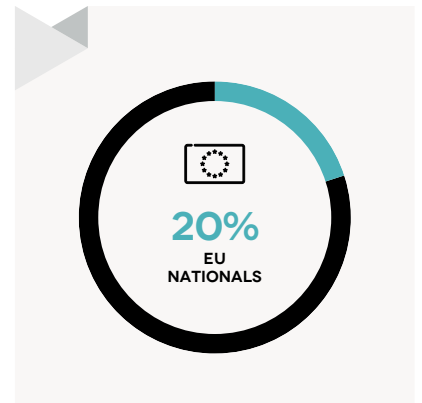
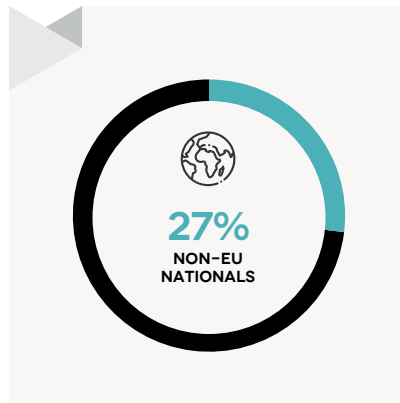
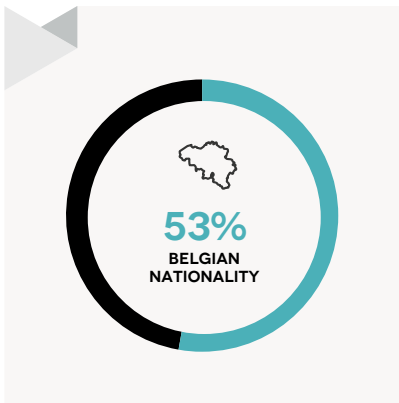
ALLOCATED EACH YEAR TO  
**RESEARCH**



**1,000**

**PHD GRADUATES**  
WITH THESIS (DOCTORS)

**Percentage of doctoral students by nationality**



**BELGIAN SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH  
RECOGNISED WORLDWIDE:**



**4**

**NOBEL PRIZES FOR  
MEDICINE**



**5**

**NOBEL PRIZES FOR  
PEACE**



**1**

**NOBEL PRIZE FOR  
LITERATURE**



**1**

**NOBEL PRIZE FOR  
CHEMISTRY**

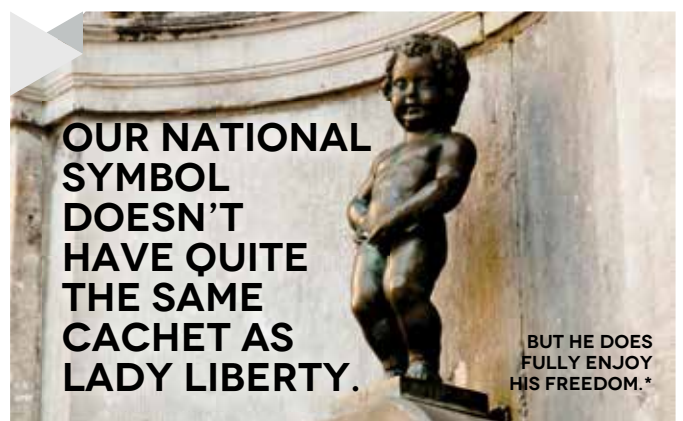
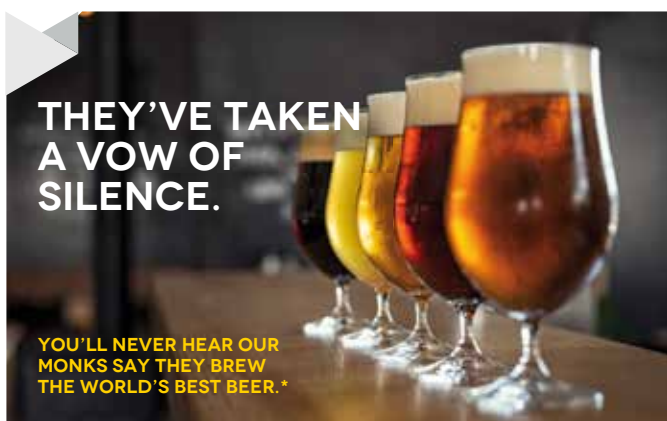
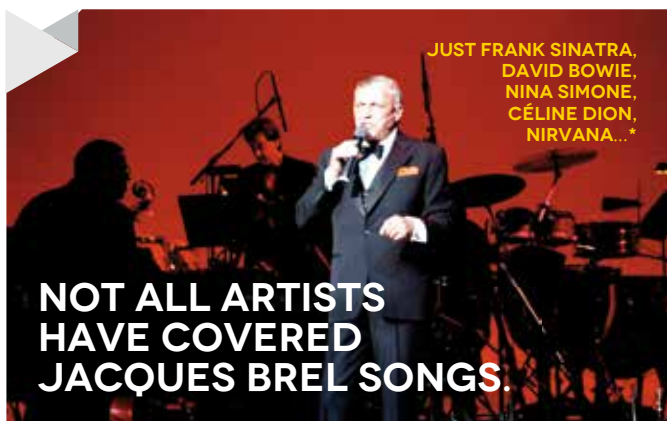


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**NOBEL PRIZE FOR  
PHYSICS**



## Did you know?



**BELGIUM IS AT THE FOREFRONT OF THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY.**

IT MAKES UP FOR OUR LACK OF ALTITUDE.\*

**EVERY YEAR, 150,000 PEOPLE GATHER HERE IN A FARMER'S FIELD.**

SO WE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE NICE TO PUT ON SOME MUSIC FOR THEM.\*

**BELGIANS ARE NANOTECHNOLOGY PIONEERS, WHICH IS HARDLY SURPRISING.**

GIVEN THE COUNTRY'S DIMINUTIVE SIZE.\*

SO WE THROW A FAB PARTY EACH YEAR.\*

**BELGIUM WAS THE 2<sup>ND</sup> COUNTRY IN THE WORLD TO LEGALISE SAME-SEX MARRIAGE.**

**BELGIUM IS THE EUROPEAN UNION'S HAPPIEST COUNTRY**

ACCORDING TO EUROSTAT, MORE THAN 80% OF BELGIANS HAVE DECLARED THAT THEY FEEL "HAPPY ALL THE TIME" OR "MOST OF THE TIME", MAKING BELGIUM THE MOST APPEALING COUNTRY IN EUROPE IN TERMS OF QUALITY OF LIFE!

**BELGIAN PEOPLE ARE VERY SUPPORTIVE, OPEN AND WARM. I HAVE ALWAYS FELT VERY WELCOME DURING MY VARIOUS STAYS HERE.**

**TOMAS CHILE**

\*Source: Texts taken from the 2017 promotional campaign "Belgium. Uniquely phenomenal" FPS Chancellery of the Prime Minister

# BELGIUM: AN IDEAL POSITION, RIGHT IN THE HEART OF EUROPE

## An open welcome to international students

Founded on tolerance, Belgium is truly welcoming to the numerous travellers and visitors that settle there constantly. Its central position in Europe, its meeting of Latin and Germanic worlds, its multilingualism and its cutting-edge political, social and religious approach to freedoms have helped form its cosmopolitan character, making it a multicultural society.

## A properly European multicultural country

Belgium is one of the six founding members of the European Union, whose capital, Brussels, hosts many European and international institutions: the European parliament, the European Commission, the NATO... Due to its international status, Brussels is today Europe's most multicultural region and 2nd worldwide only to Dubai. In its hundred or so districts, almost 200 different nationalities live side-by-side, speaking more than 180 foreign languages.

## Plenty of employment opportunities once you have completed your studies

The presence of European and international institutions in Brussels generates more than 100,000 jobs and contributes towards the regional economy's GDP by around 15%. It is an ecosystem that also draws world innovators and allows start-ups to succeed in various areas, such as fintech, insurtech and even lawtech. Into the mix add the parallel activities brought about by this international ecosystem: lobbyists, journalists and diplomats, as well as regional representatives and international law firms.

## French-speaking Belgium is also the ideal point of departure to visit the rest of Europe!



# EXCELLENT HIGHER EDUCATION

## Come study in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation and make the most of its excellent higher education

In French-speaking Belgium, the education system is varied, diversified and accessible. Universities, university colleges and schools of arts; from bachelor level through to PhD, each and every student is sure to find the right education for their plans.

And by choosing French-speaking Belgium to study, you can count on excellent education hinged on a long tradition of scientific and technological innovation and research.

## Belgian scientific research recognised worldwide

The influence of scientific research in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation beyond its borders is confirmed by its many Nobel prize winners:

- 4 Nobel prizes for medicine;
- 5 Nobel prizes for peace;
- 1 Nobel prize for literature;
- 1 Nobel prize for chemistry;
- 1 Nobel prize for physics.



### Fun fact !

Have you seen “The Big Bang Theory”? Of course you have, and just like us, we bet you’re a big fan of Sheldon Cooper! But did you know that the actual Big Bang theory was formulated by Belgian scientist, Georges Lemaître, at the start of the last century?

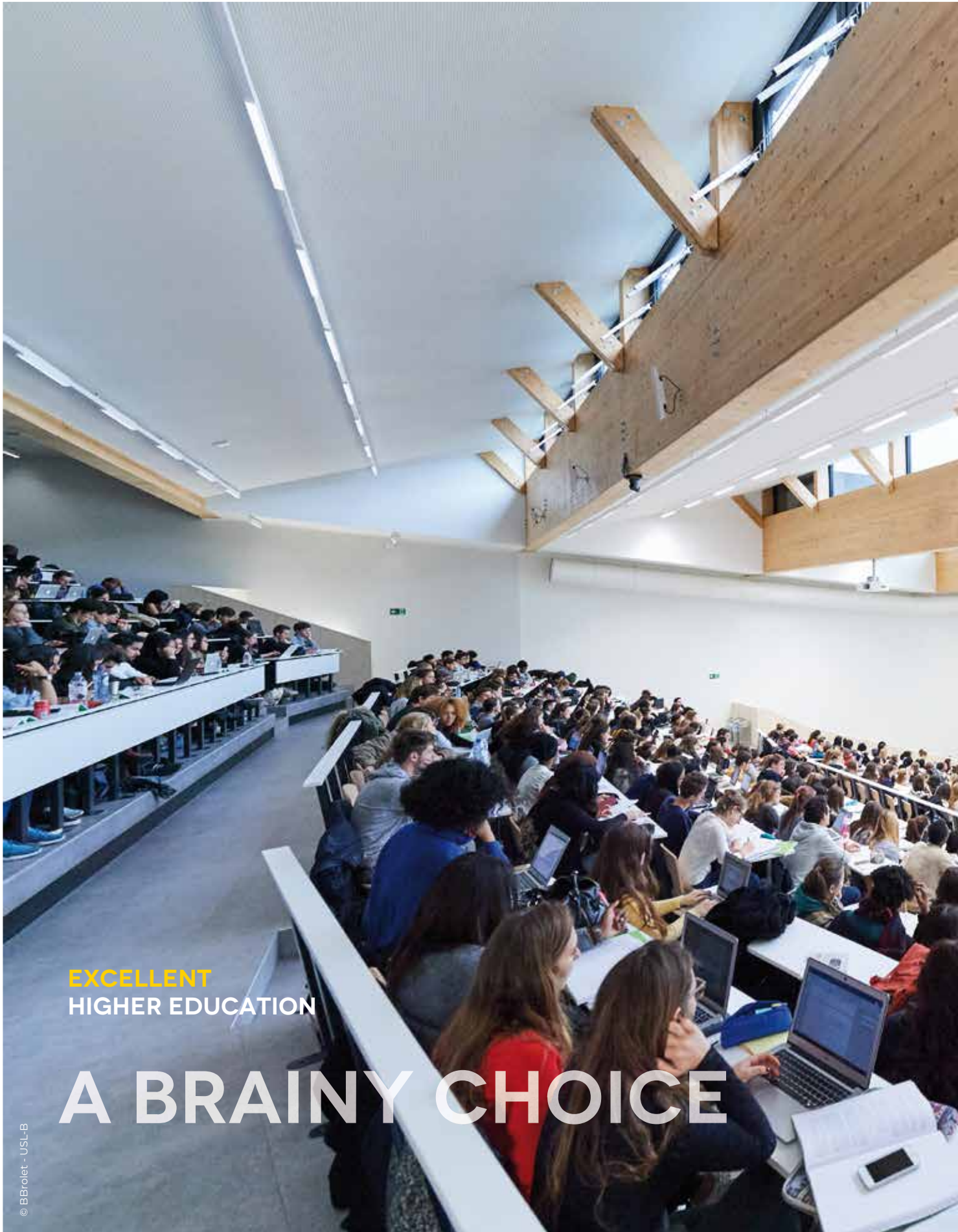
## Open-minded and multicultural

There can be no doubt, a stand-out feature of the Wallonia-Brussels Federation is its diversity and openness to the world. The Federation’s ability to secure international partnerships and export its talent bears witness to this openness. Although English is spoken widely, in addition to the three official languages (French, Dutch and German), a great many of other nationalities are also represented in the higher education institutions of Wallonia-Brussels, institutions that welcome more and more international students with each year that passes.



I LOVED MY TIME STUDYING IN BRUSSELS AND WOULD RECOMMEND IT TO ANYONE. NOT ONLY FOR THE QUALITY OF HIGHER EDUCATION BUT ALSO BECAUSE IT IS A COSMOPOLITAN CITY THAT NEVER SLEEPS!





**EXCELLENT**  
HIGHER EDUCATION

**A BRAINY CHOICE**

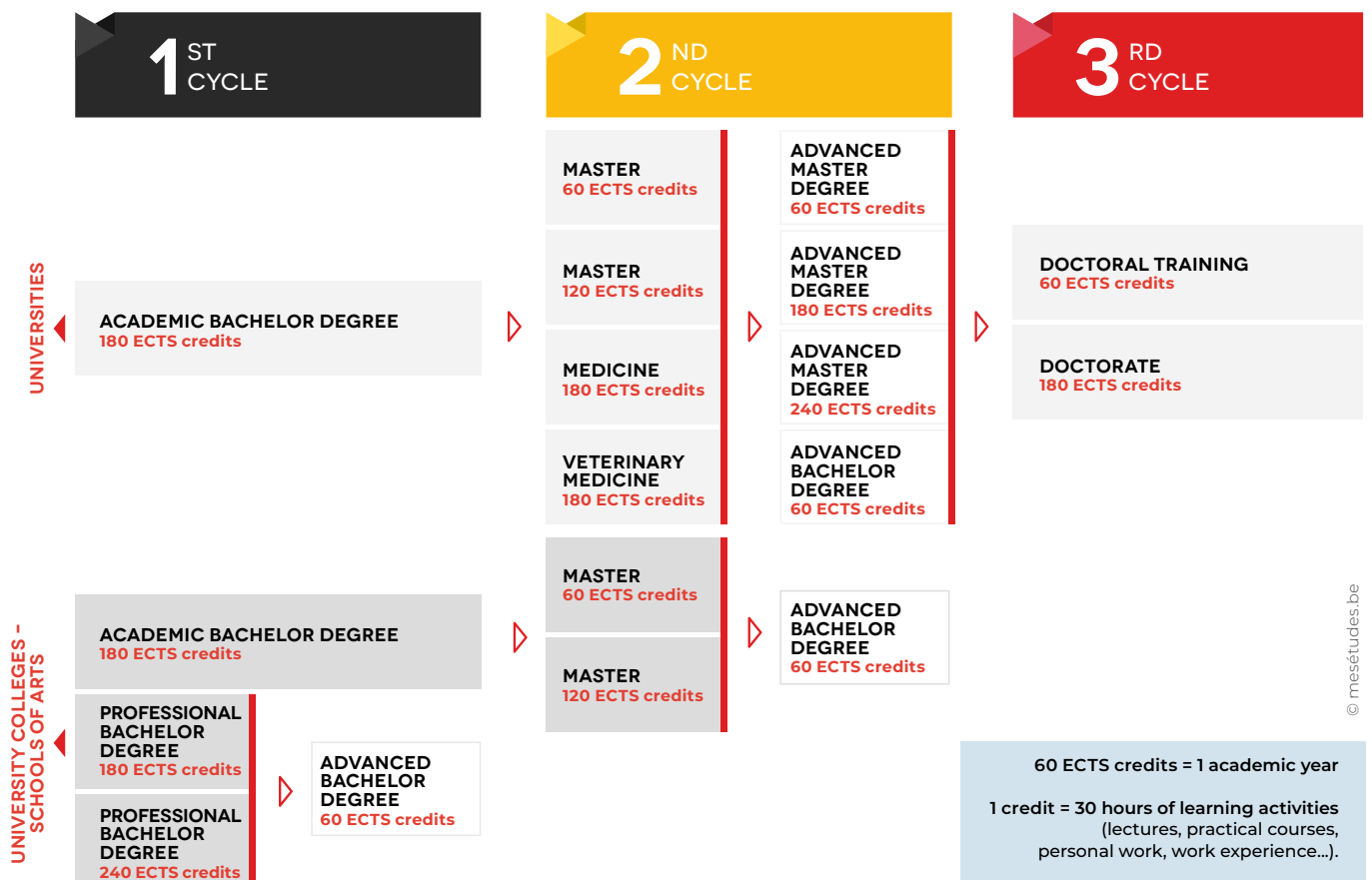
# HIGHER EDUCATION IN BELGIUM

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# BELGIAN QUALIFICATIONS RECOGNISED WORLDWIDE

In French-speaking Belgium, higher education is based on a system of three cycles of studies: the bachelor's degree, the master's degree and the PhD. Each qualification obtained gives you ECTS credits, which are recognised in numerous countries in both the European Union and worldwide. As an adhering member of this system, the Wallonia-Brussels Federation is committed to guaranteeing the quality of higher education, promoting student mobility and strengthening the globalisation of its higher education.

## How higher education works



The award of the qualifications (bachelor's degree, master's degree and PhD) is linked to the number of years of studies completed since entering higher education. Each year can award up to 60 ECTS credits (European Credits Transfer System), which can be used and transferred from one country to another.

- A 1st cycle qualification (bachelor's degree) represents 180 or 240 ECTS credits, namely 3 or 4 years of study.
- A 2nd cycle qualification (master's degree) represents 60, 120 or 180 ECTS credits, namely 1, 2 or 3 years of study.
- A 3rd cycle qualification (PhD) represents a variable number of ECTS credits.



# HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

In French-speaking Belgium, study programmes are delivered in three different types of higher education institutions: universities, university colleges and schools of arts.

## List of higher education institutions

### 5 UNIVERSITIES

Université catholique de Louvain, <https://uclouvain.be>  
 Université libre de Bruxelles, <https://www.ulb.be>  
 Université de Liège, <https://www.uliege.be>  
 Université de Mons, <https://web.umons.ac.be>  
 Université de Namur, <https://www.unamur.be>

### 19 UNIVERSITY COLLEGES

Haute Ecole Albert Jacquard, <https://www.heaj.be>  
 Haute Ecole Bruxelles-Brabant, <https://www.he2b.be>  
 Haute Ecole Charlemagne, <https://www.hech.be>  
 Haute Ecole Ephec, <https://www.ephec.be>  
 Haute Ecole Francisco Ferrer, <https://www.he-ferrer.eu>  
 Haute Ecole Galilée – IHECS, <https://www.ihecs.be>  
 Haute Ecole ICHEC – ECAM – ISFSC, <http://he-ichec-ecam-isfsc.be>  
 Haute Ecole en Hainaut, <https://www.heh.be>  
 Haute Ecole Léonard de Vinci, <http://www.vinci.be>  
 Haute Ecole libre de Bruxelles - Ilya Prigogine, <https://www.helb-prigogine.be>  
 Haute Ecole libre Mosane, <https://www.helmo.be>  
 Haute Ecole Louvain en Hainaut, <https://www.helha.be>  
 Haute Ecole Lucia de Brouckère, <https://www.helldb.be>  
 Haute Ecole de Namur-Liège-Luxembourg, <https://www.henallux.be>  
 Haute Ecole provinciale de Hainaut – Condorcet, <https://www.condorcet.be>  
 Haute Ecole de la Province de Liège, <https://www.provincedeliege.be/hauteecole>  
 Haute Ecole de la Province de Namur, <https://hepn.be>  
 Haute Ecole Robert Schuman, <https://www.hers.be>  
 Haute Ecole de la Ville de Liège, <https://www.hel.be>

### 16 SCHOOLS OF ARTS

Académie des Beaux-Arts de Tournai, <http://www.actournai.be>  
 Académie royale des Beaux-Arts de la Ville de Bruxelles, <https://www.arba-esa.be>  
 Arts<sup>2</sup>, <https://www.artsaucarre.be>  
 Beaux-Arts de Liège - École Supérieure des Arts, <https://beauxartsdeliege.be>  
 Conservatoire royal de Bruxelles, <http://www.conservatoire.be>  
 Conservatoire royal de Liège, <https://www.crlg.be>  
 Ecole nationale supérieure des Arts visuels de La Cambre, <https://www.lacambre.be>  
 Ecole supérieure des Arts de l'Image "Le 75", <https://leseptantecinq.be>  
 Ecole supérieure des Arts - Ecole de Recherche graphique, <http://www.erg.be>  
 Ecole supérieure des Arts du Cirque, <http://esac.be>  
 Ecole supérieure des Arts Institut Saint-Luc Tournai, <http://stluc-sup-tournai.be>  
 Ecole supérieure des Arts Saint-Luc de Bruxelles, <http://www.stluc-bruxelles-esa.be>  
 Ecole supérieure des Arts Saint-Luc de Liège, <https://www.saint-luc.be>  
 Institut des Arts de Diffusion, <http://www.iad-arts.be>  
 Institut national supérieur des Arts du Spectacle et des Techniques de Diffusion, <https://insas.be>  
 Institut supérieur de Musique et de Pédagogie, <https://www.imep.be>



## The universities

### Theoretical and scientific education

Spread throughout the Wallonia-Brussels Federation territory, the French-speaking universities of Belgium offer their students quality education. The options are divided up into four fields of study: science and technology, human sciences, health sciences and art.

### Research at the heart of the French-speaking Belgian university course

In addition to in-depth knowledge of the chosen subject, the Wallonian and Brussels-based universities offer a solid general education, encouraging their students to take a scientific approach. This is why the focus is firmly on research, both basic and applied. And it is this philosophy that makes the universities of French-speaking Belgium institutions that are famous for the excellence of their research programmes and have earned them a remarkable reputation both in our country and beyond.

### How are university studies organised?

The universities offer long-term education programmes made up of two cycles:

- a **1<sup>st</sup> cycle** (180 ECTS credits) that takes the students up to **Academic bachelor degree** level, i.e. its main aim is to prepare for the master degree that follows;
- a **2<sup>nd</sup> cycle**, leading to a **master degree** (60, 120 or 180 ECTS credits).

These two cycles can be followed by a 3<sup>rd</sup>, a **PhD**.

#### PERCENTAGE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS REGISTERED ON A MASTERS PROGRAMME BY FIELD OF STUDY



**20%**  
HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

**35%**  
HEALTH

**25%**  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

**20%**  
ART



## The university colleges

### Practical, professional education

All the French-speaking university colleges of Belgium offer a quality education, liaising closely with applied research, universities, and socio-professional environments. Differently to the universities, the teaching employed in the university colleges is hinged on learning and the world of work. The theoretical and conceptual aspects are all part of the programme with a heavy focus on internships, which are mandatory. If you are looking for a course delivered in small halls with regular, practical work, then a university college is what you need!

### What university colleges can offer you:

- Studies organised as a **single cycle**, leading to a **professional bachelor's degree** (between 180 and 240 ECTS credits).
- Studies organised into **two cycles**, leading to a **Academic bachelor degree** (1st cycle - 180 credits) and **master** (2nd cycle - 60 to 120 credits).
- Studies organised into **one or two cycles**, leading to an **advanced bachelor's degree**. This can be obtained after having successfully completed an initial bachelor's or master's degree. The specialised bachelor's degree contains at least 60 credits.

#### PERCENTAGE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS REGISTERED ON A MASTERS PROGRAMME BY FIELDS OF STUDY



**42 %**  
SOCIAL AND HUMAN SCIENCES

**38 %**  
HEALTH

**20 %**  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



## The schools of arts

### Internationally recognised education in artistic techniques

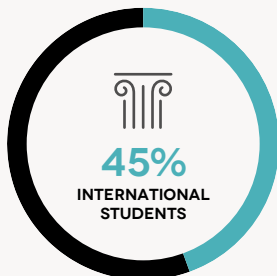
Enjoying world renown, the schools of arts of the Wallonia-Brussels Federation educate all Belgian and foreign students looking to pursue performing arts and communication and broadcasting technology ; plastic, visual and spatial arts ; music ; theatre and dramatic arts.

### What the schools of arts can offer you

After passing an **admission test**, schools of arts offer:

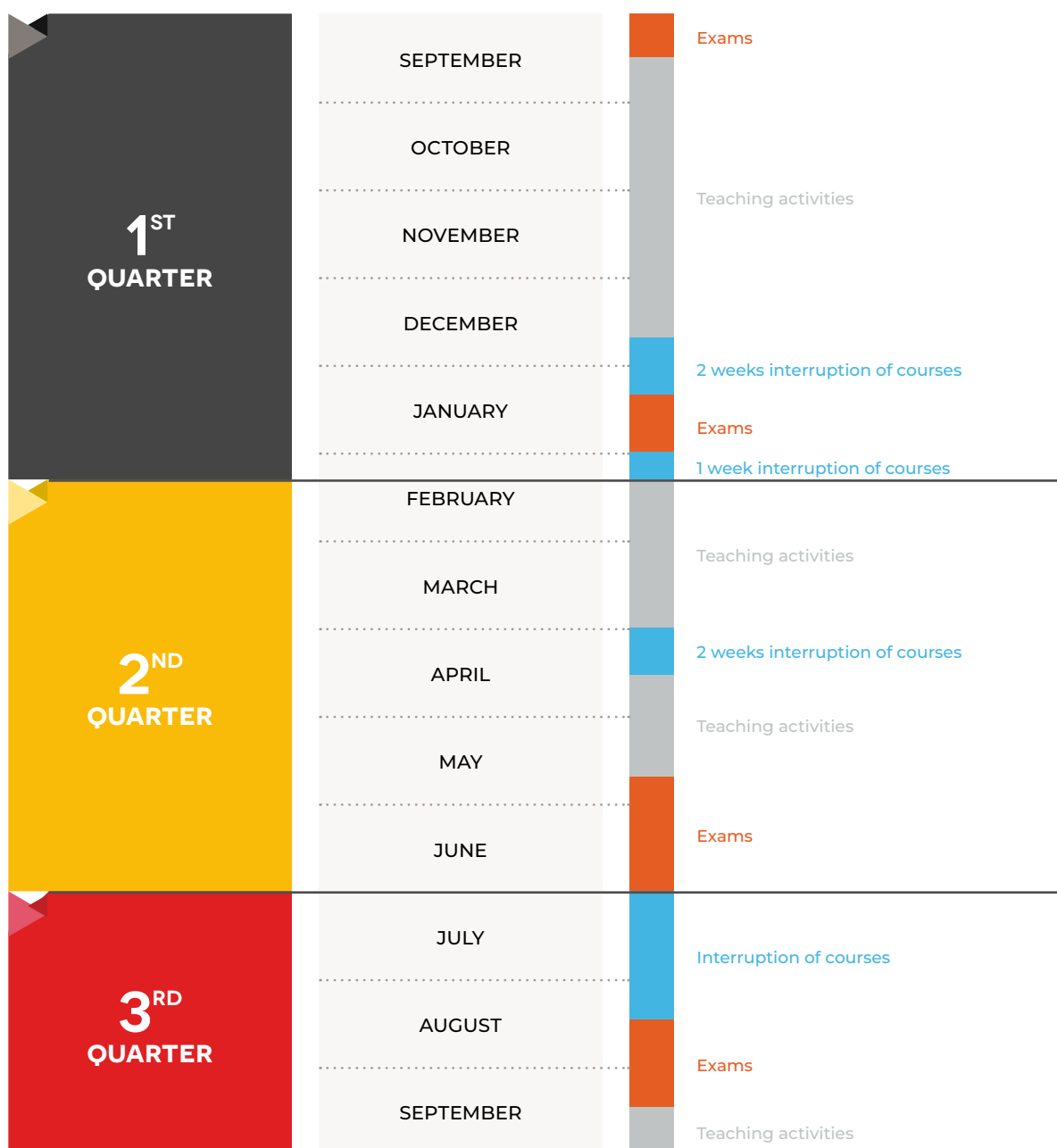
- **One cycle** leading to a **professional bachelor's degree** (180 to 240 ECTS credits).
- In **two or three cycles**:
  - a **1st cycle** leading to the award of a **Academic bachelor degree** (180 ECTS credits),
  - a **2nd cycle** leading to the award of a **master's degree** (60 to 120 ECTS credits),
  - in collaboration with universities, a **3rd cycle in art and art sciences** lead to the award of a **PhD**.

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNATIONAL  
STUDENTS REGISTERED IN  
SCHOOLS OF ARTS



# ACADEMIC CALENDAR

As a rule, the calendar of an academic year in French-speaking Belgium is divided up into three terms. Learning is split over the first two terms, except for certain assessments or professional integration activities.



TEACHING ACTIVITIES



INTERRUPTION OF COURSES



EXAMS



A close-up photograph of a hand holding a pen, set against a vibrant yellow background. The hand is positioned diagonally across the frame, with the fingers gripping the pen. The lighting is soft, highlighting the skin's texture and the contours of the hand. The overall composition is clean and modern, emphasizing movement and action.

**A LIFE-CHANGING  
EXPERIENCE**

**DARE TO MOVE**

# ORGANISING YOUR STAY

IN  
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# ADMISSION AND ENROLMENT PROCEDURES

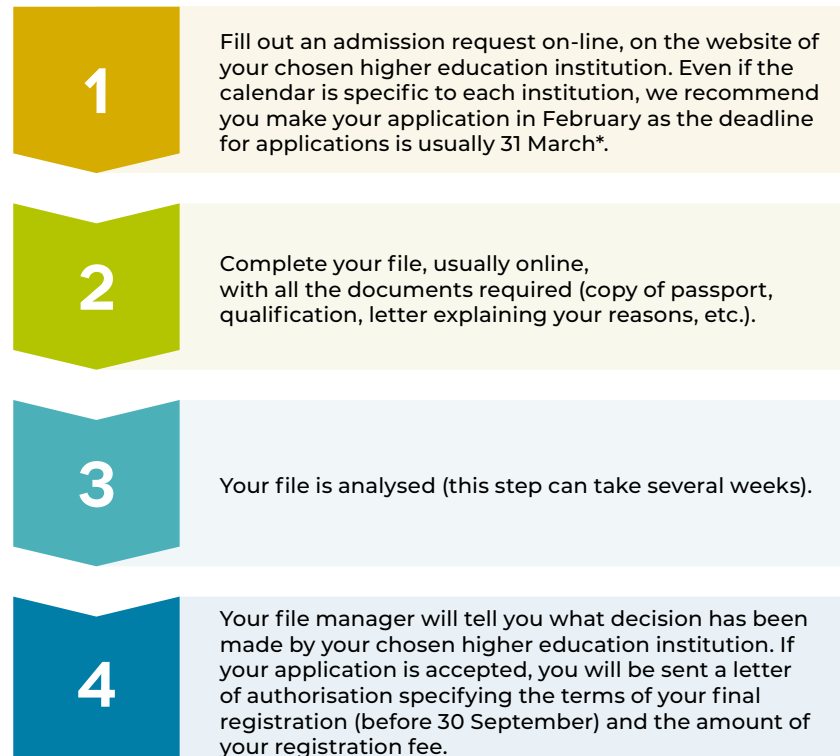
The procedures to be followed to enrol with a higher education institution in French-speaking Belgium may vary. Your nationality, country of residence, qualifications, chosen education or level of studies to be achieved are all aspects that are taken into account.

## Access to master's studies for nationals from non-EU countries

You must hold a bachelor's degree (1st cycle of 180 ECTS) in a field of study similar or identical to the one you wish to undertake.

### Enrolment is in 4 steps:

\* NB: You will need to have paid a €200 administrative fee to complete your online application. This amount will be deducted from your registration fee if your application is accepted. The deposit will not be refunded in all other cases. It is therefore very important to check beforehand that you meet the access requirements.




**⚠ Please note:** There are specific admissions criteria for each master's degree and each higher education institution. Generally, these are listed on the presentation form for the masters published on the institution's website.




## Conditions for access to the doctorate for non-EU nationals

You will need to meet the following conditions:

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You must have obtained sufficiently good result in your prior studies:

  - You must have a Master's degree from university higher education teaching of at least 300 ECTS credits;
  - You must have an average of at least 70% during your graduate studies.
- 

You must provide a funding plan (official proof required) that demonstrates sufficient resources to complete your studies: €10,000 + registration fee (currently €835).

The doctorate corresponds to long-term studies lasting at least three years. That's why it is important to find out about funding options.

The PhD may be funded by:

  - your own capital or a guarantor in Belgium;
  - a grant from your government;
  - a grant from Belgian cooperation (ARES);
  - a term as assistant to the university executive;
  - a doctoral scholarship from the chosen university;
  - income related to a research contract.
- 

You must have a thesis proposal and the written agreement from a supervisor.



### Consult the sites:

- <https://reseaulieu.be/en/>
- [https://www.synhera.be/en\\_GB/](https://www.synhera.be/en_GB/)
- <https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu>



**Note:** to find a supervisor, you can consult:

- the General PhD Regulation adopted by each higher education institution;
- the websites of the higher education institutions;
- the F.R.S.-FNRS website;
- the research directory on the federal scientific policy website.

## Enrolment procedures

The first step is to check that you meet the requirements for accessing the doctorate. If these requirements are met, you can then complete the online application form for your chosen university.

Documents to include in your file:

- certificate of Nationality dated within the calendar year of registration (or a copy of your passport);
- cover letter;
- thesis project;
- authorisation from your sponsor;
- undergraduate and graduate diplomas and transcripts (translated into French or English if necessary);
- proof of your activities over the last five years;
- a funding plan.

**When?** To register for the 2024-2025 academic year, for example, you must submit your application until March 2024 at the latest.

**What's next?** As soon as we receive your application, it will be examined by the competent jury as soon as possible. You will receive an official response by email as well as the admission documents necessary for your visa application once your file has been processed.

Always check the admission and registration conditions on the website of the university of your choice.



# VISA AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

## How to get a visa to study in French-speaking Belgium?

Whether you are an international student or researcher, the visa you need will depend on both the duration of your stay and your nationality. Although some of the formalities need to be completed in your home country, don't forget that you will still need to complete some of the administrative processes once you arrive in Belgium.



## Applying for a Belgian visa as an international student (master's or doctorate's degree)

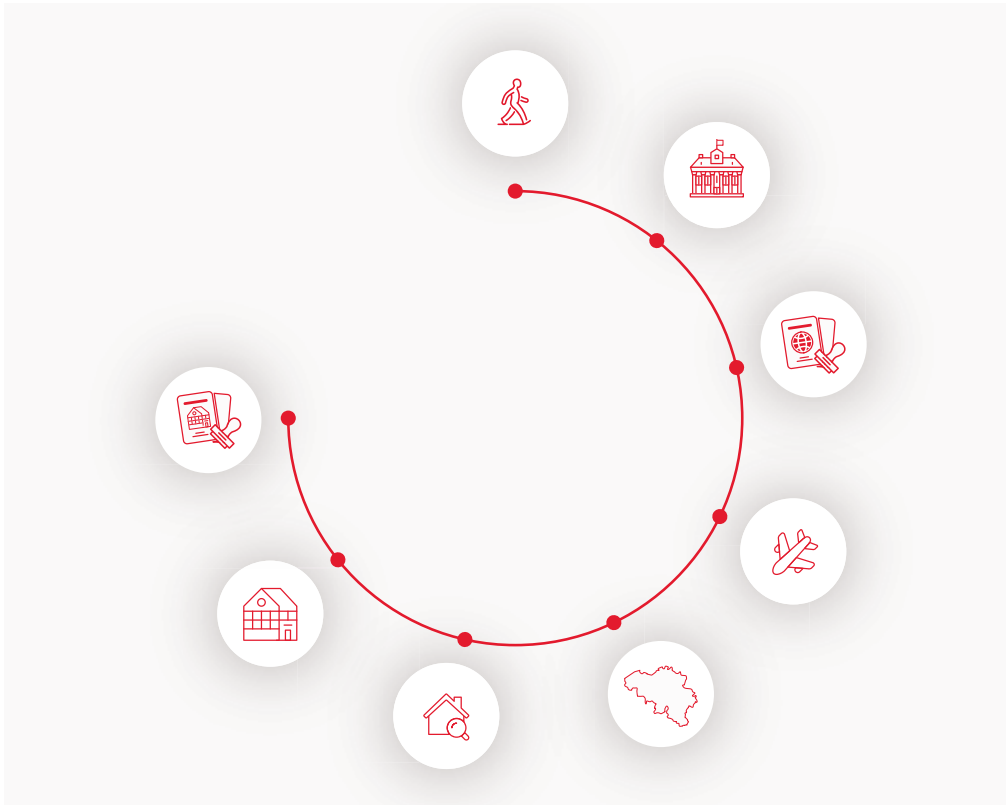
The citizen of a third country who wishes to undertake full-time higher studies at a higher education institution in Belgium, or a preparatory year for this education, must submit an application for authorisation to stay in Belgium for more than 90 days.

The general rule is that this request will be submitted to the Belgian diplomatic or consular post competent for the place where they usually reside abroad, in the form of an application for a visa D (national visa for a long stay).



Visit [the website of the Immigration Office](#) to find out:

- the conditions to meet to obtain a Belgian international student visa;
- the documents to provide to obtain a Belgian visa;
- what to do once you are in Belgium.



### Applying for a Belgian authorisation of researcher as an international researcher

From 1st of March 2023:

Third-country nationals, who are linked with a hosting agreement to a research organization recognized in Belgium, can benefit from new legislation regarding the researchers.

In order to carry out a research activity in Belgium, the third country national will need an authorisation for researcher.

This authorisation of researcher should be applied for by the recognized research organization at the competent regional government through the single permit application.

When the recognized research organization submits this application, the researcher has to be, in general, in the country outside the EU. Only if the third country national already has been authorised for a short stay (i.e. maximum of 90 days) long stay (i.e. more than 90 days) in Belgium, an exception is made and third country national may already be on Belgian territory at the time the recognized research organization applies for the authorisation.



Visit [the website of the Immigration Office](#) to find out:

- Application for authorisation for researcher (procedure, documents and examination period)
- Visa
- Renewal application

# COST OF STUDYING AND LIVING

## How much does a study stay cost in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation?

In French-speaking Belgium, access to higher education is a priority. This is why the Wallonia-Brussels Federation public institutions choose to subsidise much of the cost of studying. This means that registration fees are fairly low yet the quality of study is excellent.

## Tuition fees and increased tuition fees for universities for a master's degree

As a rule, tuition fees for studying at universities of the Wallonia-Brussels Federation will depend on the student's status:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Students who are nationals of the European Union or European Economic Area | Max. €835 per year.   |
| Students who are non-European Union nationals                              | €2,505 per year.<br>This amount is applicable for 4 consecutive academic years. |

In some cases, non-European students may be exempted from paying full fees. At that point, they will merely need to pay the maximum annual tuition fees of €835, as for European Union students. However, certain conditions must be met. More info: [www.studyinbelgium.be](http://www.studyinbelgium.be)



**Please note:** for certain specialised master's degrees and MBAs (issue of a certificate), the amount of tuition fees may differ. Contact the institution of your choice for more information.

## Registration fees for a PhD

For all PhD students wishing to complete their PhD students in French-speaking Belgium, registration fees are **€835** the first year and approximately **€50/year** thereafter.

## How much does it cost to live in French-speaking Belgium?

Although the cost of living is relatively low in Belgium, it can vary from one town to another. Don't forget to consider everything (food, transport, free time, health, etc.) when preparing your budget, to avoid any unpleasant surprises. This means that for a student, the cost of living may vary between €1000 and €1,200 per month and includes:

|                                     |                             |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Accommodation                       | between €300 and €500/month |
| Food                                | €400/month                  |
| Study materials                     | €50/month                   |
| Healthcare and insurance            | €30/month                   |
| Public transport                    | €50/month                   |
| Other (phone bill, going out, etc.) | €170/month                  |

## GRANTS AND LOANS

Grants, listed at [www.studyinbelgium.be](http://www.studyinbelgium.be), are available depending on your nationality and the level of studies you wish to pursue.



### MASTER IN - WBI GRANTS

Wallonia-Brussels International offers Master's grants to international students to realise a Master's degree in a higher education institution of the Wallonia-Brussels Federation.

Call for applications: every year in September.

More info: <https://www.studyinbelgium.be/en/master-wbi-grants>

Contact the Social Services Department of the chosen higher education institution to find out about any financial aid available.



WALLONIA-BRUSSELS INTERNATIONAL EXCELLENCE GRANTS PROGRAMME ENABLED ME TO COMPLETE MY MASTER'S DEGREE IN BELGIUM. THE SCHOLARSHIP COVERED MY TWO YEARS OF STUDY. IT IS A FAIRLY LARGE AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT ALLOWED ME TO LIVE DECENTLY AND IT REALLY CHANGED THE COURSE OF MY STUDIES.



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## WORKING WHILE STUDYING

In Belgium, all foreign students can work while studying. The only conditions are: they must be enrolled with a higher education institution in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation and must have a valid residence permit.

Work time:

- During school holidays (Christmas, spring, summer – July, August, September): the student can work with no limit to the number of hours.
- During the school year: the student can work no more than 20 hours per week and the work must be compatible with study.

After completing his studies in Belgium, the third-country national may ask to be authorised to extend his stay for a maximum of 12 months, in order to look for work or set up a company, with the aim of obtaining a residence permit for employment purposes.



To find out more, visit [the website of the Immigration Office](#).

# FINDING ACCOMMODATION

Depending on your status, the length of your study stay and budget, you can choose from two types of accommodation in French-speaking Belgium: university residence or private accommodation.

| Living in a university residence  | Living in private accommodation   |
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| <p>By opting for this type of accommodation, you have your own room but you will need to share the kitchen, living room, bathroom and toilets with other students. Also called "kot", this type of accommodation allows students from all countries and of all levels of study to meet and share their experiences.</p> | <p>In the private sector, different types of accommodation are available: a room, a studio flat or a flat. You can choose to live alone or in a community.</p>  |
| <p><b>The cost:</b> On average, the price is €350 per month, including utilities (water, heating, electricity).</p>   | <p><b>The cost:</b> The average price ranges between €350 and €500 per month. Utilities are not always included.</p>  |
| <p><b>Tips:</b> As the number of places is limited, we recommend you get organised as quickly as possible and by the specific deadlines. Once you have been authorised to come study in French-speaking Belgium, contact the accommodation service of the higher education institution you have chosen.</p>             | <p><b>Tips:</b> There are two ways you can search:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Personal research: on the internet, referring to the notice boards posted in the higher education institutions and large areas, or simply walking along the roads and looking for the posters—accommodation is easy to find.</li> <li>→ Research via a specialised agency: as a rule, this type of market is mainly for higher-priced accommodation.</li> </ul> |



# LEARNING FRENCH

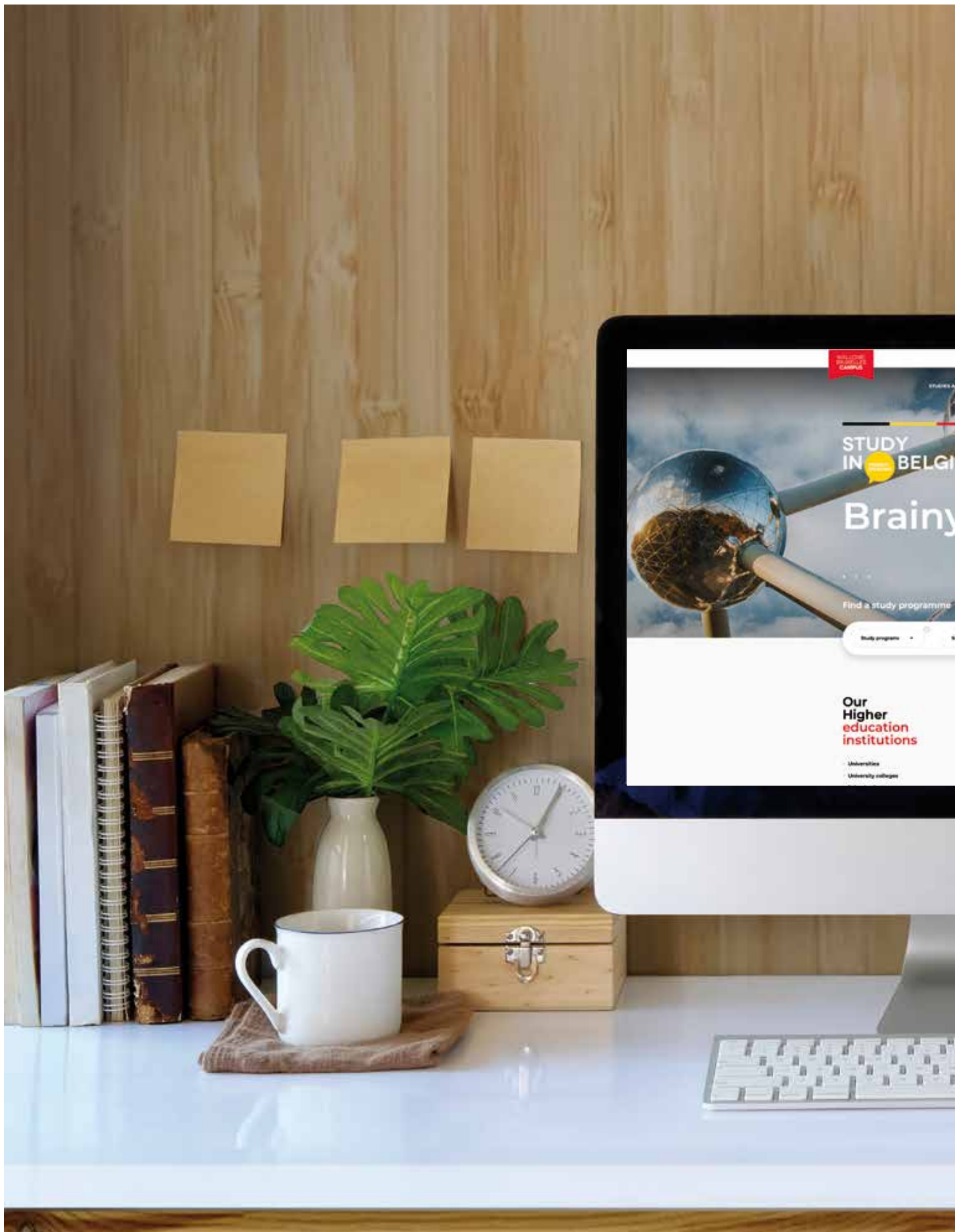
Although many of the master's degree courses are delivered partially or entirely in English, the higher education institutions of the Wallonia-Brussels Federation are French-speaking! The language used for teaching and the everyday environment is therefore mainly French. By choosing to study in French-speaking Belgium, you can thus enjoy a unique opportunity to improve your French, making progress every day in the cosmopolitan world of Belgium!

If you are enrolled as a student on a French master's degree course, your French will need to be at B2 (upper intermediate) level, as defined by the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). You will need to pass a standardised test: DALF (B2), DELF (B2), TEF (level 4) or TCF (B2).



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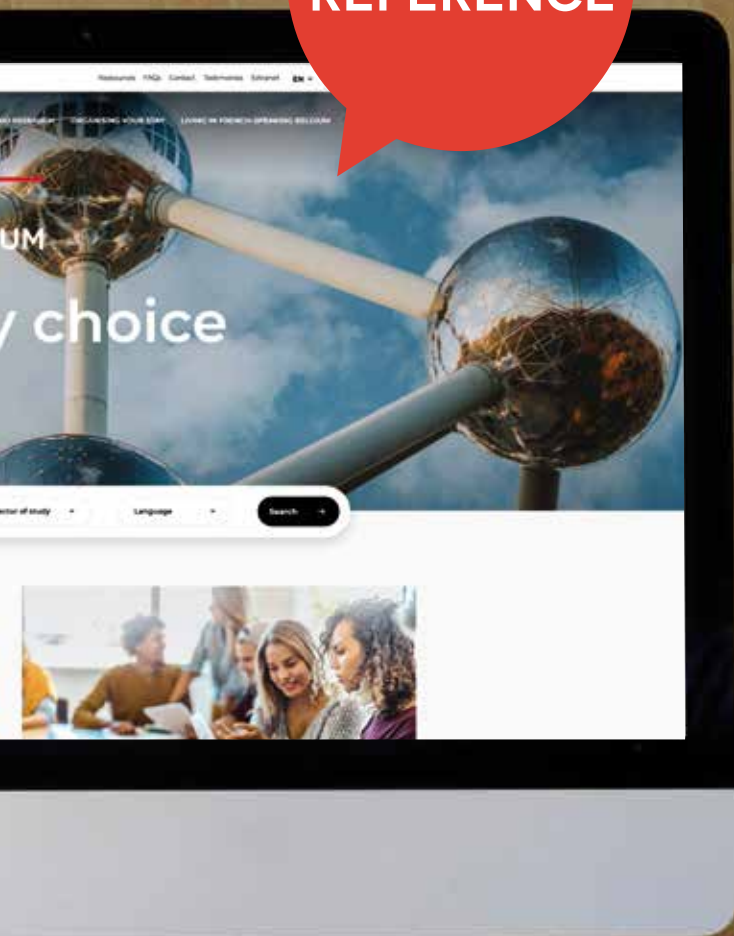






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[www.studyinbelgium.be](http://www.studyinbelgium.be) is your go-to website!

It will guide you in the choice of your education, tell you everything you need to know about the practical aspects of your stay and also offers a great many testimonials!

A specific question? The team of the Wallonie-Bruxelles Campus, the agency which promotes the French-speaking Belgian higher education sector internationally, is on hand to help you any way they can: [wbcampus@wbi.be](mailto:wbcampus@wbi.be)

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**JORDANNE  
CANADA**

TWO THINGS CAUGHT MY ATTENTION DURING MY STAY. FIRSTLY, THE STUDENT CULTURE. I WENT CLUBBING FOR THE FIRST TIME IN BRUSSELS, SO I GUESS I'M ONE OF THE COOL KIDS AT HOME NOW! THE SECOND THING, AND ALSO SOMETHING I MISSED THE MOST, IS THE WAY PEOPLE EXPRESS THEMSELVES. PEOPLE DRESS THE WAY THEY WANT TO WITH BRIGHT COLOURS AND CRAZY HAIRCUTS.



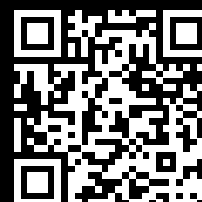
**GEORGIA  
TAIWAN**

LIVING AND STUDYING IN FRENCH-SPEAKING BELGIUM WAS A REMARKABLE OPPORTUNITY TO ENRICH MY CAREER AND MY NETWORK. DURING MY PHD PROJECT, I HAD THE CHANCE TO WORK WITH INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED RESEARCHERS.



**ELLEN  
BRAZIL**

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