



ECTB1BA

2024 - 2025

Bachelor in Economics and Management (French-Dutch-

English)

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## ECTB1BA - Introduction

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Completing a bachelor's degree in economics and management in a trilingual French-English-Dutch programme is an asset for your future studies and career. The Saint-Louis - Bruxelles campus offers a trilingual French-Dutch-English economics and management programme. It allows students to take part of their bachelor's degree in English and in Dutch.

Economics and management sciences are two disciplines which focus on the economic dimension of society. Economics seeks to understand how the economy functions as a whole. It analyses the mechanisms which structure the exchanges between individuals, companies (private or public), the state and countries. In particular, it studies the functioning of the various markets in which these exchanges take place: financial markets, labour markets, international markets, etc.

Management sciences adopt the viewpoint of the organisations active within the economic system, be they companies or administrations.

The trilingual bachelor's degree in economics and management at the Saint-Louis - Bruxelles site, in the centre of Brussels (near Botanique and Rogier metro stations), offers students the chance to discover both approaches within a single programme. After gaining in-depth knowledge of these two disciplines according to their interests and skills, students can choose economics or management at master's level.

#### Your profile

The bachelor's degree in economics and management is for you if:

- you are interested in the business world;
- you want to understand how the stock market works;
- you want to develop your critical thinking skills and your ability to analyse economic information;
- you are looking for an extensive programme which leads to several different opportunities.
- you have a good command of English and Dutch

There is no selection process for multilingual programmes.

- However, a written language test is held at the beginning of the year. It is used as a guide to assess language skills and to recommend or advise against a bilingual or trilingual programme.
- In the event of difficulties, there is the option to return to the unilingual programme in French, with language courses.

#### Your future job

The economics and management programme is divided into two cycles: the three-year bachelor's degree and the one- or two-year master's degree. After completing a master's degree in economics or management, there are many and varied career opportunities:

- Numerous management positions in the private sector (industry and services): organisation and production management, financial management, marketing, human resources management
- Consultancy firms
- Public and private, national and international banks and financial institutions
- Management functions in public administration and public companies
- Analyst or advisor in public administration, political parties, ministerial offices
- Education and academic research

#### Your programme

The bachelor's degree in economics and management is made up of courses which can be divided into six categories:

1. Economics
2. Management
3. Law
4. Computer science and quantitative methods
5. Humanities and social sciences
6. Languages

The proportion of the programme devoted to economics and management increases gradually each year. In this trilingual programme, the Faculty of Economics, Social and Political Sciences and Communication Saint-Louis - Bruxelles offers active English- and Dutch-language training. In concrete terms, 2 course units per year will be taught in English, and 2 (per year) in Dutch.

#### 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.



## ECTB1BA - Teaching profile

### Learning outcomes

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By the end of their bachelor's degree, students will have acquired:

**I. The disciplinary and methodological foundations of economics and management**

• **A practical command of the fundamental concepts and models of economics and management**

- The ability to model economic phenomena
- A command of the foundational fields of management  
*All economics and management CUs in years 1 and 2*
- The ability to analyse real economic and management issues

*The Economics I and II CUs, the Public economics CU, with part of the lecture hours and/or practical work devoted to this; The Company management simulation CU*

- An in-depth understanding of the ethical and political dimensions of economic analysis  
*Year 3 CUs in the field of economics, in their reflective dimension*

• **The basic methodological tools needed for an academic approach to economics and management**

- Knowledge of the cultural environment, particularities and ways of thinking associated with the Dutch and English languages
- The ability to conduct research in the field of economics and write a substantial academic paper in Dutch and in English

## Programme structure

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The bachelor's degree in economics and management 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. This programme has been designed to provide students with the tools and disciplinary knowledge as well as the expertise and skills specific to both fields (economics and management), so that they can access the various master's degree programmes available to them later on (master's degree in economics or master's degree in management).

The economics and management programme offers a comprehensive range of courses which gives students a solid grounding in the disciplines of economics and management (microeconomics, macroeconomics, finance, production management, human resources management, etc.), as well as a command of quantitative methods (mathematics and statistics). It also provides a general introduction to the humanities and social sciences (sociology, philosophy and political science), the essential acquisition of effective language skills in English and in Dutch in the trilingual programme, and the opportunity to include course units provided by our partner, KU Leuven, the essential acquisition

				Year		
				1	2	3
○ BECGE1117	Introduction to financial markets	Alain Praet	NI [q2] [30h+15h] [4 Credits] 	x		
○ BECGE1216	Human Resource Management					

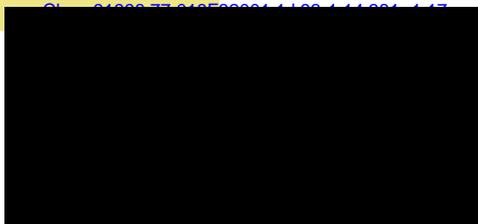


Year

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⌘ Possible choice of 5 credits from the following teaching units :

⌘ BECGE1233	Game theory	Ana Mauleon	EX [q1] [30h+15h] [5 Credits]				X
⌘ BECGE1313	Environmental Economics	Bertrand Hamaide	EX [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]				X
⌘ BDROI1272	Special questions of economic law	Alain Strowel Xavier Wauthy	EX [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]				X
⌘ BDURA1000	Environmental Challenges and Issues						



## Course prerequisites

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The **table** below lists the activities (course units, or CUs) for which there are one or more prerequisites within the programme, i.e. the programme CU for which the learning outcomes must be certified and the corresponding credits awarded by the jury before registering for that CU.

These activities are also identified **in the detailed programme**: their title is followed by a122.5ntified



o Law

o BESPO1176	Law	Thibaut Slingeneyer de Goeswin (compensates Diane Bernard)	EN [q1] [45h +15h] [5 Credits]
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o Other Human and Social Sciences

o BINGE1160	Global Economic History	Robrecht Declercq	EN [q1] [30h] [4 Credits]
o BESPO1161	Sociology	Thierry Kochuyt (compensates Benedikte Zitouni) Benedikte Zitouni	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]

o Choose one course among the following :

o BESPO1165	Political Science	Emmanuel Klimis	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]
o BPOLS1114	Communication science	Thomas Jacobs Elke Mahieu (compensates Thomas Jacobs)	EN [q1] [30h +15h] [5 Credits]
o BESPO1164	Geopolitics	Jeroen Joly	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]

o Computer Science and Quantitative Methods

o BECGE1130	Mathematics for economics and management I	Koen Declercq	EN [q1] [30h +22.5h] [4 Credits]
o BECGE1131	Mathematics for economics and management II	Cédric Heuchenne	EN [q2] [30h +30h] [5 Credits]
o BECGE1132	Descriptive Statistics and proh Tf 1 0 35700035 T944 Tf 1 01 m 36.84999F1 6.944 Tf [( BECGE1132)] T8edits		

## ECTB1BA - 2ND ANNUAL UNIT

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- Mandatory
  - ✘ Optional
  - △ Not offered in 2024-2025
  - ⊖ Not offered in 2024-2025 but offered the following year
  - ⊕ Offered in 2024-2025 but not the following year
  - △ ⊕ Not offered in 2024-2025 or the following year
  - Activity with requisites
  - 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
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## ECTB1BA - 3RD ANNUAL UNIT

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- Mandatory
  - ✘ Optional
  - △ Not offered in 2024-2025
  - ⊖ Not offered in 2024-2025 but offered the following year
  - ⊕ Offered in 2024-2025 but not the following year
  - △ ⊕ Not offered in 2024-2025 or the following year
  - Activity with requisites
  - 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
  - 🚫🌐 Not open to incoming exchange students
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• **Optional Courses**

*Students must choose optional course totalling 5 credits. If the student chose to replace course unit "Operations management", he must register to one additional optional course unit.*

## ECTB1BA - 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**

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- 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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At Saint-Louis, lectures are given in moderate-sized auditoriums. This allows students to have close contact with their lecturers. Course units in economics and quantitative methods are accompanied by practical work sessions in small groups.

The bachelor's degree in economics and management allows access to other master's degree programmes, subject to compliance with the admission requirements for these programmes. If students have not acquired the prerequisite subjects for the master's degree in question, they will have to add them to their programme, up to a maximum of 60 additional credits.

Among the UCLouvain master's degrees which are widely accessible to graduates with a UCLouvain bachelor's degree, are the following:

- [Master's degree \[120\] in company management](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve)
- [Master's degree \[120\] in European studies](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve)
- [Master's degree \[120\] in ethics](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve)
- [Master's degree \[120\] in religious studies](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve)

## Contacts

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### Curriculum Management

Faculty

Structure entity

Denomination

Sector

Acronym

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