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Welcome session for new international students

September 10
K building
1PM-2PM

Anne Weyembergh

Vice Rector for External Relations
and Cooperation

WELCOME





3 main missions 3 missions principales

- ▲ Providing inclusive, high-quality education - Offrir un enseignement inclusif et de haute qualité
- ▲ Advancing excellence in scientific research - Développer une recherche scientifique d'excellence
- ▲ A strong commitment to society - Un engagement fort au service de la société

Une université engagée An engaged University



Women's empowerment

Home to Belgium's first female university students in 1880, ULB continues to promote gender equality.

Pour l'émancipation des femmes

1ères femmes universitaires en Belgique à l'ULB en 1880; aujourd'hui engagée dans une politique de genre



Pour l'exercice de la pensée critique Principe du libre examen dans les statuts de l'ULB depuis 1894

Championing critical thinking

The principle of free inquiry has been embedded in ULB's statutes since 1894.



Pour les débats éthiques

Sur le droit à l'avortement, à l'euthanasie ou pour le respect du droit international et des droits fondamentaux

Fostering ethical debate

A leading voice on abortion rights, euthanasia, respect for international law and human rights.



Contre le racisme et le fascisme

Fermeture de l'Université en 1941, en résistance à l'occupant nazi

Standing against racism and fascism

ULB chose to close its doors in 1941 rather than submit to Nazi occupation.



Engagée dans et pour la coopération internationale

entre autres via l'ONG universitaire ULBCoopération et depuis 2026 UCOOPIA

Advancing international cooperation

Through the university NGO ULB-Cooperation and since 2026 UCOOPIA.

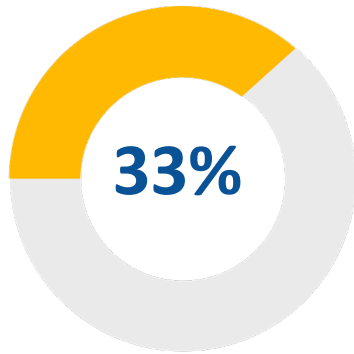


Engagement fort pour la durabilité

2019 : Adoption d'un Plan climat
2022 : Premier rapport de durabilité

Committed to sustainability

2019: Adoption of a Climate Plan
2022: First Sustainability Report



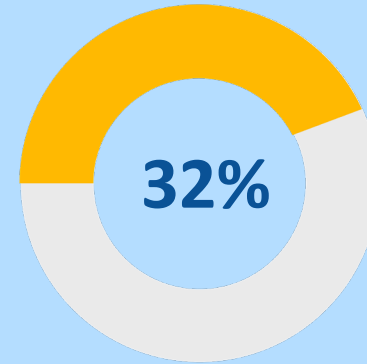
% d'étudiant·es internationaux (non belges)
% of international students (non-Belgian)

En provenance de l'UE
From the EU : 23%

Hors UE
From outside the EU : 10%

- Africa: 7%
- Asia: 2%
- America: 1%

Une Université internationale An international university



% du personnel académique et scientifique vient de l'étranger
% of academic and scientific staff members come from abroad

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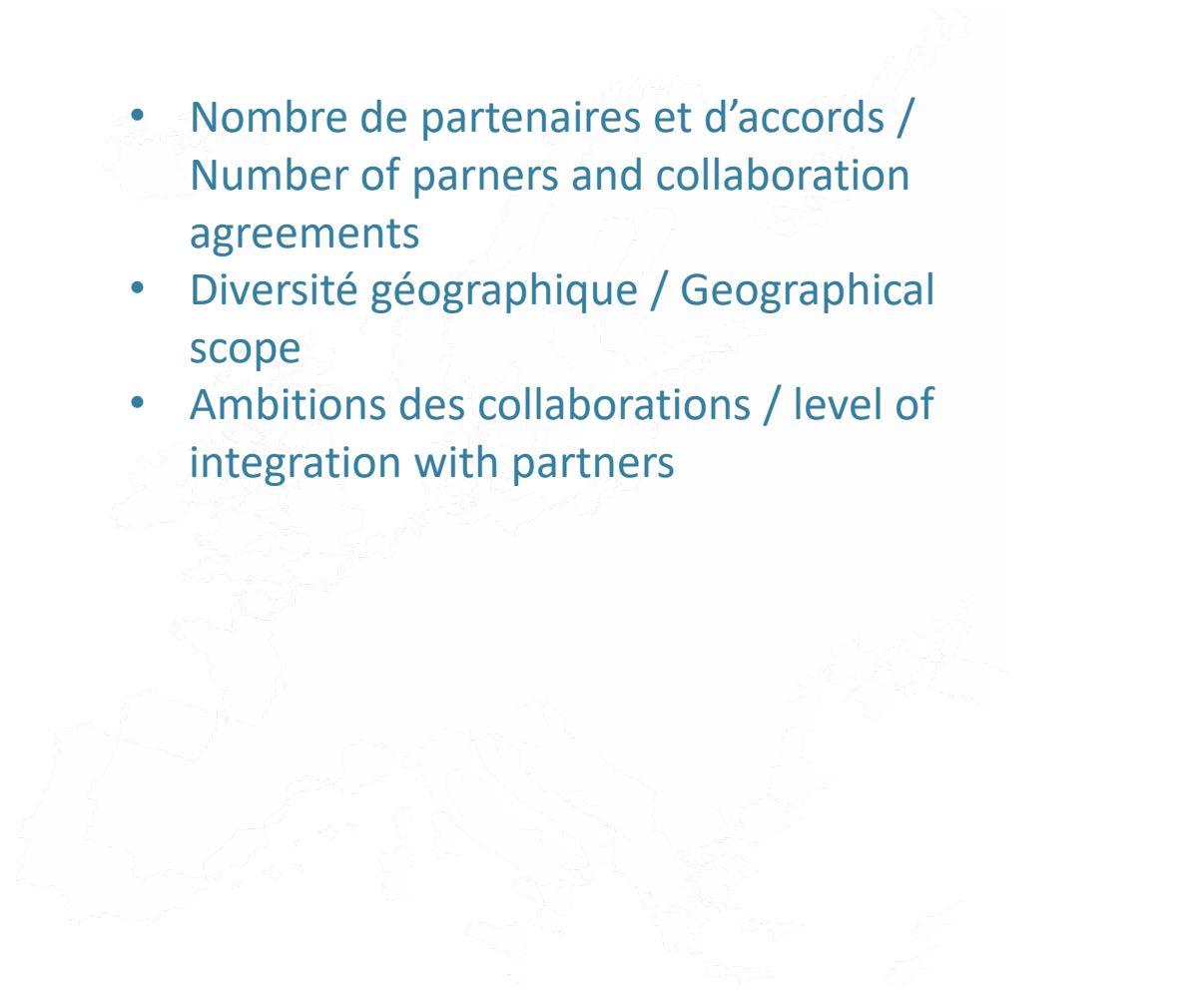


Près de 650 partenaires
internationaux dans 87
pays

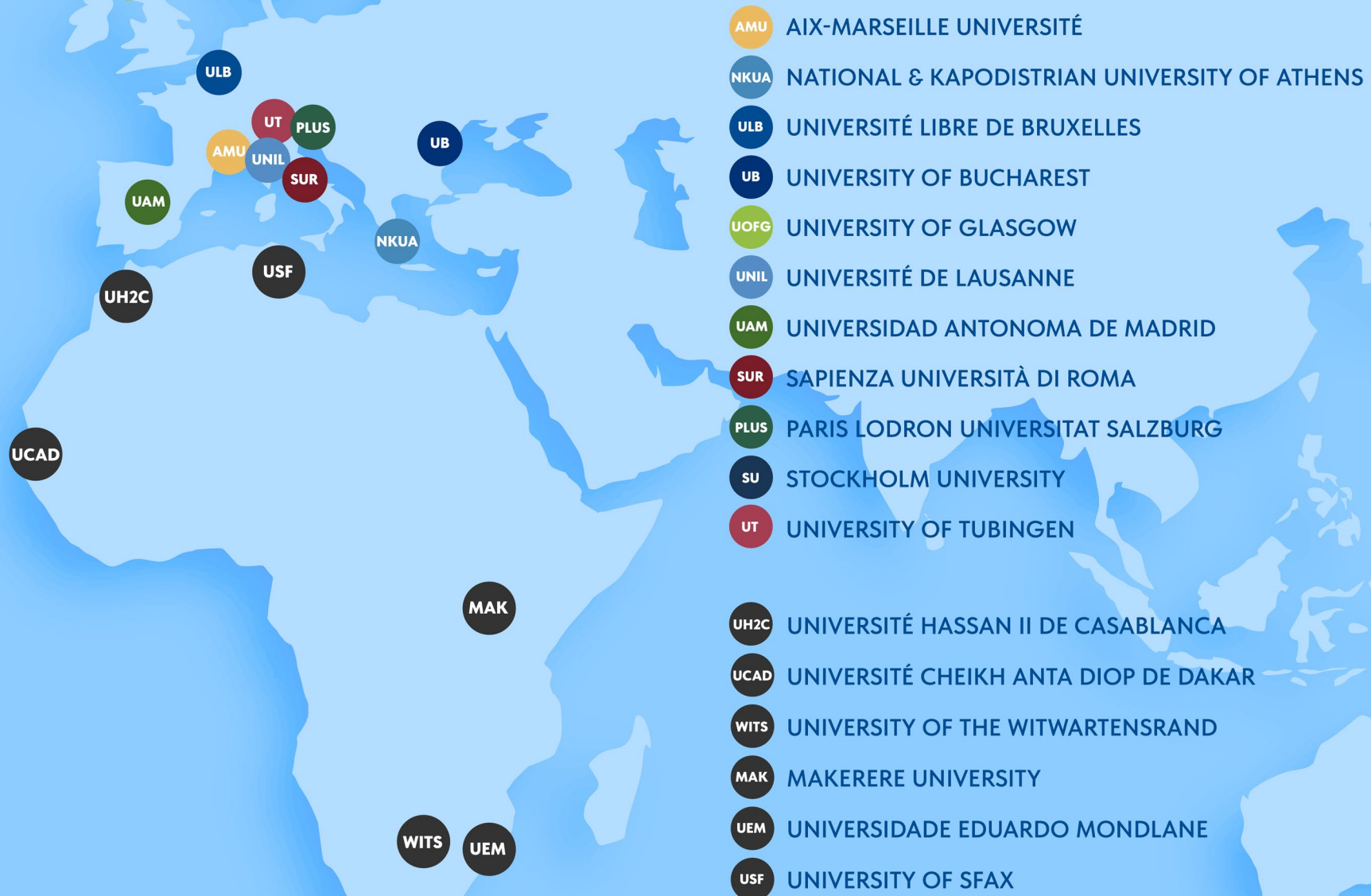
Nearly 650 international
partners across 87
countries

Ampleur des collaborations internationales Breadth of our international collaborations

- Nombre de partenaires et d'accords /
Number of partners and collaboration
agreements
- Diversité géographique / Geographical
scope
- Ambitions des collaborations / level of
integration with partners







- ▲ ULB, reflet de la ville/région de Bruxelles-capitale, profondément internationale et multiculturelle
- ▲ ULB mirrors Brussels, an international and multicultural capital city.
- ▲ Siège de nombreuses institutions européennes et internationales
- ▲ Home to many international decision-making centers (European institutions, NATO)



Au coeur du continent européen
In the heart of Europe



Delphine Dieudonné

Head of the International Welcome
Desk

WELCOME

Students on mobility programs (Erasmus/Erasmus Mundus/ARES CCD) your welcome pack will be distributed by your faculty coordinator.



The missions of the International Welcome Desk

- Welcome international students and researchers;
- Manage blocked accounts;
- Create a welcome strategy and improve the arrival and integration of all new international students/researchers on campus.

We would like to remind you that the ULB International Welcome Desk can help you with questions relating to visas and residence permits. **However, we are not in a position to speed up the application process with the Immigration Office or the town halls.**

Are you an Exchange student? The [Service de la mobilité étudiante](#) (SME) and your Faculty will take care of you.

Who are we?



Delphine Dieudonné
Head of the IWD and in
charge of welcoming
international researchers



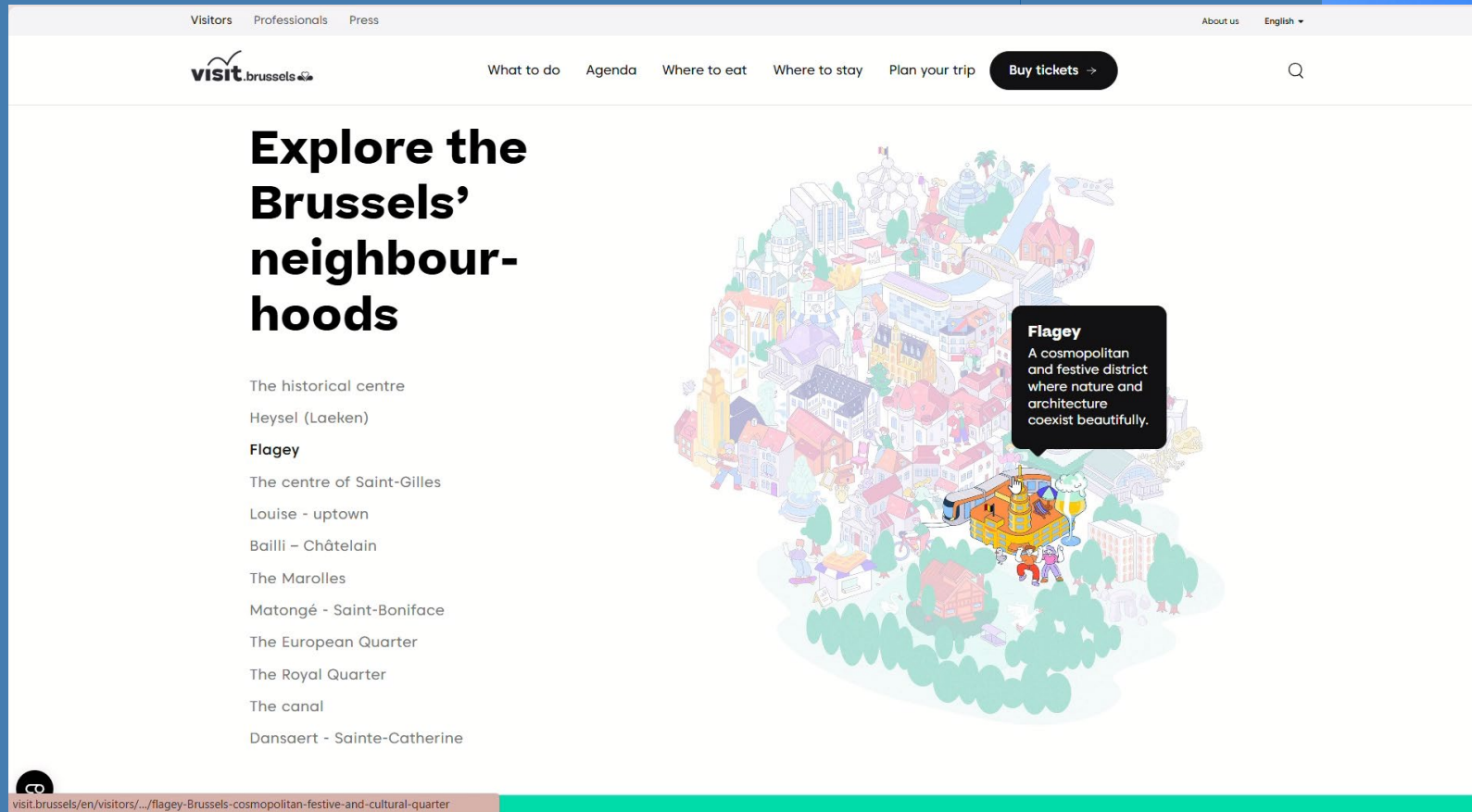
Alix Colomb
Administrative assistant
at the IWD - Blocked
account administrator



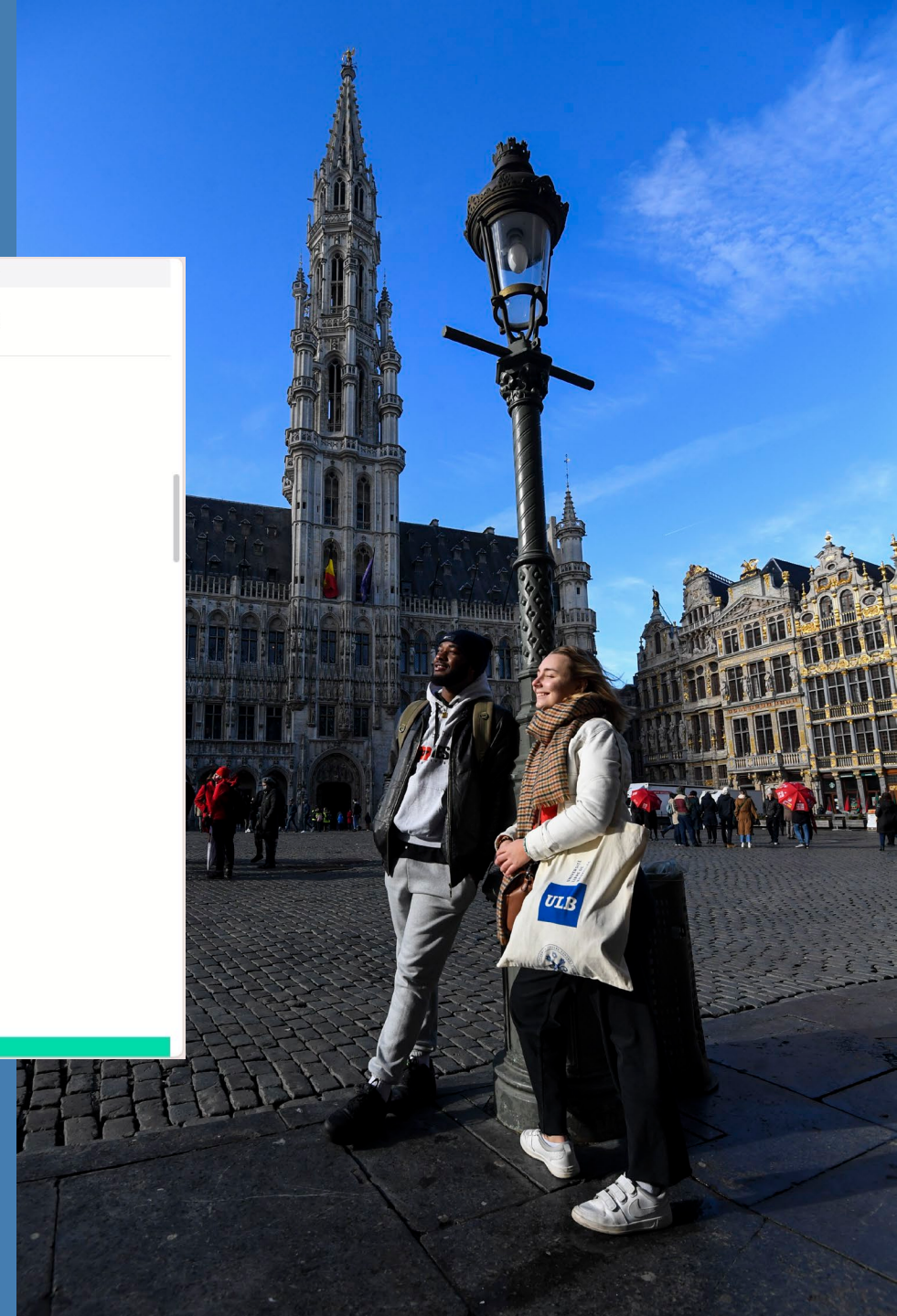
Rabia Bellaouadil
Administrative assistant
at the IWD

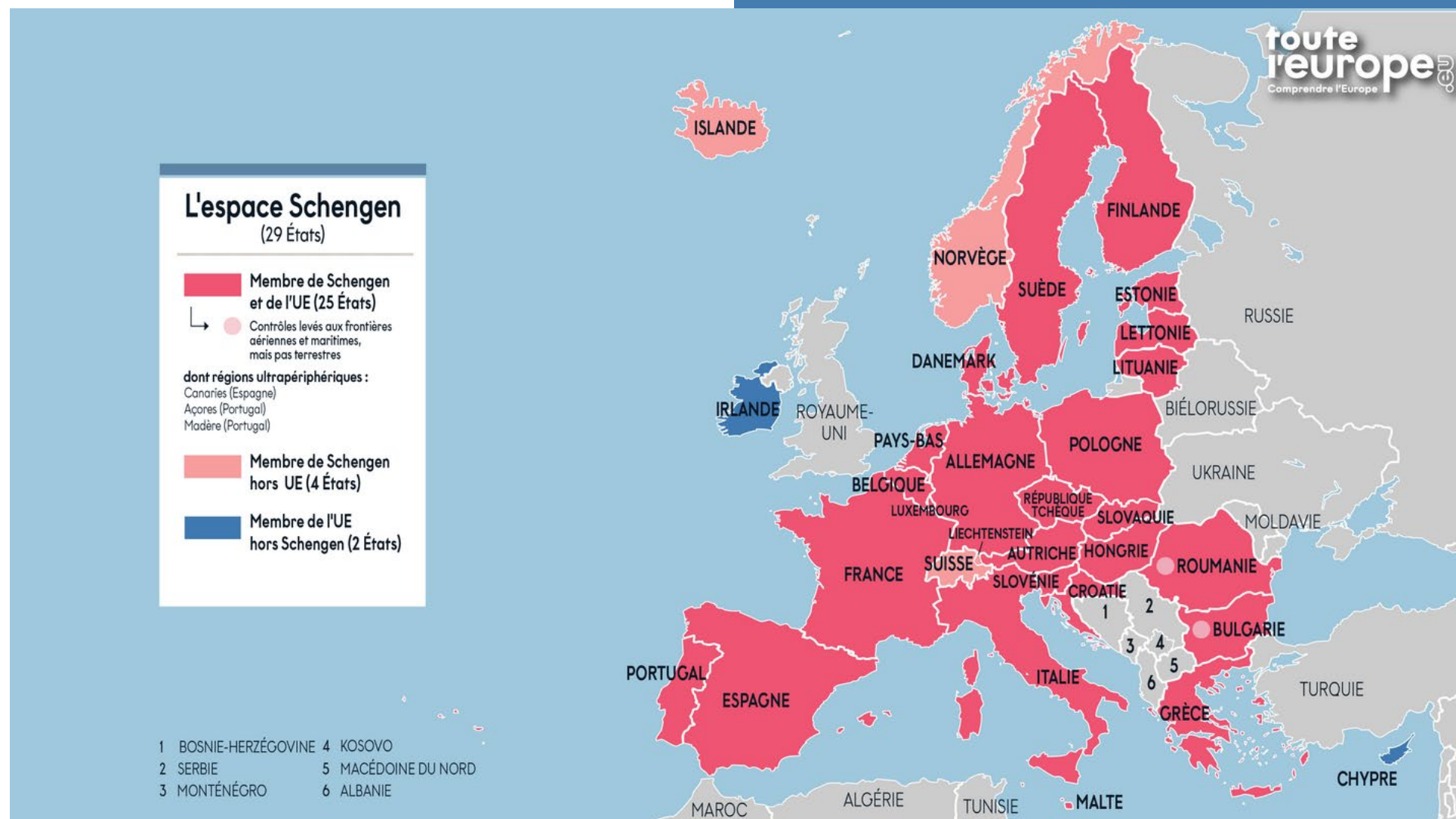


Life in Brussels



- Discover all the neighborhoods and what to do in Brussels via: [Visitors](#) | [Visit Brussels](#)





❖ Non-European citizen - Belgian VISA D holders

- **Make an appointment with your local town-hall** : visit the website of your town-hall to check how you should make an appointment (by phone, by email or online)
- **Required documents for your appointment:**
 - Passport
 - ULB registration letter
 - Proof of sufficient financial resources
 - guarantor;
 - scholarship;
 - or a blocked account
 - Health insurance certificate (*mutuelle*)



Annexe 15

- **The local police will visit** you and check that you do reside at the address you provided (do not forget to put your name on the bell and the letter-box)
- **Your residence permit** : you will first receive the codes of your residence card by post, and then you go to your local town-hall to collect your card (instructions for this will be provided with the codes)

❖ Non-European citizen – Mobility notification/Annexe 3 holders

Follow the same procedure and don't forget to bring your approval of mobility to your appointment



Annexe 33

Registration with your local municipality (*commune*)



❖ **European students**

Registration with the municipality is required for stays longer than 90 days.

Annex 1 requested by the Belgian authorities

Annexe 1 de l'arrêté ministériel du 28 mars 2022 déterminant les formulaires standard visés aux articles 99, 103 et 104/3 de l'arrêté royal du 8 octobre 1981 sur l'accès au territoire, le séjour, l'établissement et l'éloignement des étrangers.

MODÈLE DE FORMULAIRE STANDARD

pour l'obtention d'un visa ou d'un titre de séjour en tant qu'étudiant(e) (ressortissant d'un pays tiers), visé à l'article 99 de l'arrêté royal du 8 octobre 1981 sur l'accès au territoire, le séjour, l'établissement et l'éloignement des étrangers

Logo de l'établissement d'enseignement supérieur (*facultatif*) :

Je, soussigné(e) ⁽¹⁾

En ma qualité de représentant(e) de ⁽²⁾ :

Confirme que l'étudiant(e) ci-dessous :

Nom :

Prénom :

Date de naissance :

Nationalité :

- ☐ A obtenu une **inscription définitive** pour suivre des études supérieures à temps plein en qualité d'étudiant(e) régulièrement inscrit(e) durant l'année académique 20... - 20...
- ☐ Est accepté(e) au sein de l'établissement d'enseignement supérieur susmentionné comme **étudiant d'échange** du .../.../20... au .../.../20...
- ☐ Est inscrit(e) à une **année préparatoire** durant l'année académique 20... - 20...
- ☐ Est admis(e) aux études en vue de suivre des études supérieures à temps plein durant l'année académique 20... - 20... avec comme date ultime d'inscription le .../.../20... ⁽³⁾
- ☐ Est admis(e) à une **année préparatoire** durant l'année académique 20... - 20... avec comme date ultime d'inscription le .../.../20... ⁽³⁾
- ☐ Est inscrit(e) à un **examen ou une épreuve d'admission** pour suivre des études supérieures à temps plein durant l'année académique 20... - 20...



Registration with your local municipality Required documents

Already filled at the last page of your admission letter
This document is the document you used to apply for your visa

Mandatory registration to cover your health costs in Belgium

- **Many companies** : *Partenamut, Mutualité Chrétienne, CAAMI...*

Compare them here: <https://www.guide-epargne.be/epargner/comparer-mutualites.html>

- **The cost and cover** varies according to the insurance company you choose, but for each health expense, always a part remaining at your charge
- **Questions about registration? Ask the health insurance directly:**

📍 Parking Janson **TODAY** till 3.30 pm: [Partenamut](#) (booth 74) and [Mutualia neutre](#) (booth 75)

📍 The International Welcome Desk office (Avenue Jeanne 52)
Every Wednesday mornings 10am to 1pm from 16/09 to 07/10 for [Partenamut](#)

📍 **Online** for the Mutualité Chrétienne :
<https://www.mc.be/fr/international-student-in-belgium>

*Numerous health and well-being services offered by the ULB at a very low cost
: medical center with specialised doctors, psychologists, etc.*

Healthcare and well-being - ULB



Health insurance (*mutuelle*)



European exchange students

Registration at a Belgian *mutuelle* is not mandatory but highly recommended and is free of charge.

To open a Belgian bank account, you must first have received the *Annexe 15* (document issued by your municipality/*commune*)

Other required documents : passport/identity card (for European citizens), ULB registration letter, rental contract

- **Many banks** : ING, BNP, Belfius...

compare them here: <https://www.guide-epargne.be/epargner/taux/comparer-les-comptes-a-vue.html>

- To open a bank account earlier, you can open an online bank account with a neo-bank : Revolut, Wise, Nickel, etc.

- **Deadline** : as soon as possible



Open a bank account



European exchange students
Not necessary

Students can open an account as soon as they arrive in Belgium, without the waiting period typical of traditional banks.

To open a Nickel bank account, you need:

- A valid ID (190 passports accepted)
 - A phone number (foreign numbers are accepted, but they still recommend having a local number)
 - 25 euros for the annual fee
- The first cash deposit is free.
 - Questions about registration? Ask the bank directly:

📍 They have a booth (number 74) at parking Janson TODAY till 3.30pm



Open a Nickel bank account



- Brussels' **public transport** company is called **STIB**
- **Reductions** on monthly and annual plans for students under 25
- **To obtain a subscription :**
 - BOOTIK (ID, identity picture, ULB registration letter)
 - Kiosks to load your card
- **On board**, contactless payment only

Compare STIB products [here](#)



Public transport in Brussels

THE STIB-MIVB SCHOOL SEASON TICKET

Do you only travel with **STIB-MIVB**? The STIB-MIVB school season ticket for only **€ 12 a year** is the perfect solution!

The STIB-MIVB school season ticket is **valid for 12 months on the entire STIB-MIVB network** (bus, tram, metro), except from Brussels Airport with line 12.



HOW MUCH DOES A STIB-MIVB SCHOOL SEASON TICKET COST?

The fares for one year:

- First purchase: € 12
- Second purchase: € 12
- Third purchase and more within the same household: € 0

YOU DO NOT OWN A PERSONAL MOBIB CARD?

1. Go to one of our 5 [BOOTIK](#)
2. Ask for a STIB-MIVB school season ticket
3. Present your eID. If you're older than 18, you are also required to provide a [school certificate](#) (paper version only). You don't have an eID? Take another identity document and an ID photo
4. Pay € 5,00 for your MOBIB card and the price of your school season ticket

[It is also possible to buy your MOBIB card online.](#)





Life on the campus

ULB-Culture_: enjoy discounts and free tickets for cultural activities at ULB or with partners (theaters, museums, cinemas...). The pass costs 12,5€/year.

ULB Sports organises a wide range of sports activities on the various campuses of the University (Solbosch, Erasme, Charleroi). The activities take place throughout the entire academic year depending on specific programmes for 60€/year.

Access to the university canteen : several options on the campus all focused on healthy, sustainable, and ethical food. They offer tasty, balanced meals made with as many local and seasonal products as possible.
Check menus and prices : [Restaurants et commerces à l'ULB](#)

[And many student organizations](#)

Want more info ? [Campus life - ULB](#)

- [La Semaine d'Accueil des Nouveaux Étudiants \(SANE\)](#) from today 10th to the 14th of September:

TODAY on the Solbosch campus: booths from 10.30 am till 3.30pm

- ULB events (*Fighting November Blues* (date to be confirmed), *Cocktail des ambassadeurs*, etc.)

- **Discord ULB - International**

Application on which students can chat with other international students in order to create strong links before the start of the academic year and to exchange throughout the year.



The registration link will be sent after the welcome session



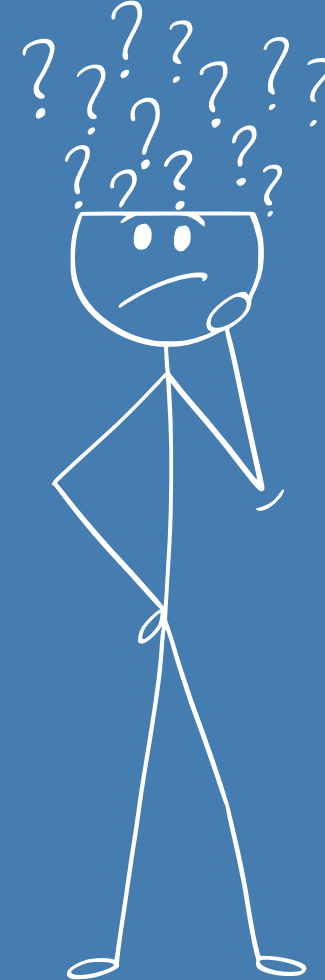
Integration at ULB



- **Intensive French courses** given by [ULB Langues](#) as well as language tandems, conversation tables in other languages.
- **The [FLE/FLU program](#)** at ULB provides tailored language support to help students meet the academic demands of French-speaking higher education.
- **The [SAA](#)** (service d'aide aux apprentissages) – learning support service help you put in place effective learning strategies
- **The [SSE](#)** (service social étudiant) – student social service provide support and guidance to help students overcome financial, social, or accessibility-related challenges throughout their studies.



Need help during your studies?



Service	Link
Your registration -> Registration Office	https://www.ulb.be/en/enrolment/contacts
Recognition of qualifications (equivalence request)	https://equivalences.cfwb.be/
Arrival in Belgium: visa, commune registration, health insurance → International Welcome Desk	https://www.ulb.be/en/non-exchange-international-students
Your courses, groups, study information → Your faculty	Nos facultés, institut et écoles - ULB
Accommodation → Housing Office	https://www.ulb.be/en/campus-life/accommodation
Life on ULB campuses	https://www.ulb.be/en/campus-life
Health and well-being	https://www.ulb.be/en/campus-life/healthcare-and-well-being
Choosing your studies, reorientation → InfOR-études	https://www.ulb.be/fr/s-informer-s-orienter/contacts-et-permanences
Language courses → ULB Languages	https://langues.ulb.be/en
Student job	https://www.ulb.be/fr/aides-services-et-accompagnement/besoin-d-un-job
Academic difficulties	https://www.ulb.be/fr/vie-sur-les-campus/se-preparer-et-reussir-ses-etudes
Support, services and assistance	https://www.ulb.be/en/aid-services-and-support
How to get to campus, where is my lecture hall?	https://www.ulb.be/en/solbosch/campus-map

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Contact us

[Our web page](#)

welcome@ulb.be

 Book [an appointment](#) with us



Our [Instagram](#) account



The International Welcome Desk



International
Welcome
Desk



Join us :



Tristan Trafalski

Registration Office

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Complete your registration at ULB

- ▲ [Tutorial](#) (in French): last steps to validate the registration

 - ▲ Your registration is finalized when :
 - All supporting documents have been approved (registrations are not validated before July 01 2026)
 - First payment of the tuition fee is made (minimum 50 euros) before October 31 2026 (via the MonULB portal and the rest of the minerval must reach us by January 31 2027 at the latest)

 - ▲ MonULB becomes your student portal
 - All useful certificates online (proof of registration, certificate for public transport) on receipt of payment of €50
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Once the registration is complete

▲ The student card

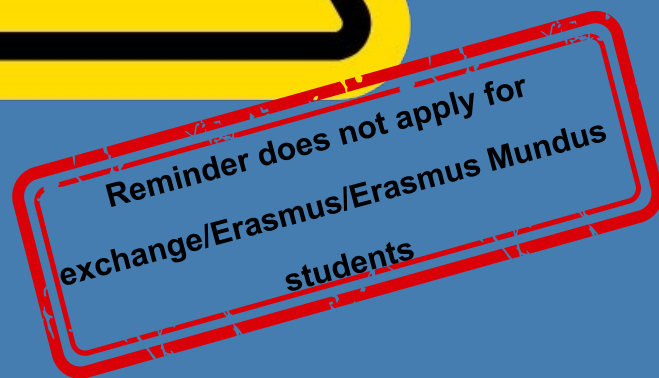
- **For regular students**

Available from September at the Registration Office (Solbosch Campus, Building S, 4th floor) **if the correspondence address is abroad.**

Delivered to the correspondence address **if it is located in Belgium.**

- **For exchange students (Erasmus):**

Available in September (arrival 1st quadrimester) or February (arrival 2nd quadrimester) will be given to you by your Faculty mobility coordinator.

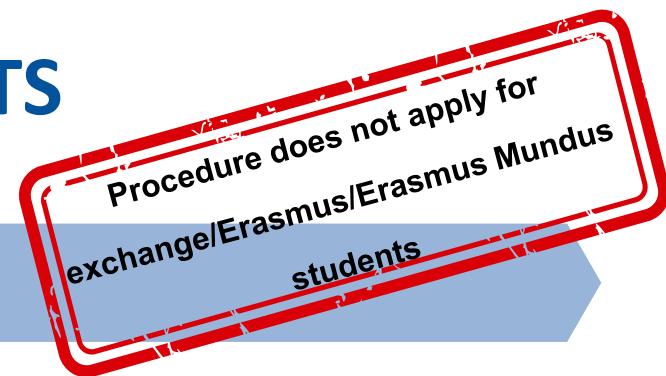


Reminder

Registration remains provisional for students awaiting secondary school diploma equivalence (to be regularized before December 1, 2026). The issuance of the equivalence is handled by the Equivalences Service of the Wallonia-Brussels Federation (FWB).

WARNING: If you have not received a positive decision for your visa, please unregister before **November 30** to avoid being liable for the full tuition fee and to ensure that the year is not counted towards your funding eligibility.

KEY DATES FOR REGULAR STUDENTS



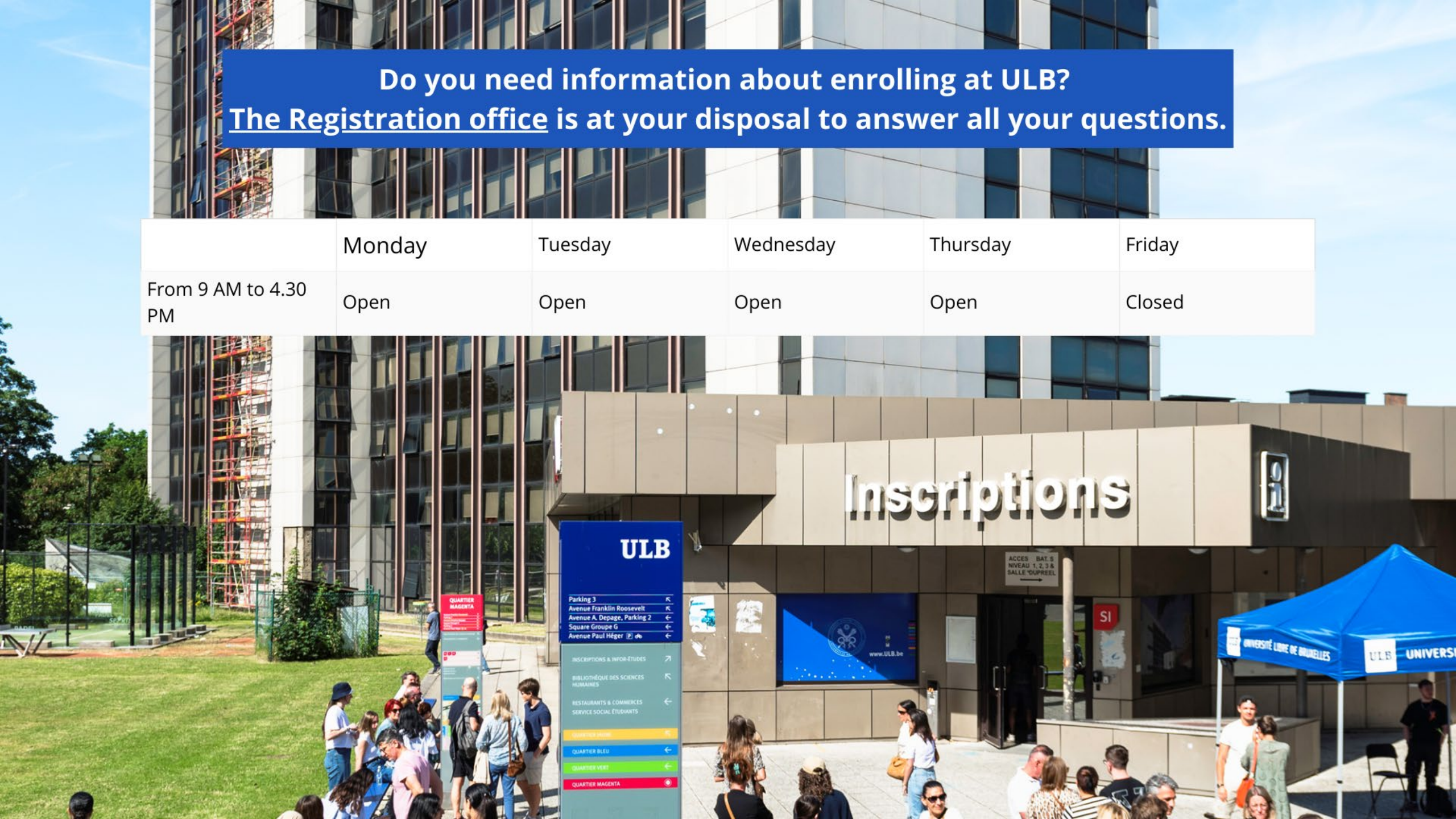
Month	Deadline	Task
• October	25th of October	• Acceptance of registration with missing documents
	31st of October	• Payment of deposit to our account. Online payment strongly recommended. <u>No cash</u>
• November	30th of November	• Submission of equivalence for Ba1 registration. We will provide further information on equivalence, but please note that we are not in charge of the equivalence process. No submission by this date will result in unregistration. If the equivalence does not give access, the person can reorient themselves in another course to which they have access and for which the Commission's criteria are met (this is the only case).
	30th of November	• Submission of DAES → The no submission by this date will result in unregistration.
	30th of November	• Unregistration → by 30/11 at the latest, otherwise the student is liable for the remaining balance of the entire minerval.
• January	31st of January	• Payment of the entire tuition (minerval) into our account. Online payment strongly recommended. <u>No cash</u>
• May	25th of May	• Delivery of final diplomas (if provisional diploma supplied on admission).

Modification of registration: does not apply to non-assimilated students.



Do you need information about enrolling at ULB?
The Registration office is at your disposal to answer all your questions.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
From 9 AM to 4.30 PM	Open	Open	Open	Open	Closed



Aya Tarmidi

**President of Erasmus Student
Network ULB Brussels**

Valery Fievez

**Vice President of Erasmus Student
Network ULB Brussels**

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Welcome !



ESN



Erasmus Student Network
ULB Brussels

2026 - 2027





What is ESN ?



Erasmus Student
Network

Council of Europe
funding and
Eramus+ program



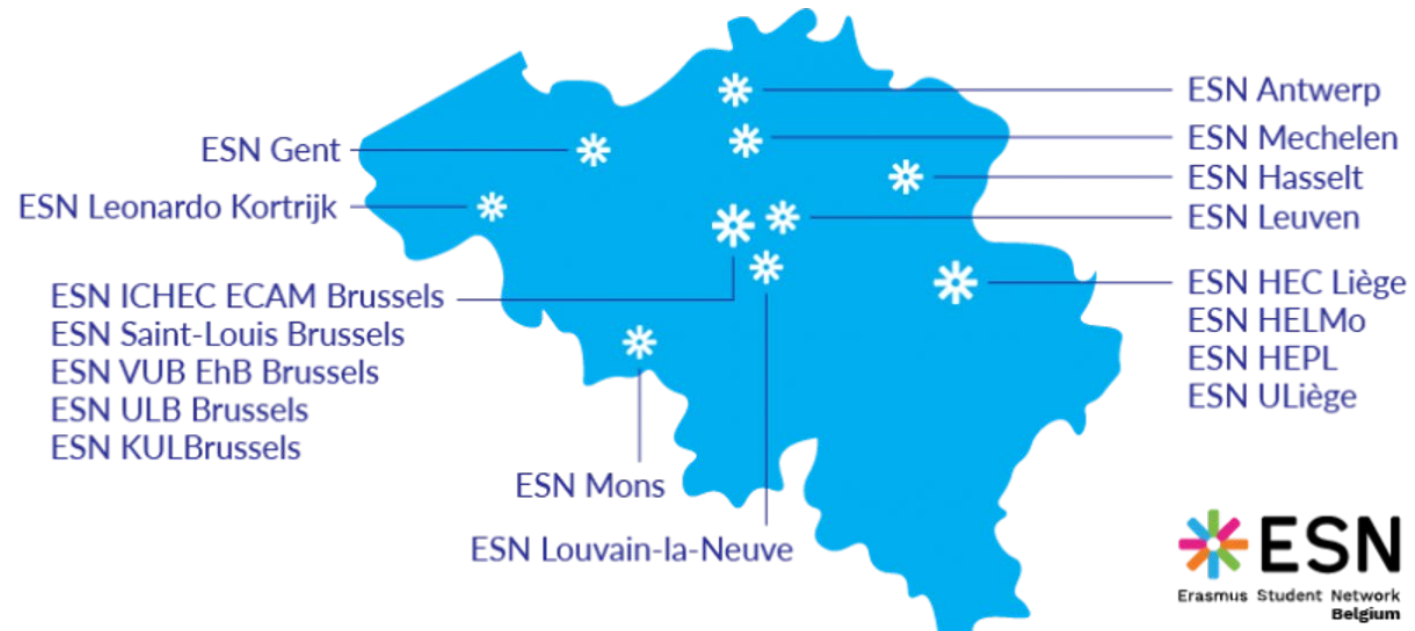
Events, Parties,
Trips ...



STUDENTS
FOR
STUDENTS



ESN in Belgium



- 17 sections
- We are active since 2019 in ESN



Missions

Welcome



Support



Integrate



Create
UNFORGETTABLE
Memories



To be part of ESN ULB Brussels

Exchange/international students:

- ⇒ Participate to the activities (trips, parties, events, discovery of the Belgian culture, meetings between international students,...)

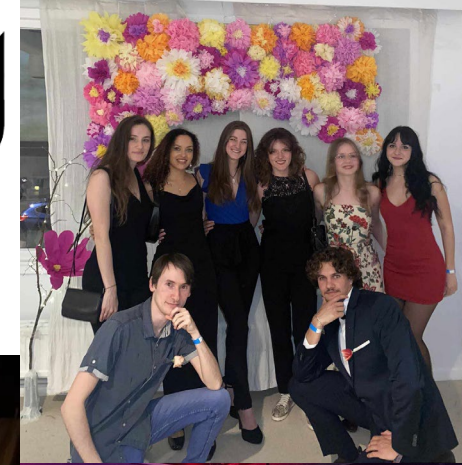
Local/regular students:

- ⇒ Organize / support the organization of activities
- ⇒ Take part in the team buildings
- ⇒ Training, personal development
- ⇒ Networking
- ⇒ Language practice

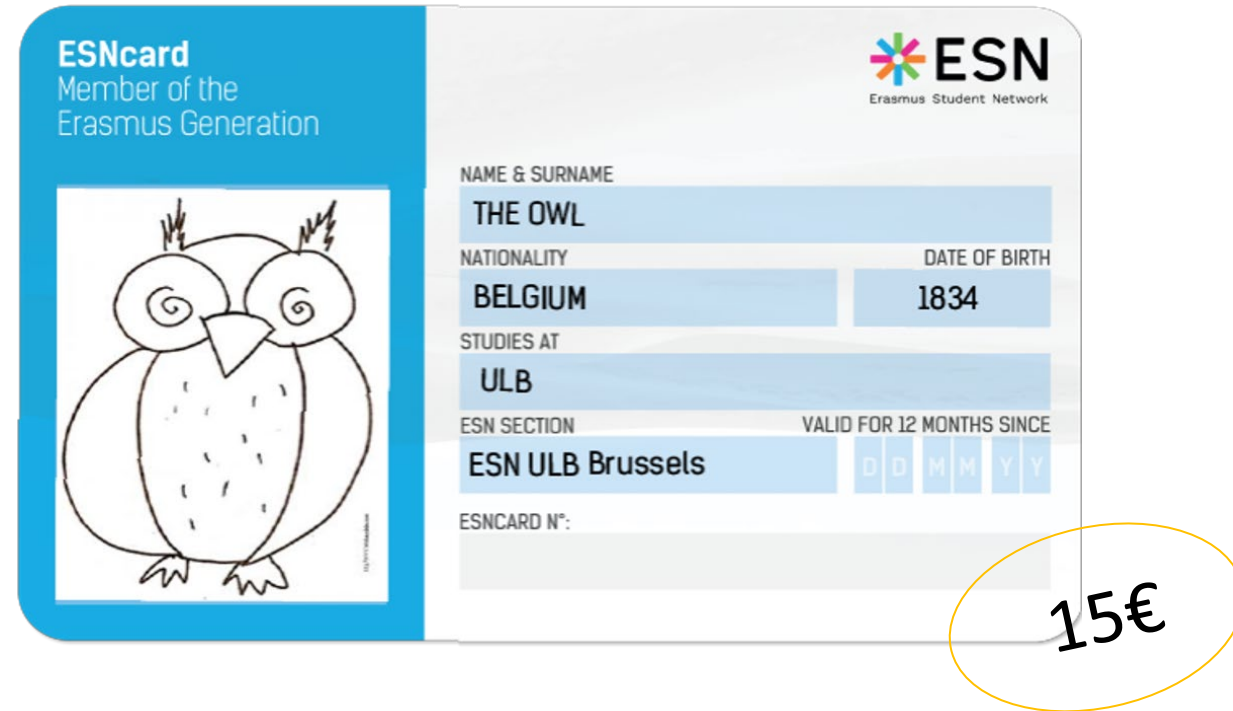


Our lovely team !





ESNcard



- Discounts with Ryanair, Spotahome, flibus, Samsung Tomorrowland, ... with local partners and with us !
- Weekly sales on the campus (H2.162)

BUDDY SYSTEM

Would you enjoy discovering the local culture and practice a new language? Would you like to meet local students?

Join here:



Follow US !!!



esn_ulb_brussels@esnbelgium.com

<https://esnulbbrussels.org/>



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➤ Solbosch campus

 **Today with ESN**

2.15pm: Departure from the building K entry hall

 **Friday 11/9 and Monday 14/9**

- First visit at 8.45 am and last at 4pm

Departure from Paul Héger Avenue - In front of Simone Veil (BSH) library

➤ Erasme campus

 **Monday 14/9 and Tuesday 15/9**

- 3 visits at 8.45 am, 12.30 am and last at 3pm

Departure from Departure from the university square



What's next?



Online guided tours

➤ Solbosch campus

[Visites guidées des campus : le Solbosch \(FRST\)](#)

➤ Erasme campus

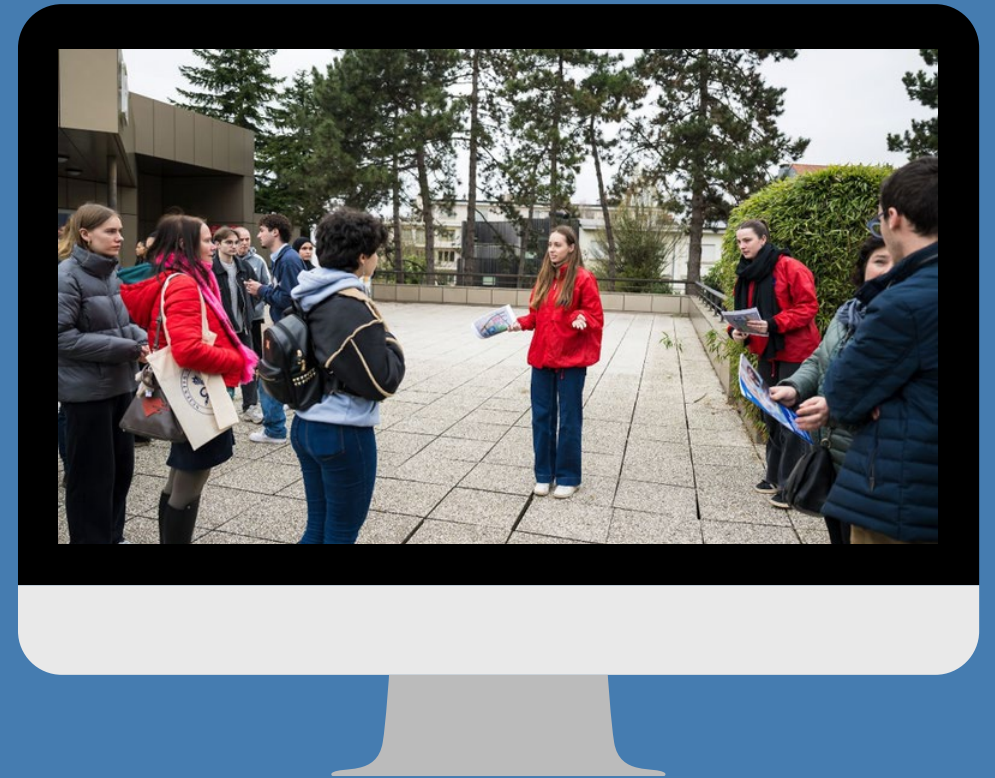
[Visites guidées des campus : Erasme \(ENST\)](#)

➤ La Plaine campus

[Visites guidées des campus : la Plaine \(ENST\)](#)



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