



ERASMUS EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

EMPOWERING PEOPLE IN CHANGING SOCIETIES

Welcome!

Have you always wanted to study abroad but do you find it hard to choose a destination?

Well, **University College Leuven-Limburg** (UCLL) has a very attractive offer for you! Come to **Belgium**, in the heart of Europe, with Brussels host to European and international institutions. Moreover, Belgium is not only famous for its beer, fries, waffles and chocolates but also for its excellent education.

What can you expect?

A multidisciplinary, varied and challenging programme, **30 ECTS credits** offered by the Departments social work, child and youth care and socio-educational care work, all part of the Group Health and Social work within UCLL. The courses offer not just theory but also focus on policies and the development of students' professional skills and competences.

Who can join?

Students from an EU member state in Social Work, Social Care, Social Pedagogy at a bachelor or master level in the second stage of their study. Since all courses are taught in English, students need a B1/B2 level of English.

Where?

Courses take place on Campus in Leuven and Diepenbeek. Students live in Leuven.

When?

The programme runs in the second semester of the academic year. From the beginning of February until the end of May. Students can participate in the UCLL introduction week for international students prior to the start of the programme.

Questions?

You can contact the programme coordinator

Ann Morissens @ ann.morissens@ucll.be

STUDY PROGRAMME

Creative methods for professionals

Students learn to approach complex issues in a creative way and to put them into practice. The focus is on children, youngsters and the support of their context (6 ECTS).

Cultural communication

Do's and don'ts for communicating in diverse and intercultural societies and international settings (3 ECTS).

Dutch

Spreek jij al Nederlands? A first introduction to Dutch and hands-on experience (3 ECTS).

European studies

Offers a brief overview of the history of the EU and students gain insight in the EU institutions and how policy is made at EU level (3 ECTS).

Policy analysis on social issues

Students learn about different welfare systems and how they deal with the current social issues and current challenges poverty, migration, youth care, ageing in a comparative perspective (3 ECTS).

Social and ethical issues in information technology

Deals with the challenges related to the increasing use of social media and information technology (3 ECTS).

Social issues from a professional perspective

In this course students study best practices in the field. They elaborate their own opinion in their comparative research (6 ECTS).

Public awareness about social issues

Students develop a product to raise public awareness about social issues with the aim to increase support and to sensibilise people (3 ECTS).

STUDENTS' EXPERIENCES

'When I started looking for an exchange destination, I was not sure where to go. Once I discovered we had partner schools in Belgium, I knew it was my place!'

Jenny

'For me going abroad to study and live as an exchange student is an ultimate dream waiting to happen. It is like an adventure and challenge at the same time.'

Karlos

INTERNSHIPS

Next to the Erasmus exchange programme, UCLL Group Health and Social Work also offers students the possibility to do an internship in Belgium. An internship corresponds to 30 ECTS.

If you are interested in this possibility you can contact the programme coordinator Ann Morissens for more information.

PRACTICAL

LOCATION

UCLL Campuses in Leuven and Diepenbeek.

COSTS

Students pay tuition in their home country. Students pay for travel, accommodation, daily costs, transportation and excursions. An Erasmus grant can help to cover some of these costs.

ACCOMMODATION

Students live in Leuven and receive help from the International Office to find a place to live. Leuven is a very attractive town with plenty of activities.

REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION

www.ucll.be/exchange-student-application

www.facebook.com/changingsocieties

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