WELCOME INFOSESSION BRUFACE STUDENTS 2020
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Welcome

Info session for Bruface students

- Who is here today?
  - ULB students and VUB students
  - International students and Belgian students

- Host: Pauline De Pelsmacker, Internationalisation Coordinator at VUB
- Presenter: Hélène Fréché, Brussels University Alliance (BUA)

- Questions can be asked through the Q&A box and will be answered at the end of the session
• Alliance between ULB and VUB, created in 2010

• Main goals:
  • Develop synergies and joint projects between the two Brussels universities in the following areas:
    • Teaching
    • Infrastructures and logistics
    • Research
    • Community services

• Masters of Bruface as the first joint teaching project between ULB and VUB

History of Bruface
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- ULB and VUB have common roots:
  - 1834 Creation of the Université Libre de Belgique by Theodore Verhaegen (20/11/1834)
  - 1842 Université Libre de Belgique renamed Université Libre de Bruxelles
- 1890 First courses in Dutch in the Faculty of Law
- 1963 All faculties offers courses in Dutch / are bilingual
History of Bruface

1969  Belgium becomes a federal state
ULB and VUB become separate, birth of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel. Full programs in Dutch
History of Bruface

• 2011 VUB and ULB Engineering Faculties introduce jointly 4 Masters (double degree): Architectural Engineering, Civil Engineering, Chemical and Material Engineering, Electromechanical Engineering

• 2012: VUB and ULB introduce jointly Master in Electrical Engineering

• 2016 First 5 interregional Joint Master Degrees

• Today
  • Classes on both campuses, by professors from both universities
  • Classes are mixed with Dutch, French and English-speaking students
  • Joint degree from two universities
  • First joint graduate ceremony in December 2019 (ca 200 graduates every year)
Overview of programmes

• 5 additional engineering programmes at VUB
• 3 additional engineering programmes at ULB
The difference between a ULB and VUB registration/enrolment

Students from:
- EEA
- French speaking or Walloon region

Students from:
- Outside EEA
- Dutch speaking or Flemish region

For administrative issues, support, your student file, enrolment details and certificates, ... you are best to consult the secretariat of the university where you are enrolled.
Getting from one campus to the other

- 25 min walk
- 15 min tram (lines 7 of 25)
- 10 min by bike
General information

Reaching the ULB campus

General information

Reaching the VUB campus

https://www.vub.be/toegang-en-parkeren#campuswerken

https://student.vub.be/openbaar-vervoer#mivb:-metro,-bus,-tram
General information

On campus: where to find the secretariats?

ULB campus solbosch

Building U
gate B
4th floor secretariat

Registration
Building S
4th floor

Building K
2nd floor secretariat

Building D
General information

(ULB) S.UB4.136
- campus
- Solbosch
- Building
- Gate
- Room
- Floor

(VUB).K.3.116
- campus
- Building
- Floor
On campus: facilities

• Most of the facilities are accessible with both student cards

• Examples:
  • Library, study spaces, computer rooms
  • Restaurant, student bar, lunch bar
  • Swimming pool, athletics track, gym, football field
Learning platforms

- **Aim:**
  - Communication with students by professors and faculty staff
  - Course overview
  - Recordings, documents, assignments, ...

- **Each university has its own learning platform**

Université Virtuelle/Moodle

ULB

VUB

Canvas
Learning platforms

• As a VUB student: automatic access

• As a ULB student: please register as a guest student at VUB:
  • https://student.vub.be/en/specific-info-for-guest-students#application

• Issues or questions? Please contact your secretariat

• No registration = no access to courses, recordings, messages...
Time tables
• Each university has their own system, but content is the same:

• Time tables are synchronized every week; it is best to check your schedule each week, for instance on Sunday evening

• Issues or questions? Contact Jacques De Ruyck jdruyck@vub.be
Year calendar

- Start academic year: 14 September 2020 (at ULB)
- After New Year: VUB calendar leads
- Courses are mostly organized in blocks of 6 weeks
- 2 exam periods per year (January and June)
- 3 holidays: Christmas, mid-term and Easter
- Academic calendar can be consulted on Bruface website
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Secretariat

• ULB: Polytech@ulb.be (Building U, Gate B, 4th floor)

• VUB: facultyofengineering@vub.be (Building K, 2nd floor)

• Internationalisation Coordinator at ULB:
  • Lucyna Mudyn, Lucyna.Mudyn@ulb.be (international full students),
  • Rose-Marie Brynaert, Rose-Marie.Brynaert@ulb.be (exchange students)

• Internationalisation Coordinator at VUB:
  • Pauline De Pelsmacker, pauline.de.pelsmacker@vub.be

Ombudsperson: prof. Danny Van Hemelrijck,
Danny.Van.Hemelrijck@vub.ac.be
More information

• **Infosessions:**
  • For VUB International students: 11 September, 14h00-16h00

• **Campus tours at VUB:**
  • For VUB International students and ULB guest students: 17 September, 14-15h: registration is mandatory for the afternoon tour via [https://student.vub.be/onthaaldagen-orientationdays#orientation-days](https://student.vub.be/onthaaldagen-orientationdays#orientation-days)

• **Virtual Tour ULB**
  • [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b3nwzrEN44Q&list=PLtWiu4yEvwjblIW8wpysZr1K7gEvvsFGz_&index=2&t=0s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b3nwzrEN44Q&list=PLtWiu4yEvwjblIW8wpysZr1K7gEvvsFGz_&index=2&t=0s)

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