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International Student Exchanges 2020-21
Faculty of Engineering Technology

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Why (not) ?



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WHEN ?

- 3rd Bachelor (not 2+2 students)
- Summer
- Master
- After graduation



Possibilities for a study abroad experience

WHEN?

- 3rd Bachelor: course semester abroad
- Master: course semester or Master thesis research
- Postgraduate programme in Innovation and Entrepreneurship in engineering
- Internship for graduated students (before 12 months after study)

Application Requirements

- Exchange in Bachelor
 - Minimum 70 credits completed over 3 semesters
 - Have the possibility to finish your bachelor in the year of the exchange
- Exchange in Master : possibility to graduate in the year of the exchange
- Others – specific requirements

Please note, even if you meet above conditions, this doesn't guarantee your participation in an exchange program.

A selection will still be made among all candidates.

Advantages as an Exchange Student

- No registration/tuition fee at guest university but at KU Leuven
- Flemish scholarship remains
- KU Leuven insurance continues
- Student receives KU Leuven diploma
- Most often you will receive grants

Type of Grants (1)

- **Erasmus+ (100+ students)**

- Study
- Placement



- **Erasmus Belgica**



- **Travel Grants for the South (11 students)**

- Development cooperation – globally



Type of Grants (2)

- **Priority Country Programme (1 student)**
 - 8 non-EU priority countries
- **ASEM DUO (2 students)**
 - Vietnam, China, India, Korea
 - **Competitive**
- **Mobility grants out EU (6+3 students)**
 - Worldwide
 - **Competitive**
- **CSC grants to China**
- **Short Mobilities (7 students)**





WHAT ?

TYPES OF GRANTS



An Erasmus exchange...
not academic tourism



Grants Detail (Erasmus+)

- For course semester or internship
- 28 EU countries +
Turkey,
Liechtenstein,
Iceland,
Norwegian,
Macedonia



Grants Detail (Erasmus+)

- Exchange between 3 and 12 months as part of study programme (with credits allocated)
- Can be part of your master thesis work (placement)
- Recognition of your results via ECTS table
- Erasmus grants for bachelor, master, PhD level
- Placement grant after graduation up to 12 months
- List of partner universities on faculty's website or info sheet

Grants Detail (Erasmus+)

Erasmus+ study grants 2014 – 2020

- **Group 1** countries: 379 euro/month
- **Group 2** countries: 329 euro/month
- **Group 3** countries: 279 euro/month

For Erasmus placement: 100 euro/month extra

For students with Flemish scholarship: 150 euro/month extra

Group 1: FR, IT, UK,
AT, FI, SE, DK, IE,
NO, LI, CH

Group 2: ES, DE,
TR, NL, BE, CZ, PT,
GR, SI, HR, LU, CY,
IS

Group 3: PL, RO,
HU, LT, SK, BG,
LV, EE, MT

Grants Detail (Erasmus Belgica)

in Belgium

- Study in French, a new experience!
- Exchanges for study or placement in Brussels or Wallonia
- Grants from Prins Filipfonds: 100 euro/month + 100 euro starting cost
- Conditions and organisation: see Erasmus+

Grants Detail (Travel Grants for the South)

Development cooperation

- Provide water supply with the vzw Water4Ghana project in Ghana
- Design and build a solar boiler with HUMASOL in Peru...
- Design and install a solar panel system in a hospital in Uganda...



Humasol project in Peru



Water supply installation

(Intercultural) preparation is compulsory



- Compulsory online session on “safety, health and documents” + Intercultural preparation (1 day) for students travelling to a developing country
- Please make sure to register in advance for a session in Dutch or the session in English (for international students)
- This preparation day is also offered in Dutch in Brussels, Ghent, Antwerp and Hasselt (Please consult the website).
- Note: participation is obligatory for students applying for a “Travel Grant to the South”
- www.kuleuven.be/reisbeurzen

Non-EU grant schemes: new application procedure

Extra application needed by 1st March for all students leaving to non-EU partners



Travel Grants for the South



What	Internship or thesis research in a developing country, in cooperation with a host institution in the South.	
For whom	Bachelor's or Master's students from all faculties. EU-nationality + Liechtenstein, Norway, Iceland and Switzerland. Participation in the intercultural preparation day and the session on "safety, health and paperwork"	
Priority	Students, <u>known by the university's Social Service</u> , may be prioritized.	
Duration	At least 6 weeks in the South Departure between December 1, 2019 and December 1, 2020	
Grant	1.000 euros for each travel grant student.	
Doc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online application • Motivation letter • Letter of recommendation • Invitation letter 	
Selection	Faculty + central level	
Deadline	Before departure and before the deadline of your faculty.	
Result	May	
Info	Funding guide	Info market 11 December 2019

Travel Grants to the South



Where can you go and why?	
Countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Africa: Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Congo DR, Ethiopia, Guinee, Kenya, Madagascar, Mali, Morocco, Mozambique, Niger, Rwanda, Senegal, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zimbabwe • Asia: Cambodia, Indonesia, Palestine, Philippines, Vietnam • Latin America: Bolivia, Cuba, Ecuador, Guatemala, Haiti, Nicaragua, Peru, Suriname <p>KU Leuven will finance a limited number of Travel Grants to the following 8 countries, that are not on the VLIR-UOS list: Chili, Colombia, Ghana, India, Malawi, Nepal, Paraguay, Zambia</p>
Host institution	University, NGO, governmental agency, hospital, etc.
Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support from the KU Leuven promotor / internship promotor • Supervision by the local contact person / supervisor
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field experience in a developing country within an academic context • Personal development • Raise students' awareness of North-South issues • For the partner in the South: to be involved in the student's activities and benefit from / gain knowledge through the results

Mobility Grants (credit mobility to partner institutions)

What	Study, internship or thesis research at a partner institution of your faculty.	
For whom	Bachelor's or Master's students from all faculties. Nationality is not a criterion.	
Priority	Students, <u>known by the university's Social Service</u> , may be prioritized and may receive a higher grant.	
Duration	1 – 12 months	
Grant	Scholarship amounts for one semester may vary between 1,000 and 4,500 euros, depending on the distance and the fact whether the student belongs to a vulnerable group or not.	
Doc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online application • Motivation letter • Transcript of records • CV 	
Selection	Faculty + central (+ Flemish level)	
Deadline	1 March 2020	
Note	Applicants who are also eligible for another scholarship programme will be invited to provide extra information. The invitation is based on destination and excellent study results.	
Result	May - June	
Info	Funding guide	Info session 10 and 20 February 2020

CSC-scholarships - China

What	The Chinese government provides grants to study one year in China.
For whom	Bachelor's or Master's students from all faculties. Students with Chinese nationality are not eligible for this programme.
Priority	Students with a keen interest in China, its culture and its language. Students, <u>known by the university's Social Service</u> , may be prioritized.
Duration	1 year
Grant	Tuition waiver + monthly allowance of 2.500/3.000 CNY + accommodation on campus in a shared room + basic health insurance
Doc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application form • Transcript of records • Motivation letter • 2 Letters of recommendation • Copy of your passport
Selection	Faculty + central level + Chinese embassy
Deadline	Please consult the exchange co-ordinator of your faculty.
Result	April. Confirmation destination of preference in late July.
Info	<u>Funding guide</u>

Yenching Academy



What	Excellence programme of Peking University, offering a scholarship for a one-year interdisciplinary Master in China Studies.
For whom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor's or Master's students from all faculties • No preliminary Chinese language requirements • Under 25 and holding a Bachelor's degree on August 31, 2020 • Requirements: academic excellence (minimum distinction), sense for innovation, leadership skills, social engagement
Duration	1 year (September 2020 – August 2021)
Grant	Monthly allowance of 2500/3500 RMB (max. 12 months) + accommodation and meals on campus + return ticket
Doc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CV • Transcript of records • Motivation letter • 2 letters of recommendation
Selection	Faculty + central level + Yenching Academy
Deadline	Please consult the exchange co-ordinator of your faculty.
Result	March
Info	Funding guide

Priority Country Programme - Brazil, Chile, Japan, Morocco, Mexico, Russia, Turkey, US, South Africa

What	Study, internship or thesis research in a partner institution of your faculty. Exchange in pairs possible.
For whom	Bachelor's or Master's students from all faculties. Nationality is not a criterion.
Priority	Average study results +70%, CSE 100% Students, <u>known by the university's Social Service</u> , may be prioritized and may receive a higher grant.
Duration	1 – 12 months Exception Turkey: internship 1 month, study 1- 2 months
Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 650 euro/month with a maximum of 2.600 euros + travel allowance between 320 and 1.100 euro • Students known by the university's Social Service may receive an additional 200 euro/month
Doc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application form • Transcript of records • Learning agreement • Motivation letter • Letter of recommendation • Cooperation agreement
Selection	Faculty + central + Flemish level
Deadline	Please consult the exchange co-ordinator of your faculty.
Result	Early May
Info	Funding guide

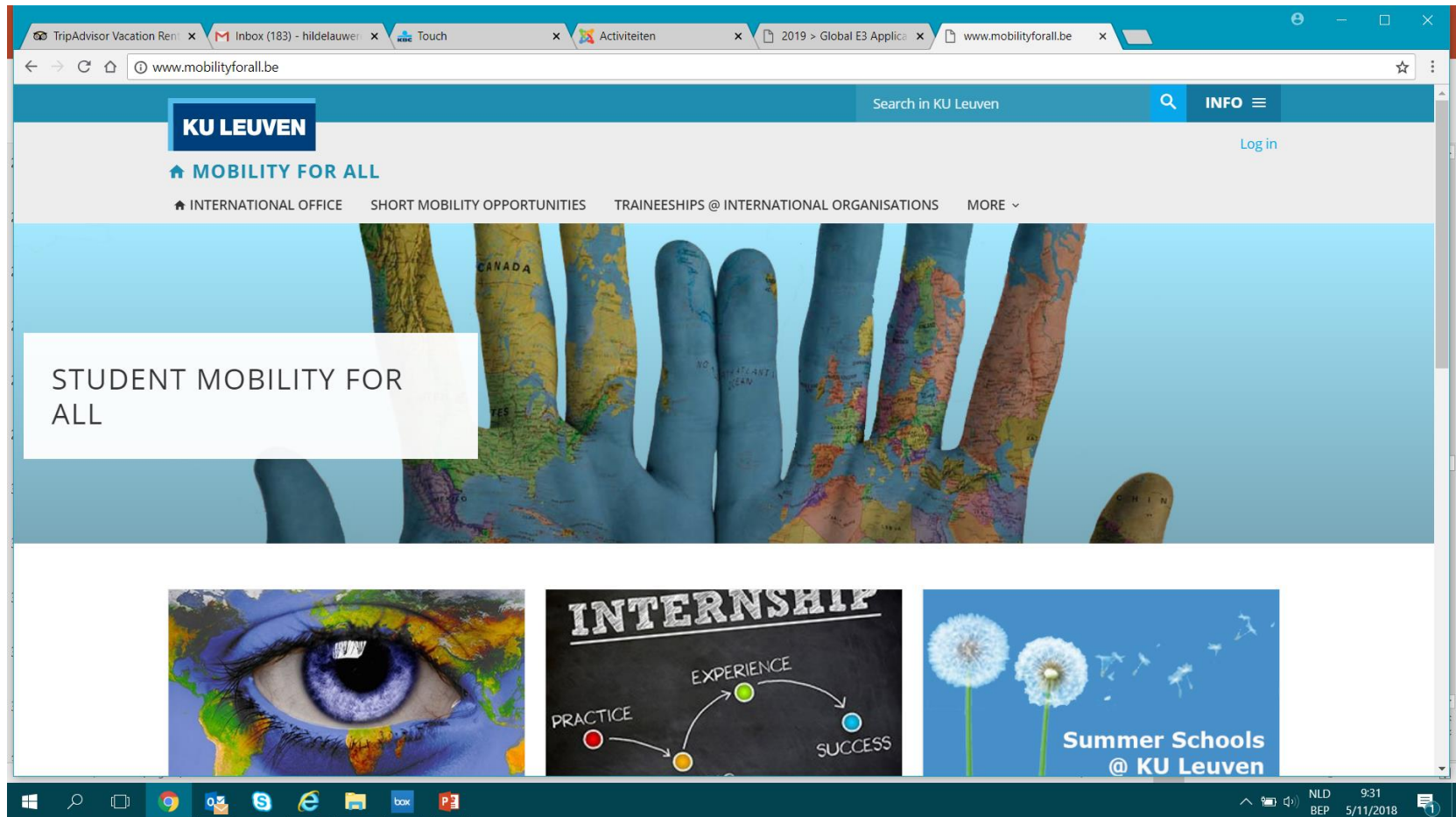
ASEM-DUO - China, India, Vietnam, South Korea



What	Study in a partner institution of your faculty in one of 4 Asian countries. Exchange in pairs is mandatory.
For whom	Bachelor's or Master's students from all faculties. Nationality is not a criterion
Priority	Students, <u>known by the university's Social Service</u> , may be prioritized and may receive a higher grant.
Duration	Minimum of 4 months (120 days). A stay longer than 4 months is allowed, however without a scholarship.
Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 650 euro/month for the KU Leuven student, 800 euro/month for the Asian student • Travel allowance of 1.100 euro • Students known by the university's Social Service may receive an additional 200 euro/month
Doc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application form • Transcript of records • Learning agreement • Motivation letter • Recommendation letter • Copy of your passport • Cooperation agreement
Selection	Faculty + central + Flemish level
Deadline	Please consult the exchange co-ordinator of your faculty.
Result	Early May
Info	Funding guide

New : short mobility grants

www.mobilityforall.be



Pilot for 2020: extended master

- General principle: students in the master take up an extra semester in addition to their study programme in order to expand their expertise in a specific domain or in general broadening of their degree.
- Pilot project in 2020/21: extra semester in entrepreneurship in the Universidade do Porto.
- Ideal for students who want an extra semester to broaden their expertise.



HOW ?

PROCEDURES

Step 1: Search for a guest university

- List of all possible partners via the link on faculty's website
- Campus Group T favoured partners: list in My Group T
<https://my.groupt.be/mijn/opleidingsinfo/uitwisseling/>
 - Major
 - Bachelor or Master
- Get help from department's Erasmus coordinator or from campus' international office
- For Master thesis, please contact your department's thesis responsible professor as early as possible!

Faculty Partners out EU (North America)



- Olin College (Boston)  Olin College

http://www.olin.edu/sites/default/files/cost_of_attendance_exchange_2016-17.pdf

- Stevens Institute of Technology (New York)



<https://www.stevens.edu/academics/undergraduate-studies/study-abroad/office-international-programs/visiting-students>

- Ecole supérieure de Technologie de Montréal – Canada  Le génie pour l'industrie

<http://en.etsmtl.ca/International/Etudiants-etrangeurs/Vivre-a-Montreal/International-Handbook>

❖ Living expense is relatively high (+8,000 €)

Global E3 network



<https://globale3.studioabroad.com>

- Exchange network - 72 universities - 20 countries
(but do not apply directly & not for EU universities)
- More than 40 universities in the US
- “undergraduate exchange” = year 1 to 4
- Exemption of tuition fee, but Global E3 is not a grants scheme
- English Certificate Needed (TOEFL)

Faculty Partners (Others)

- Bangkok university – Thailand (***Projects in the South***)
- Stellenbosch University – South Africa (***Projects in the South, Priority Country Program***)
- Seoul National University – Korea (***ASEM-DUO***)
- Sungkyunkwan University – Korea (***ASEM-DUO***)

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Step 2: Apply for studying abroad

Via KU Loket (“aanvraag studieperiode buitenland”)

- Instructions via:

<https://www.kuleuven.be/english/admissions/outgoing/instructies-erasmus>

- Upload an motivation letter
- Choose 3 destinations in order of preference
- Deadline for exchanges in 2020-21:

1st March 2020

+ extra online application for students who apply for non-EU grants

Some Remarks

- “Begeleider thuisinstelling” is Prof. **Sabine Vercruysse**
- In case of Erasmus+ or Erasmus Belgica, you can choose 3 destinations, with priority from high to low.
- Choose the right program of next year:
now in 3rd Bachelor -> then choose the master year
- Remember to update your info: account, address...

Recognition of your results

ECTS credit system is used for the transfer of credits abroad:

1. For courses

F	FX	E	D	C	B	A
6	9	10	11	13	15	17

2. For Master's thesis

F	FX	E	D	C	B	A
6	9	10	12	14	15	17

Insurance

- Check yourself before leaving! (Vaccinations...)
- KU Leuven insurance applies only to physical damage during the study activities that are part of your study abroad
- Extra travel insurance from KU Leuven (1,13 euro/day)
- Ask for medical card from your insurance company



Inform us about any accidents abroad as well!

Summary

<http://iiw.kuleuven.be/studenten/buitenland/buitenland>



Further information & Contact us

- www.kuleuven.be/internationaal/studenten/studereninhetbuitenland/
- www.flandersknowledgearea.be/nl/projecten/studeer-in-het-buitenland/
- www.iiw.kuleuven.be/studenten/buitenland
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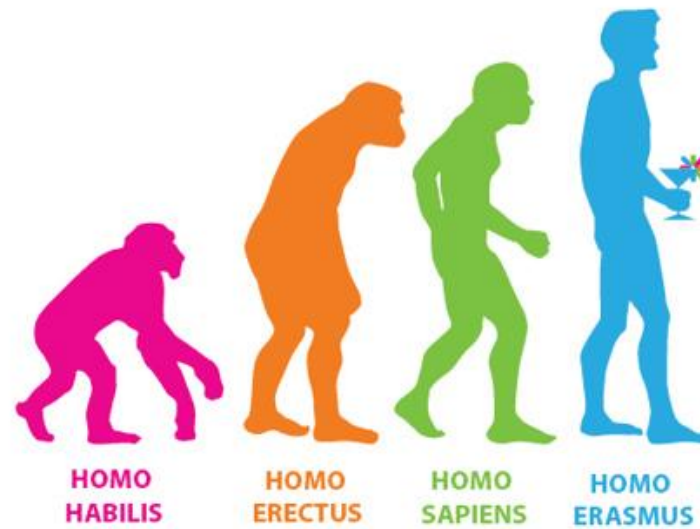
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Interesting Websites

- [KU Leuven](http://www.kuleuven.be/internationaal/studenten/studereninhetbuitenland/)
<http://www.kuleuven.be/internationaal/studenten/studereninhetbuitenland/>
- <http://www.kamiel.info/>
- <http://www.vliruos.be/reisbeurzen>
- <http://www.flandersknowledgearea.be/>
- <http://www.gostrange.be/>
- [Erasmus Student Network: www.esn.org](http://www.esn.org)
- <http://www.studeerinhetsbuitenland.be/>

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