



STUDYING AT ULB

THE ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2020-2021

The academic year begins in mid-September. The first term ends in January; the second term runs from February to June.

Here you will find the indicative dates of the holiday breaks and exams. Please note that some of your classes may exceptionally take place during these too!

14th September 2020	Start of the academic year
From 21/12 to 03/01	Winter break
From 04/01 to 24/01	1st semester exams
From 25/01 to 31/01	Semester Break
1st February 2021	Start of the second semester
From 05/04 to 18/04	Spring holiday
From 24/05 to 27/06	2nd semester exams
From 28/06	Summer holiday

COURSE REGISTRATION

Most of our faculties do not require prior registration for participating in courses. Students present themselves at classes after finding out when and where they take place. This information is posted either on each faculty's website under «valves électroniques» or on the faculty bulletin boards situated near the faculty Secretariats.



PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

One year of studies for a full-time student is 60 credits (i.e. 1,800 hours of work on average).

Each course (also referred to as a Course Unit or CU) is worth a certain number of credits, which represent the student's workload. At ULB, all CUs are worth either 5 or a multiple of 5 credits, except for courses organised by non-University partners. For every course you pass, you will be awarded the appropriate number of credits.

GRADING SYSTEM

Following exams (oral and/or written), the final assessment will be expressed as a score between 0 and 20. To pass a course unit, you need to obtain a grade of at least 10/20.

ULB uses the ECTS grading table to offer students the opportunity to compare their exam results with those of a larger student population (on a faculty level or for the whole university).

At the end of an exchange stay at the ULB, exam results are sent by the host faculty directly to the exchange student's home university.