

Exchange Programmes: Key data

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HOUSING

UNIVERSITY RESIDENCE HALLS

The KU Leuven has reserved about **1100** of its **2800** non-subsidized university residence rooms to house international students. These rooms are randomly located amongst rooms for Flemish students and they are spread over **14** residences across the City of Leuven. The offer of rooms in university residences is limited.

You can find more information concerning these rooms and an application form on the following website:

<https://www.kuleuven.be/english/student-services/housing-leuven/housing-options/residence-halls/cerab/AccommodationforInternationalstudents>

Practical arrangements (date of arrival, what to do on arrival, checking in ...) can be made directly with the landlord.

PRIVATE MARKET

Most exchange students stay in individual rooms with shared facilities in houses on the local private housing market. Information regarding private accommodation in Leuven for exchange students can be found on

<https://www.kuleuven.be/english/life-at-ku-leuven/housing/find-housing/students/student-housing-in-leuven/index.html>

Check this site for the latest information!

Single room: furnished, kitchen and bathroom to share with other students in the house. Blankets, sheets and pillows are usually NOT provided! Average price private market: **€ 389** /month (*).

The average price for a single room with private comfort, e.g. a private toilet or kitchen, is **€ 517** / month (*).

Studio: furnished, private kitchen and bathroom. Blankets, sheets and pillows are NOT provided! Average price private market: **€ 547** /month (*).

(* Average prices for previous academic year.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2022-2023

Tuesday 16 August 2022	Start of the registration period for 2022-2023
Monday 19 September 2022 till Sunday 25 September 2022	Orientation Days for all new incoming international students of Campus Leuven Welcome and information sessions www.kuleuven.be/orientationdays
Monday 26 September 2022	Opening ceremony of the academic year 2022-2023
Tuesday 27 September 2022	Start of classes in the first semester of 2022-2023
Saturday 24 December 2022	End of classes in the first semester
Saturday 24 December 2022 till Sunday 8 January 2023	Christmas and New Year holidays
Monday 09 January – Sunday 15 January 2023	Exam preparation. No classes
Monday 16 January – Saturday 4 February 2023	First semester exams (*)
7 days after the announcement of the exam results	Period for consultation of the exams (**).
Thursday 02 February 2023	Patron's Feast Day – university offices will be closed!
Saturday 04 February 2023 – Sunday 12 February 2023	Mid-year break. No classes
Monday 06 February 2023 till Sunday 12 February 2023	Orientation Days for all new incoming international students of Campus Leuven Welcome and information sessions www.kuleuven.be/orientationdays
Monday 13 February 2023	Start of classes in the second semester
Saturday 1 April 2023 – Sunday 16 April 2023	Easter holidays
Saturday 27 May 2023	End of classes in the second semester
Saturday 27 May 2023 – Sunday 11 June 2023	Exam preparation. No classes
Monday 12 June 2023 – Saturday 01 July 2023	Second semester exams (*)
7 days after the announcement of the exam results	Period for consultation of the exams (**).
Wednesday 16 August 2023	Start of the registration period for 2023-2024
Monday 21 August – Saturday 09 Sept. 2023	Examination retakes for failed students 2022-2023 (*)
7 days after the announcement of the exam results	Period for consultation of the exams (**).
Monday 25 September 2023	Opening ceremony of the academic year 2023-2024
(*) In some faculties exams start earlier! Please ask your exchange programme coordinator.	
(**) This period can be different for each faculty. Please ask the exchange programme co-ordinator. See for contact data http://www.kuleuven.be/english/admissions/exchange/coordinators	

EXCHANGE PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATORS AND CONTACT PERSONS

Co-ordinators at faculty level

See <https://www.kuleuven.be/english/admissions/exchange/coordinators>

INTRODUCTORY DUTCH COURSES

At the request of the International Office, the **Leuven Language Institute** organises 'Dutch for Foreign Students' courses. These are **introductory Dutch language courses** and they are **only open to Erasmus students**. On presentation of the Erasmus-student card these courses are offered free.

- The course lasts 3 months and is meant for beginning students in order to activate communication through conversational exercises. It is a practical course based on the principles of Dutch grammar. The aim is to make students acquainted with the vocabulary of every-day life.

Students who already have a basic or advanced level of Dutch can gain entry to one of the higher levels of the regular courses if they pass the placement test.

In total, 5 basic levels and 1 perfection level of Dutch are taught.

The level 1 to 5 modules can be taken either intensively (12 hours/week) or over a more extended period (6 hours/week).

The perfection level 6 is only offered at a pace of 6 hours/week.

Besides the courses throughout the academic year, the ILT also offers a full-time **intensive summer course** in Dutch language and culture.

The course consists of 80 hours and takes place **from Friday 29 July 2022 till Friday 26 August 2022** (20 hours a week).

The course is open to undergraduates and graduates of all areas of study who wish to improve their knowledge of and communicative skills in Dutch.

The communicative approach is used in all 5 levels.

Besides the theoretical courses, many conversational exercises and complementary activities are planned (lectures, cultural happening, trip etc.).

The course is intended for students of different levels, from beginners to intermediate and advanced. The tuition fee is **€ 400** for all students.

For the latest information, please visit the ILT website: <http://ilt.kuleuven.be/>

REGISTRATION OF EXCHANGE STUDENTS AT KU LEUVEN

Exchange students with *EEA citizenship*

(EEA: **European Economic Area**: 27 countries of European Union plus Iceland, Norway and Liechtenstein)

➔ upon arrival please attend one of the **Compulsory Info Sessions for Exchange Students at KU Leuven** for which you have already registered.

For up-to-date information about the registration procedure at KU Leuven please have a look at

<https://www.kuleuven.be/english/admissions/exchange/index>

<https://www.kuleuven.be/english/admissions/exchange/Leuven>

Exchange students with *non-EEA citizenship*

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<https://www.kuleuven.be/english/admissions/exchange/Leuven>

EEA- and non-EEA-students:

please read the information about insurances and health care in our brochure "**Living in Leuven**" which can also be found on <https://www.kuleuven.be/english/studentsservices/pangaea/orientation-days/pdf/living-in-leuven-brochure>

Compulsory Info Sessions for Exchange Students at KU Leuven:

Campus Leuven: <https://www.kuleuven.be/english/admissions/exchange/Leuven>

Campus Group T Leuven: <https://www.kuleuven.be/english/admissions/exchange/group>