



## ECAB1BA - Introduction

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Completing a bachelor's degree in economics and management in a bilingual French-English programme is an asset for your future studies and career.

The Faculty of Economics, Social and Political Sciences and Communication Saint-Louis in Brussels offers a bilingual French-English economics and management programme. It allows students to take part of their bachelor's degree in English.

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 bilingual 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.

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 bilingual programme, the ESPB faculty on the Saint-Louis - Bruxelles campus offers active English-language training, with 3 course units per year taught in 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

- [Bachelor in Law \[Dual Bachelor's degree for the holder of a Bachelor in Economics and Management\]](#)
- [Bachelor in Philosophy \[Dual Bachelor's degree for the holder of a Bachelor in Economics and Management\]](#)

For further information, please contact the faculty administration: [espo-slb@uclouvain.be](mailto:espo-slb@uclouvain.be).

## ECAB1BA - 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**

- The ability to apply mathematical modelling to economic and social issues
- The ability to use mathematical and statistical tools to solve economic and management problems  
*All CUs in mathematics and statistics*
- The ability to use computer software and model simple problems in algorithmic form  
*All CUs in computer sciences*
- The ability to produce abstract reasoning using a formalised language and adopt a critical distance with respect to this process  
*All courses in quantitative methods*

#### **II. A grounding in areas which are complementary to economics and management**

- A practical command of core knowledge in the human, legal and social sciences which are essential for the analysis of economic and management issues
  - A knowledge of the major areas of thought underlying the social sciences and humanities  
*Choice of CUs from philosophy, history, sociology, political science and communication science; CU in law*
  - The ability to see the connections between the different disciplinary skills and identify their complementarities
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				1	2	3
○ BECGE1116	Introduction to financial markets	Anouk Claes	EN [q2] [30h+15h] [4 Credits] 	x		
○ BECGE1213	Financial Statement Analysis 	Yves De Rongé	FR [q1] [30h+15h] [4 Credits] 		x	
○ BECGE1216	Human Resource Management	Ralf Caers	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 		x	
○ EKULB1320	Marketing		EN [q1] [52h] [5 Credits] 		x	
○ BECGE1328	Management and strategy 	Frank Janssen	[q1] [52h] [5 Credits]			



				Year		
				1	2	3
○ BNEER1181	<p><b>Dutch I</b></p> <p><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></p>	<p>Astrid De Munter (coord.) Nadine Kayobotsi (coord.)</p>	<p>NE [q1+q2] [0h+30h] [4 Credits]</p>	x		
○ BANGL1291	<p><b>English II</b></p>					







- BECGE1213 - [Financial Statement Analysis](#)
- EKULB1320 - [Marketing](#)
- BECGE1116 - [Introduction to financial markets](#)

**BECGE1330** "[Econometrics](#)" has prerequisite(s) BECGE1232

- BECGE1232 - [Applied statistics](#)







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## ECAB1BA - 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
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o Languages

<p>o BANGL1291</p>	<p>English II </p>	<p>Julie George Garkov Priscilla Hemeleers Françoise Longrée (coord.) Isabelle Lukau Erwin Ochsenmeier (coord.) Madeline Riordan</p>	<p>EN [q1+q2] [0h +60h] [5 Credits] </p>
<p>o BNEER1281</p>	<p>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></p>	<p>Isolde Boutsen (coord.) Astrid De Munter (coord.) Guy Sirjacobs</p>	<p>NL [q1+q2] [0h +60h] [5 Credits] </p>









- 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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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.

In the first term, the English and law course units are accompanied by remedial classes for students experiencing difficulties in these subjects.

Remedial classes in economics and mathematics are offered in the second term to students who did not pass these exams during the January exam session.

### Methodological assistance

The faculty places great importance on educational support for all bachelor's programmes. The Academic Guidance Service (AGS) offers a range of 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".***

Assessment of acquired knowledge (formal assessment) takes place during exam sessions. Most exams are written.

Three examination 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 two opportunities to retake specific examinations, in June and September.

Formative assessments take place during the academic year in the form of practical work to be prepared. For some course units, a continuous assessment system is used in addition to the exam.

## Mobility and/or Internationalisation outlook

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### Exchange programmes

UCLouvain Saint-Louis - Bruxelles has exchange agreements with universities outside the Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles. 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. Students in economics and management can take part in an ERASMUS exchange in the second term of year 3. The exchange programme is equivalent to approximately 30 credits.

Three types of exchange are available:

- **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

Find out more about the [destinations](#).

### 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 stays and study grants](#).

## Possible trainings at the end of the programme

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The bachelor's degree in economics and management gives direct access to the master's degrees in economics and management organised under the Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles (with the exception of the master's degree in business engineering).

Thanks to the solid English-language training provided by the bilingual French-English programme in economics and management, by the end of the programme, students are prepared for a master's degree taught in English.

### Masters accessibles à l'UCLouvain

#### Accès direct

- [Master \[120\] en sciences économiques, orientation générale](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve)
- [Master \[120\] en sciences de gestion](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve) et [Master \[120\] en sciences de gestion](#) (Mons)
- [Master \[60\] en sciences de gestion](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve) et [Master \[60\] en sciences de gestion](#) (Mons)
- [Master \[120\] en sciences de gestion \(horaire décalé\)](#) (Mons)

- [Master \[120\] en gestion des ressources humaines](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve)
- [Master \[120\] en gestion de l'entreprise](#) (co-diplômé avec l'ICHEC)

#### **Autres formations accessibles**

Le bachelier en sciences économiques et de gestion a accès à d'autres masters moyennant le respect des conditions et prérequis fixés pour ces programmes. S'il-elle n'a pas acquis les matières prérequis pour le master visé, il-elle devra les ajouter à son programme, à hauteur de maximum 60 crédits d'enseignements supplémentaires.

Parmi les masters UCLouvain (généralement orphelins) largement accessibles aux diplômés bacheliers UCLouvain, citons :

- [Master \[120\] en gestion de l'entreprise](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve)
- [Master \[120\] en études européennes](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve)
- [Master \[120\] en éthique](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve)
- [Master \[120\] en sciences des religions](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve)

## **Contacts**

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