

Information sheet, EMINTE, European partner universities

Name of university: University of Leuven (KU Leuven)

Profile of the university (max. 15 lines):

KU Leuven is a **research-intensive, internationally oriented comprehensive university**. Founded in **1425**, it is Belgium's largest university and **one of the oldest and most renowned universities in Europe**. As a leading European research university and **co-founder of the League of European Research Universities (LERU)**, KU Leuven offers a wide variety of academic programmes, nurtured by high-quality **interdisciplinary research** and carried out at the university and at its internationally acclaimed university hospitals. The university's interaction and cooperation with external partners is very intense.

Within a total population of **over 40 000 students**, KU Leuven counts about 6.700 international students and **over 140 nationalities**. The Leuven **doctoral schools** organize the international PhD tracks of 3 500 doctoral students.

Leuven is a safe, pleasant and **multicultural historical town**, with a vibrant student community. Moreover, it is only a short train ride away from Brussels – the capital of the EU–, Paris and London, as well as other European cities.

Boasting an outstanding central location, **KU Leuven offers a truly international experience, high-quality education, world-class research and cutting-edge innovation.**

Websites:

Main university website: <http://www.kuleuven.be/english>

Website Undergraduate

studies: <http://onderwijsaanbod.kuleuven.be/2013/opleidingen/e/index.htm>

Website Master studies: <http://onderwijsaanbod.kuleuven.be/2013/opleidingen/e/index.htm>

Website PhD studies: <http://www.kuleuven.be/research/phd/>

Website Post Doc fellowships: <http://www.kuleuven.be/research/postdoc/>

Website with information for academic staff: <http://www.kuleuven.be/personeel/jobsite/>

Academic calendar:

Start and end dates of the autumn semester 2014 : 22/09/2014 – 31/01/2015

Start and end dates of the spring semester 2015: 09/02/2015 – 29/06/2015

Examination period (s):

autumn semester: 05/01/2015 – 31/01/2015

spring semester: 25/05/2015 – 29/06/2015



<i>Credit system:</i>
Number of credits earned during one semester of full time undergraduate/master studies: 28-32 ECTS
Number of credits earned during one year of full time undergraduate/master studies: 60 ECTS
Number of credits required for completion of an undergraduate degree: 180 ECTS
Number of years required for completion of an undergraduate degree: 3 years
Number of credits required for completion of a master's degree: 60 ECTS for a 1 year master's degree; 120 ECTS for a 2 year master's degree
Number of years required for completion of a master's degree: 1 or 2 years, depending on the programme.
Number of credits required for completion of a PhD degree: Doctoral students are required to complete a doctoral education programme. The 'Truncus communis' of the doctoral programme exists of the following activities : publishing, presenting and attending doctoral seminars, active participation in international congresses, regular report and explanation of the progress of one's doctoral research. Please check the regulations of the doctoral schools to know the details of their doctoral programme.
Number of years required for completion of a PhD degree: min. of 4 years
Additional information about the credit system: http://www.kuleuven.be/education/ects/index.html

<i>Language of instruction / language proficiency</i>
What are the language/languages of instruction at your university? The languages of instruction are English and Dutch. Besides, we offer one master's degree programme in French and one master's degree programme in Spanish.
What kind of language certificate is required for Erasmus Mundus students? A TOEFL or IELTS certificate.
What are the minimum required scores for: TOEFL: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• iBT: 79-80• CBT: 213• PBT: 550
For more information: http://www.kuleuven.be/admissions/language/lang_test.html Please note that some programmes have different requirements for English proficiency. Please check the language requirements on the website of the particular programme.
IELTS: 6.5



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Cambridge/Oxford: N/A
Other: N/A
Are any mobility groups exempted from submitting a language proficiency test? No.

Admission for students who are not nominated for an Erasmus Mundus scholarship
Will the application be considered for admission to the programme applied for even when the applicant is not nominated for an Erasmus Mundus scholarship? The applicant will go through the same evaluation procedures as any other international student. If the faculty concerned accepts the application, then the applicant will receive an official admission letter.
Website for information about application procedures for full-degree programmes: www.kuleuven.be/application
Website about other scholarship opportunities (university and/or national level): http://www.kuleuven.be/international/scholarships.html
Tuition fees for undergraduate programmes: € 610,60 (subject to change)
Tuition fees for Master programmes: € 610,60 (subject to change) Certain advanced master's programmes have increased fees, please check the following website: http://www.kuleuven.be/studentenadministratie/inschrijvingen/en/fees/Specialfees.html
Tuition fees for PhD studies: € 290,20 for the first registration and the year of defence, no fee for in-between years
Additional costs for students (use of university facilities, administrative fees etc.): <ul style="list-style-type: none">- application processing fee: € 75- health insurance: € 59,40 per year- third party liability insurance: € 13 per year

Practical information for incoming students and staff. Please provide an internet link if possible.
Welcome guide: http://www.kuleuven.be/welcome/
Course catalogue: http://onderwijsaanbod.kuleuven.be/opleidingen/e/
Student facilities: http://www.kuleuven.be/studentenvoorzieningen/studentenadministratie/studentenadministratieleuven
Housing service: http://www.kuleuven.be/studentenvoorzieningen/accommodation/
Language courses: http://www.clt.be/CLTSite/index.php?mi=2
General information about host university/country: http://www.kuleuven.be/about/

Living expenses:
Student room in a KU Leuven student residence hall: € 200-250 per month
Student room on the private market: € 270-350 per month
Food / meals: about € 300 per month
Health insurance: € 75 per year
Books, course materials and stationeries: about € 850 per academic year



Local transportation: bus pass: € 20 per academic year

Other personal expenses (including laundry, sundries, etc.): about € 150 per month

Other useful information and internet links:

Living, studying and working in Leuven: <http://www.kuleuven.be/english/living>

Indian Students Association India: <http://www.isal.be/>

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