

FACULTY OF MEDICINE



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The Faculty of Medicine, established in 1426, is one of the oldest faculties of KU Leuven and has been on the forefront of medical education ever since.

Innovative research and clinical knowledge are the pillars of our internationally-oriented faculty which is embedded in the research departments of the Biomedical Sciences Group and the clinical departments of the world-renowned University Hospitals Leuven (UZ Leuven).

Today, the faculty offers a broad range of biomedical science programmes at bachelor's, master's and advanced master's levels as well as a range of postgraduate studies. Educational programmes cover the fields of medicine, biomedical sciences, dentistry and speech pathology and audiology.

A variety of ultra-modern facilities, such as the Skills Lab, lecture halls with the latest equipment and videoconferencing equipment, support these educational programmes.

Innovative research and clinical knowledge are the pillars of the faculty's programmes. Our aim is to train health professionals who can cope creatively, critically, and flexibly with the current and future challenges in health care.

PROFILE

At the bachelor's level, the Faculty of Medicine covers the fields of medicine, biomedical sciences, dentistry, and speech pathology and audiology. The Bachelor of Medicine and the Bachelor of Biomedical Sciences can also be obtained at the campus in Kortrijk. These bachelor's programmes continue at the master's level. In addition, a Master of Nursing and Midwifery, a Master of Sexuality Studies, a Master of Management and Policy of Health Care, as well as a broad range of complementary and postgraduate studies are offered.

Representatives of the student body actively participate in the daily management of the faculty, especially regarding educational topics. They also organise cultural, sports and social activities, and distribute lecture notes.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES

BACHELOR's programmes:

- Biomedical Sciences
- Dentistry
- Medicine
- Speech Pathology and Audiology

MASTER's programmes:

- Biomedical Sciences (taught in Dutch and English)
- Dentistry
- Human Sexuality Studies
- Management and Policy of Health Care
- Medicine
- Nursery and Midwifery
- Speech Pathology and Audiology

ADVANCED MASTER's programmes:

- Deglutology (taught in English)
- Bioethics (taught in English)
- Family Medicine
- Hospital Hygiene
- Insurance Medicine and Medical Expertise
- Medical Radiation Physics



- Occupational Medicine
- Space Studies (taught in Dutch and English)
- Specialised Oral Health Care:
Endodontics; Orthodontics; Paediatric dentistry; Periodontology;
Restorative Dentistry
- Sports Medicine
- Youth Health Care
- Specialty Medicine (4 to 6 years):
Adult psychiatry; Anaesthesiology and reanimation;
Cardiology; Child and adolescent psychiatry; Emergency
medicine; Forensic medicine; Gastroenterology;
General surgery; Geriatrics; Gynaecology and obstetrics;
Internal medicine; Laboratory medicine; Medical oncology;
Medical radiology; Neurology; Neurosurgery;
Nuclear medicine; Ophthalmology; Orthopaedic surgery;
Otorhinolaryngology; Paediatrics; Pathological anatomy;
Physical medicine and rehabilitation;
Plastic, reconstructive and aesthetic surgery; Radiotherapy and
oncology; Respiratory medicine; Rheumatology;
Stomatology and oral and maxillofacial surgery; Urology

• Videoconferencing equipment:

The Pentalfa auditorium, equipped with videoconferencing facilities, can be used for interactive long-distance lectures for the bachelor's, master's, and PhD programmes as well as for specialist training.

The Pentalfa project is an interactive postgraduate distance learning programme for medical professionals. It consists of a weekly programme with simultaneous multipoint videoconferencing in five locations in Flanders and is supported by the Network of Flemish Hospitals, linked to the University Hospitals Leuven of KU Leuven.

STUDENTS (2020-2021)

Total students:	10244
Bachelor's students:	2990
Master's and advanced master's students:	5408
Doctoral and postgraduate students:	1846

PhDs can be obtained through the Doctoral School of the Biomedical Sciences Group to which the faculty belongs.

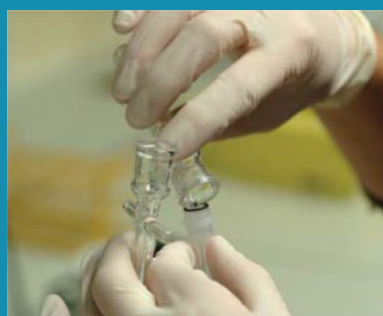
UNIQUE INFRASTRUCTURE

• Skills lab:

The Skills Lab is a multidisciplinary educational facility, used for teaching technical and communication skills. The lab is equipped with state-of-the-art equipment, such as simulation mannequins and instruments for clinical examination and cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Communication skills are taught in classrooms with audio-visual equipment and one-way screens.

COLLABORATION / PARTICIPATION / AGREEMENTS

- As part of an internationally-oriented university, the Faculty of Medicine hosts many foreign students and lecturers in various educational programmes as well as researchers and staff members in the research departments and at the University Hospitals Leuven.
- Within the Erasmus+ programme, students can take courses at a broad range of European universities.
- A part of the clinical clerkships in medicine can take place abroad. The faculty has formal agreements with universities in Europe, North and South America, Asia and Africa.
- Within the other study programmes, there are also many possibilities for international exchange experiences in Europe and beyond, for example in Brazil and Chile.



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