



SOAB1BA

2024 - 2025

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Due to the importance of multilingualism in a society increasingly open to the world, the Saint-Louis - Bruxelles campus offers bilingual and trilingual programmes in sociology and anthropology, spread over three years of study. Two programmes are offered: either bilingual French/English, or trilingual French/Dutch/English, with 3 to 4 course units in the target language(s) per year of study.

Completing a bachelor's degree in sociology and anthropology in a bilingual French-English programme is an asset for your future studies and your professional and social endeavours in a multicultural world, whether in Brussels, elsewhere in Belgium or abroad.

The bilingual French-English bachelor's programme in sociology and anthropology at the Saint-Louis - Bruxelles campus allows you to take part of your programme in English: each year, 3 courses are taught entirely in English.

Sociology and anthropology originate from the desire of modern societies to know more about themselves and about other societies, and to be able to influence their own actions. The approach adopted by sociologists and anthropologists combines a capacity for analysis with an awareness of concrete realities (through survey techniques, field studies, etc.). It is both rigorous and creative.

The field of study of these two disciplines is extremely vast: social change, gender relations, power, inequalities, globalisation, multiculturalism, cities and mobility, beliefs, family, sexuality, new media, social networks, ecological issues, health and well-being, etc.

From fundamental research to support in the decision-making process (consulting) and service to society, these two disciplines address a wide range of issues. In a world in constant turmoil, the knowledge and skills of sociologists and anthropologists are more relevant than ever.

Your profile

Would you like to understand the issues and social and cultural transformations in contemporary societies? Would you like to be an agent of change? An open mind, an interest in human relations, discovering the diversity of cultures and foreign languages, intellectual curiosity and constant attention to current events are basic prerequisites for sociology and anthropology students.

You have a basic knowledge of English, allowing you to take courses in 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

Sociologists and anthropologists are valued for their ability to analyse the world we live in, while helping to solve the problems or reduce the tensions which arise in societies marked by change, complexity and diversity.

- Social intervention and political sphere (at local, regional, federal, Europ TJ 1 0elpiWa bas aboute78.3] Tel ET Q q f 1 0 0 -1 8.39999962 425.582095

3. a methodological background in the form of courses and seminars covering a range of qualitative and quantitative methods in the humanities and social sciences (approach and methods in the social sciences, field methods, quantitative methods, etc.)
4. quality language instruction.

In the bilingual French-English bachelor's programme in sociology and anthropology, three subjects (courses) per year are taught in English.

- First year: *Political science, Geopolitics, Communication science*
- Second year: *Law and religion, Economics 1, Economics 2*
- Third year: *Society and Environment, International Communications, Ethics and the Economy*

The courses are taught by native English speakers or faculty members who have completed all or part of their university studies in English. In addition, students continue to perfect their language skills by taking English and/or Dutch courses in first, second and third year.

Furthermore, during the second term of the third year, students may take part in an Erasmus exchange at a university in Europe, Asia, North America or South America, whose programmes are taught in a language other than French. Another option is for students who pass the June exam session to apply for a summer language study grant in Flanders or abroad.

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 dual bachelor's degree has the same value as the main bachelor's degree and provides immediate access to the corresponding master's degree.

The following second degrees are available:

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

For further information, please contact the faculty administration: espo-slb@uclouvain.be.

SOAB1BA - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

At the end of their bachelor's degree in sociology and anthropology, students will have acquired the following skills:

I. A grounding in the core teachings and methods of the discipline

- **A command of the fundamentals of sociology and anthropology, and their epistemological grounding, with a view to addressing the key research issues of the discipline**
- **A thorough grounding in sociology and anthropology, through general and specialised courses:** sociology, anthropology, analysis of sociological theories, political sociology, cultural sociology, special anthropological issues, socio-anthropology of symbolics, sociology of collective action, etc.

II. Basic knowledge in fields complementary to sociology and anthropology

- **The ability to draw on interdisciplinary knowledge from various fields of the humanities and social sciences** in order to analyse contemporary or historical social phenomena
- **General knowledge of the humanities and social sciences**, based on an understanding of the main postulates and teachings of

[q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 

Year

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o Other Human and Social Sciences

<input checked="" type="radio"/> BESPO1165	Political Science	Emmanuel Klimis	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 	x		
<input checked="" type="radio"/> BPOLS1114	Communication science	Thomas Jacobs Elke Mahieu (compensates Thomas Jacobs)	EN [q1] [30h+15h] [5 Credits] 			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> BPOLS1112	The Political Institutions of Belgium	Yannick Vanderborght	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> BPOLS1113	Media institutions analysis	Victor Wiard	FR [q2] [30h+4h] [5 Credits] 			

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<p>○ BNEER1183</p>	<p>Dutch I</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] [5 Credits] </p>	x		
<p>○ BANGL1292</p>	<p>English II </p>					

⌘ Optional choice of one course unit among :

BECGE1321	Organisational studies	Karine Dejean	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]
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- BESPO1165 - [Political Science](#)
- BNEER1282** "Dutch II" has prerequisite(s) BNEER1183
- BNEER1183 - [Dutch I](#)
- BNEER1382** "Dutch III" has prerequisite(s) BNEER1282
- BNEER1282 - [Dutch II](#)
- BPOLS1233** "Quantitative methods II: statistics" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1231
- BPOLS1231 - [Approach and methods in social sciences](#)
- BPOLS1252** "Anthropology: special topics" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1160 OR BPOLS1111
- BESPO1160 - [Sociology](#)
- BPOLS1111 - [Anthropology](#)
- BPOLS1320** "Media and politics" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1165 OR BPOLS1114
- BESPO1165 - [Political Science](#)
- BPOLS1114 - [Communication science](#)
- BPOLS1321** "Society and Environment" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1165 OR BESPO1160
- BESPO1165 - [Political Science](#)
- BESPO1160 - [Sociology](#)
- BPOLS1330** "Quantitative methods I: data production" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1231
- BPOLS1231 - [Approach and methods in social sciences](#)
- BPOLS1331** "Quantitative methods III: data analysis" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1233 AND BPOLS1330
- BPOLS1233 - [Quantitative methods II: statistics](#)
- BPOLS1330 - [Quantitative methods I: data production](#)
- BPOLS1352** "Multidisciplinary workshop" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1231 AND BPOLS1330 AND BSOCA1330
- BPOLS1231 - [Approach and methods in social sciences](#)
- BPOLS1330 - [Quantitative methods I: data production](#)
- BSOCA1330 - [Field methods: observation and interviews](#)
- BSOCA1210** "Sociology of culture" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1160
- BESPO1160 - [Sociology](#)
- BSOCA1211** "Analysis of sociological theories" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1160
- BESPO1160 - [Sociology](#)
- BSOCA1310** "The Sociology of Collective Action" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1160
- BESPO1160 - [Sociology](#)
- BSOCA1312** "Socio-anthropology of the symbolic" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1160
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BSPOL1322 "Public Policy Analysis" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1165 OR BESPO1160

- BESPO1165 - [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.

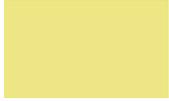
Detailed programme per annual block

SOAB1BA - 1ST ANNUAL UNIT

- 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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o **Computer Science and Quantitative Methods**



BSPOL1315

o Group Project

o BPOLS1352	Multidisciplinary workshop	Benjamin Denis Marie Dufrasne Sophie Jacquot Emmanuelle Lenel Renaud Maes (compensates Abraham Franssen) Youri Vertongen	ES [q1+q2] [30h] [5 Credits]
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o Languages

o Choose one course among the following :

o BANGL1392	English III	Gerlanda Cipolla Marleen Cré Julie George Garkov Françoise Longrée (coord.) Erwin Ochsenmeier (coord.) Madeline Riordan	ES [q1] [0h +30h] [5 Credits]
o BNEER1382	Dutch III	Isolde Boutsen (coord.) Astrid De Munter (coord.)	NL [q1] [0h +30h] [5 Credits]

o Optional Courses

List of optional units to be chosen, in place of course unit(s) "Transformations and urban politics" and/or "Public policy analysis" and/or "The sociology of collective action" and/or "Analysis and theories of power" and/or "International communications":

o BCOMU1310	Semiotics	Anne-Sophie Collard	ES [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]
o BCOMU1250	Media reception and media use	Geoffroy Patriarche	ES [q1] [30h +14h] [5 Credits]
o BCOMU1316	Issues and practices of journalism	Marie Dufrasne	ES [q1] [30h +15h] [5 Credits]
o BSPOL1214	Political Doctrines	Florence Delmotte	ES [q1] [30h +15h] [5 Credits]
o BSPOL1315	Political Systems	Denis Duez	ES [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]

- 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 1st 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. [KU Leuven - Bachelor of Science in Business Engineering](#)

Teaching method

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

Furthermore, the bachelor's degree in sociology and anthropology 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.

The Saint-Louis - Bruxelles campus is located right in the centre of Brussels, with easy metro and train connections as well as other practical advantages. But above all, its location close to social stakeholders, associations, NGOs and national and European political institutions allows interactions and participation in activities to take place in relation to these stakeholders.

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 support activities.

Evaluation

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 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 up to two opportunities to retake specific examinations, in June and/or September.

Mobility and/or Internationalisation outlook

Exchange programmes

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:

- 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

Sociology and anthropology students can take part in an Erasmus exchange during the second term of year 3. [Find out more](#) about the proposed destinations. The exchange programme is equivalent to approximately 30 credits.

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.

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

Find out more about the [language stays and study grants](#).

Possible trainings at the end of the programme

The Saint-Louis - Bruxelles campus specialises in the bachelor's degree. After your bachelor's degree in sociology and anthropology, you can pursue your master's studies in the Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles or at another university in Belgium or abroad (Europe, Canada, etc.).

Master's degrees at UCLouvain

Direct access

- [Master \[120\] in Sociology](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve)
- [Master \[120\] in Anthropology](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve) et [Master \[60\] in Sociology and Anthropology](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve)
- [Master \[120\] in Population and Development Studies](#) (Louvain-la-Neuve)

