



COMB1BA

2024 - 2025



These language course units focus on the progressive acquisition of skills for dealing with a variety of situations, particularly in the context of information and communication. They are held in small groups and are aimed at an active approach based on multiple listening comprehension and oral expression exercises.

In addition, during the second term of the third year, students may take part in an Erasmus or equivalent exchange at a partner university whose programmes are taught in a language other than French, with which the faculty has established an agreement. Another option is for students who pass the June exam session to apply for a summer language study grant in Flanders or abroad.

The Saint-Louis - Bruxelles campus also offers a Bachelor's degree in information and communication (French-English) and a Bachelor's degree in information and communication (French-Dutch-English).

### **Pursuing a dual bachelor's degree**

Our dual bachelor's degrees are one of the special features of UCLouvain Saint-Louis - Bruxelles.

Students can take a second bachelor's degree, in tandem with their main bachelor's degree. This means that they complete their main programme with a minimum of 60 and a maximum of 125 additional credits spread over several years. The additional bachelor's degree can be completed after the main bachelor's degree. A series of courses taken as part of the main programme count towards the additional bachelor's degree and are therefore no longer subject to assessment. The additional bachelor's degree has the same value as the main bachelor's degree and provides immediate access to the corresponding master's degree.

## COMB1BA - Teaching profile

### Learning outcomes

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### Programme structure

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The bachelor's degree in information et communication is a first-cycle programme (a 'transition' bachelor's degree), consisting of 180 credits spread over three years (60 credits per year). It prepares students for a number of master's degree programmes in the second cycle in the field of information and communication.

The bachelor's degree programme has a strong interdisciplinary component, especially in the first year, for students at the Saint-Louis - Bruxelles campus in information and communication, political science, sociology and anthropology (the year 1 programme includes two course units from each discipline). This first year facilitates reorientations at the beginning of the programme: students can change their orientation in year 2 to one of the other two programmes without having to make up any course units.

Specialisation in information and communication becomes more pronounced as students progress through the bachelor's programme, thanks to an ever-increasing number of specialised course units. Methodological instruction (university work, documentary research and the scientific method) is provided throughout the bachelor's degree.

## COMB1BA Programme

### Detailed programme by subject

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- Mandatory
  - ✘ Optional
  - △ Not offered in 2024-2025
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FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	English I	Gerlanda Cipolla Marleen Cré Sebastiano Ferrari Milena Fontana Julie George Garkov Priscilla Hemeleers Françoise Longrée (coord.) Isabelle Lukau Erwin Ochsenmeier (coord.) Melissa Uzumcuoglu	EN [q1+q2] [0h+30h] [5 Credits]	X		
<input type="radio"/> BNEER1183	Dutch I <i>Will benefit from a course unit of Dutch for Beginners or Spanish in first year: 1) The student who has had less than two hours of Dutch per week throughout the year in one of the last four years of high school; 2) The student who have completed high school in 2019-2020 or earlier and who has not been trained in Dutch between the end of high school and its registration in St. Louis. Additional informations and forms to fill out are available at the Faculty secretariat.</i>	Astrid De Munter (coord.) Nadine Kayobotsi (coord.)	NL [q1+q2] [0h+30h] [5 Credits]	X		
<input type="radio"/> BANGL1292	English II	Gerlanda Cipolla Sebastiano Ferrari Françoise Longrée (coord.) Erwin Ochsenmeier (coord.) Madeline Riordan	EN [q1+q2] [0h+60h] [5 Credits]		X	
<input type="radio"/> BNEER1282	Dutch II <i>Student who replaced the course unit of Dutch I the First Year by Dutch for Beginners I or Spanish I should follow the Second Year, the same course unit, higher level (Dutch for Beginners II or Spanish II). Additional informations are available at the Faculty secretariat.</i>	Isolde Boutsen (coord.) Astrid De Munter (coord.) Barbara Fraipont	NL [q1+q2] [0h+60h] [5 Credits]		X	
<b><input type="radio"/> Choose one course among the following :</b>						
<input checked="" type="radio"/> BANGL1392	English III	Gerlanda Cipolla Marleen Cré Julie George Garkov Françoise Longrée (coord.) Erwin Ochsenmeier (coord.) Madeline Riordan	EN [q1] [0h+30h] [5 Credits]			X
<input checked="" type="radio"/> BNEER1382	Dutch III	Isolde Boutsen (coord.) Astrid De Munter (coord.)	NL [q1] [0h+30h] [5 Credits]			X

**Optional Courses**

Students must choose optional course totalling 5 credits.

If the student chose to replace course unit "Social-history of media", he/she must register to one additional optional course.

Students wishing to enrol in the Master's programme in Communication Strategy and Digital Culture (ISFSC & USL-B) are strongly advised to include the 'Marketing' teaching unit (ECGE1322) in the Block 3 programme.

<input checked="" type="radio"/> BSOCA1211	Analysis of sociological theories	Jean-Pierre Delchambre	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]			X
<input checked="" type="radio"/> BSOCA1312	Socio-anthropology of the symbolic	Olivier Schmitz (compensates Jean-Pierre Delchambre)	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]			X
<input checked="" type="radio"/> BHDPO1316	Transformations and urban politics	Emmanuelle Lenel	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]			X
<input checked="" type="radio"/> BSPOL1322	Public Policy Analysis					

Year

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⌘ BSPOL1315

Political Systems 🟡

Denis Duez





## Alternatives

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> [Bachelor in Information and Communication \[Dual Bachelor's degree for the holder of a Bachelor in Political Sciences\]](https://uclouvain.be/en-prog-2024-comb1ba-programme)  
[ <https://uclouvain.be/en-prog-2024-comb1ba-programme> ]

### ***BACHELOR IN INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION [DUAL BACHELOR'S DEGREE FOR THE HOLDER OF A BACHELOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCES]***

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- Activity with requisites
- 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
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Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

Year

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- BSPOL1210** "Sociologie politique" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1162 OU BESPO1160
- BESPO1162 - [Political science](#)
  - BESPO1160 - [Sociology](#)
- BSPOL1211** "Politieke sociologie" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1162 OU BESPO1160
- BESPO1162 - [Political science](#)
  - BESPO1160 - [Sociology](#)
- BSPOL1214** "Doctrines politiques" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1162
- BESPO1162 - [Political science](#)
- BSPOL1215** "International Organizations" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1162
- BESPO1162 - [Political science](#)
- BSPOL1310** "Travail, emploi et protection sociale" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1162
- BESPO1162 - [Political science](#)
- BSPOL1312** "International relations" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1162
- BESPO1162 - [Political science](#)
- BSPOL1313** "Politique comparée" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1162
- BESPO1162 - [Political science](#)
- BSPOL1315** "Régimes politiques" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1162
- BESPO1162 - [Political science](#)
- BSPOL1316** "Système politique européen" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1162
- BESPO1162 - [Political science](#)
- BSPOL1322** "Analyse de l'action publique" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1162 OU BESPO1160
- BESPO1162 - [Political science](#)
  - BESPO1160 - [Sociology](#)

## The programme's courses and learning outcomes

For each UCLouvain training programme, a [reference framework of learning outcomes](#) specifies the the skills expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. Course unit descriptions specify targeted learning outcomes, as well as the unit's contribution to reference framework of learning outcomes.

## Detailed programme per annual block

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### o Content:

#### o Information and Communication

● BPOLS1110	<a href="#">Communication science</a>	<a href="#">Geoffroy Patriarche</a>	15 [q1] [30h +6h] [5 Credits] 🌐
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**COMB1BA AND ANNUAL UNIT**

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  - △ ⊕ Not offered in 2024-2025 or the following year
  - Activity with requisites
  - ⊗ Open to incoming exchange students
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o Languages

<p>o BANGL1292</p>	<p>English II </p>	<p>Gerlanda Cipolla Sebastiano Ferrari Françoise Longrée (coord.) Erwin Ochsenmeier (coord.) Madeline Riordan</p>	<p>EN [q1+q2] [0h +60h] [5 Credits] </p>
<p>o BNEER1282</p>	<p>Dutch II  <i>Student who replaced the course unit of Dutch I the Firts Year</i></p>		









✂ BECGE1322	<b>Marketing</b> <i>Pour les étudiant-es qui souhaitent s'inscrire ultérieurement au Master en stratégie de la communication et culture numérique, il est vivement conseillé d'opter pour ce cours de marketing (ECGE1322).</i>	Julie Masset	PS [q1] [30h +15h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✂ BECGE1324	<b>Marketing</b>	Irene Roozen	MS [q1] [30h +15h] [5 Credits] 🌐

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**COMB1BA - Information**

- For any secondary school diploma **from a European Union country**, the admission request must contain the equivalence of your diploma or, at the very least, proof of the filing of the equivalence request with the Wallonia-Brussels Federation (French Community of Belgium). For any information relating to obtaining an equivalence, please refer to [the following site](#).
- For any secondary school diploma **from a country outside the European Union**, the admission application must contain the [equivalence of your diploma](#) issued by the Wallonia-Brussels Federation (French Community of Belgium). If you have a restrictive equivalence for the programme of your choice, in addition of it, you **must** have either the [DAES](#) or a certificate of successful completion of the [examination giving access to 1<sup>st</sup> cycle studies](#) when you submit your application

## Access based on validation of professional experience

Admission to undergraduate studies on the basis of accreditation of knowledge and skills obtained through professional or personal experience (Accreditation of Prior Experience)

Subject to the general requirements laid down by the authorities of the higher education institution, with the aim of admission to the undergraduate programme, the examination boards accredit the knowledge and skills that students have obtained through their professional or personal experience.

This experience must correspond to at least five years of documented activity, with years spent in higher education being partially taken into account: 60 credits are deemed equivalent to one year of experience, with a maximum of two years being counted. At the end of an assessment procedure organized by the authorities of the higher education institution, the Examination Board will decide whether a student has sufficient skills and knowledge to successfully pursue undergraduate studies.

After this assessment, the Examination Board will determine the additional courses and possible exemptions constituting the supplementary requirements for the student's admission.

## Special requirements to access some programmes

- Admission to **undergraduate studies in engineering: civil engineering and architect**

Pass certificate for the [special entrance examination for undergraduate studies in engineering: civil engineering and architect](#).

Admission to these courses is always subject to students passing the special entrance examination. Contact the faculty office for the programme content and the examination arrangements.

- Admission to **undergraduate studies in veterinary medicine**

[Admission to undergraduate studies in veterinary medicine is governed by the Decree of 16 June 2006 regulating the number of students in certain higher education undergraduate courses \(non-residents\)](#).

- Admission to **undergraduate studies in physiotherapy and rehabilitation**

[Admission to undergraduate studies in physiotherapy and rehabilitation is governed by the Decree of 16 June 2006 regulating the number of students in certain higher education undergraduate courses \(non-residents\)](#).

- Admission to **undergraduate studies in psychology and education: speech and language therapy**

[Admission to undergraduate studies in psychology and education: speech and language therapy is governed by the Decree of 16 June 2006 regulating the number of students in certain higher education undergraduate courses \(non-residents\)](#).

- Admission to **undergraduate studies in medicine and dental science**

[Admission to undergraduate studies in medicine and dental science is governed by the Decree of 16 June 2006 regulating the number of students in certain higher education undergraduate courses \(non-residents\)](#).

Note: students wishing to enrol for a **Bachelor's degree in Medicine** or a **Bachelor's degree in dental science** must first sit an [aptitude test \(fr\)](#).

- Access to **Bachelor of Science in Business Engineering**

The Bachelor of Science in Business Engineering is a joint program organised by KU Leuven and UCLouvain Saint-Louis Bruxelles. In order to register, all candidate must first submit an application via the [KU Leuven admission platform](#). The [conditions of access](#) to this programme are specific.

## Teaching method

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In addition to traditional lectures, which take place in moderate-sized auditoriums, the faculty has implemented active teaching practices which encourage the use and development of theoretical, methodological and analytical skills.

Furthermore, the information and communication programme includes more 'practical' learning activities, for example in the form of seminars or workshops based on student contributions and held in small groups. This allows students to be in close contact with professors and teacher-researchers within small working groups, and to implement approaches which make concrete use of the knowledge acquired during the programme. Professors also use digital technologies to promote interactivity with students during lectures. All of these measures are implemented during the first term of year 1, allowing students to get used to university studies at a reasonable pace.

The Saint-Louis - Bruxelles campus places great importance on educational support for all bachelor's programmes. The Academic Guidance Service (AGS) offers a range of learning support activities and is available to meet students who wish to do so.

## Evaluation

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***The evaluation methods comply with the [regulations concerning studies and exams](#). More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".***

Assessments are generally carried out by means of an examination. In the case of seminars, they take into account the grades received for work submitted over the course of the year. Examinations are either written (for courses given to large groups of students) or oral. They focus not only on knowledge of the subject matter, but also on a student's ability to apply it to topics not discussed during the course.

Three exam sessions are organised during the academic year, in January, June and August/September. First-year students who do not achieve passing grades in the January session have up to two opportunities to retake specific examinations, in June and/or September.

## Mobility and/or Internationalisation outlook

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### Erasmus exchange programme

UCLouvain Saint-Louis - Bruxelles has exchange agreements with universities outside the French-speaking community of Belgium. These agreements allow students to take part of their bachelor's degree programme at a partner university while remaining enrolled at UCLouvain Saint-Louis - Bruxelles. Conversely, students from partner universities may take part of their bachelor's programme at UCLouvain Saint-Louis - Bruxelles.

Three types of exchange are available to students at the Saint-Louis - Bruxelles campus:

- **Erasmus exchanges** with universities in European Union countries
- **Erasmus Belgica exchanges** with Dutch-language Belgian universities
- **exchanges with universities outside Europe**, on the basis of bilateral agreements

Information and communication students can take part in an Erasmus exchange during the second term of year 3. Find out more about the [destinations](#).

The exchange programme is equivalent to approximately 30 credits. Students who take part in an Erasmus exchange during year 3 may also take part in another Erasmus stay during their master's degree.

### Language study grants

The faculty awards grants to students for language courses in various destinations during the summer. The selection of candidates is based on their results and motivation. Find out more about the [language study grants](#).

**Students who take part in an Erasmus exchange during year 3 may also take part in another Erasmus stay during their master's degree.**

## Possible trainings at the end of the programme

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The bachelor's degree in information and communication gives direct access to the following master's degree programmes:

- [Master \[120\] in Journalism](#)
- [Master \[120\] in Communication](#)
- [Master \[120\] in Information and Communication Science and Technology](#)
- [Master \[120\] in Communication Strategy and Digital Culture \(shift schedule\)](#) (master conjoint ISFSC - UCLouvain Saint-Louis – Bruxelles, horaire décalé)
- [Master \[120\] in Performing Arts](#)
- [Master \[120\] in European Studies](#)

Graduates of the bachelor's degree in information and communication also have access to the following programmes under certain conditions:

- [Master \[120\] in Multilingual Communication](#)

Other master's degrees are also available on completion of additional courses.

Master's studies can be pursued at UCLouvain, Louvain-la-Neuve campus, or at another university in Belgium or elsewhere in Europe.

## Contacts

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