

# Why choose the Wallonia-Brussels Federation?



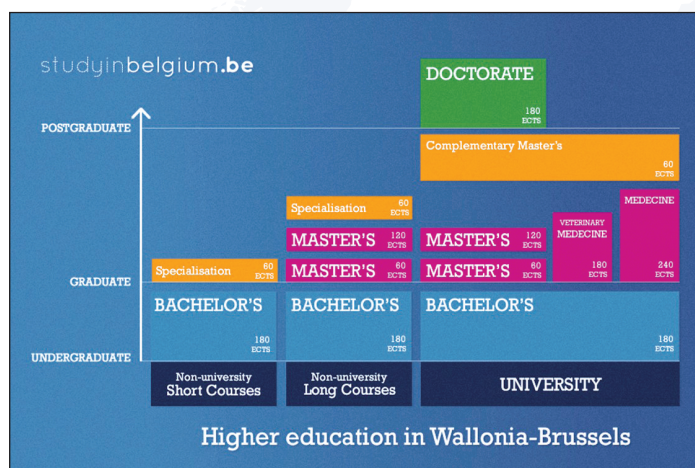
## 1. To study at the heart of Europe

Headquarters of the Council of the European Union and the European Commission, of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and over 1000 international organisations, Brussels is the de facto capital of Europe.

The Wallonia-Brussels Federation is situated at the crossroads of Europe's major traffic routes. Cities such as Paris, Amsterdam, London and Berlin can be reached quickly by train.



## 2. For its diverse and accessible educational provision



The main characteristic of the WBF's higher education provision is the diversity of the range of courses on offer. Students have the opportunity of opting for short courses (generally more vocational) or long courses (academic).

Three types of higher education institutions exist in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation: Universities, High Schools and High Schools of the Arts. While enjoying a great deal of autonomy, each of these three institutions offers specific teaching of a high quality. The diplomas issued by higher education institutions in Wallonia-Brussels range from Bachelor and Master Degrees to Doctorates.

Various grants are available for international students wishing to finance a study programme or research in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation.

## 3. For the excellence of its higher education

The fruit of a long-standing scientific tradition, academic institutions in Wallonia-Brussels are recognised around the world and notch up a respectable position in international rankings. Nobel Prize winners such as Jules Bordet, Albert Claude and Christian de Duve, etc. are illustrious examples of academics who have taken Scientific Research beyond the borders of French-speaking Belgium.

With cutting edge scientific teaching and quality infrastructures, university institutions, laboratories and research centres are actively contributing to the establishment and strengthening of international partnerships.



#### 4. To learn French in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation

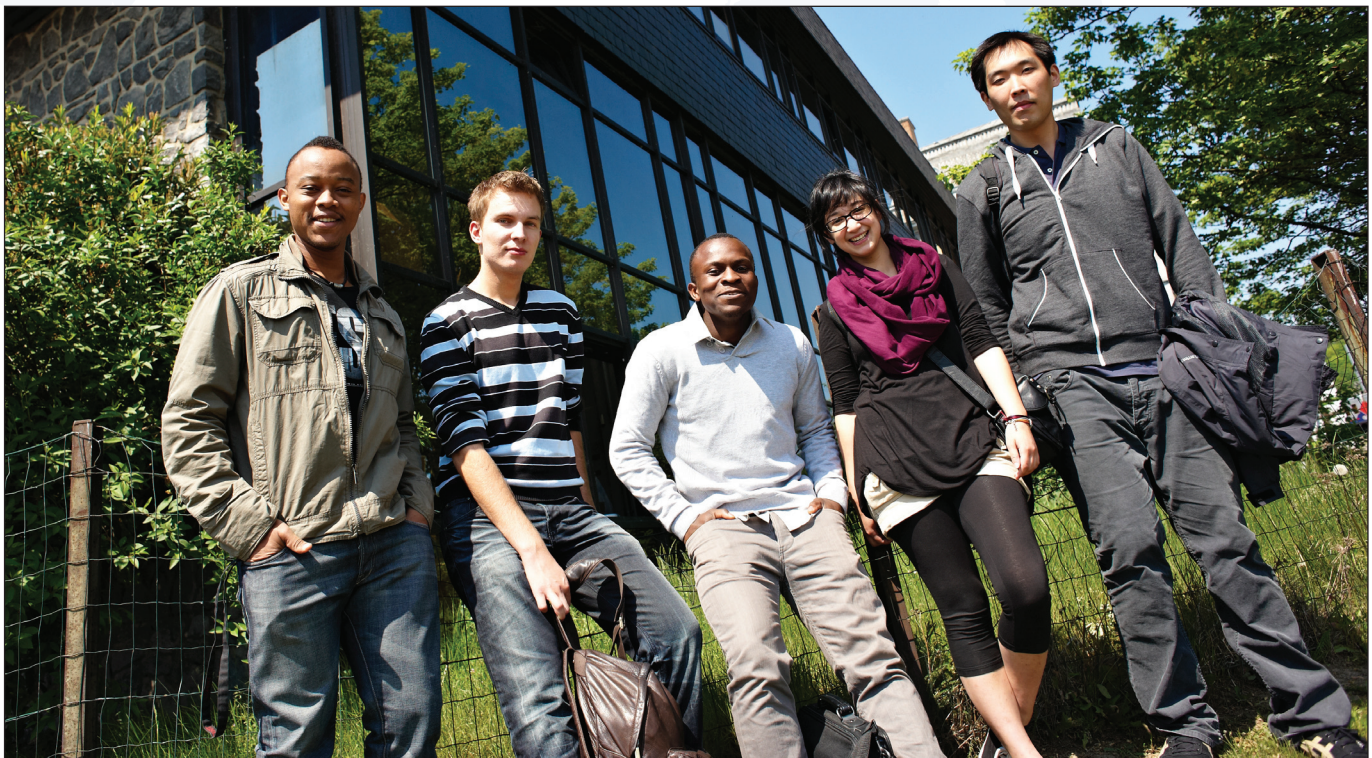
Coming to study in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation is an excellent way of brushing up your French.

French is a language spoken on five continents.

French is the official language of the United Nations, NATO, the European Union and the International Red Cross ...

#### 5. For its international outlook and multiculturalism

The Wallonia-Brussels Federation is characterised by its diversity and international outlook. Evidenced by its ability to forge international partnerships and to export its know-how. 20% of students (40% at doctoral level) enrolled in the WBF's higher education institutions are of foreign origin.



#### 6. For its quality of life

An excellent health system, an efficient public transport system, a vibrant cultural life and easy access to diverse sporting activities make the Wallonia-Brussels Federation a great place to live.

Alongside the educational facilities, the institution campuses offer a range of leisure, cultural, sporting and catering amenities. All year round, the events organised by student associations reflect the dynamism and intensity of student life.

