

FACT SHEET 2025-2026

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Facts and figures	
Foundation	Founded in 1817 by the Dutch king Willem I (United Kingdom of the Netherlands)
Language of instruction	Dutch: most BA programmes and majority of MA programmes. English: 1 BA programme 69 MA programme large number of exchange programmes (English taught courses)
Organisation	Main campus in Ghent; Campus in Kortrijk for Engineering Technology
Faculties	11 faculties spread over the city: - Arts and Philosophy - Law and Criminology - Sciences - Medicine and Health Sciences - Engineering and Architecture - Economics and Business Administration - Veterinary Medicine - Psychology and Educational Sciences - Bioscience Engineering - Pharmaceutical Sciences - Political and Social Sciences
Staff	15.500 staff members, 20% international staff
Students	51.808, 17,5% international students (2023/2024) 1.755 incoming exchange students (2023/2024) 2.341 outgoing exchange students (2023/2024)
Comprehensive university	50 BA programmes 140 MA programmes 69 English taught MA programmes
Course Catalogue	https://studiekiezer.ugent.be/en/zoek
EU	Active in almost all EU programmes in education and research
Rankings	Academic Ranking of World Universities (Shanghai Ranking): 90 Times Higher Education World University Rankings: 112

Organisation of the academic year 2025-2026

<https://www.ugent.be/student/en/class-exam-exchange-intern/class-exam/academiccalendar>

The academic year 2025-2026 will start on Monday 22th of September 2025.

Nomination procedure

Please submit your nominations by filling out this [online nomination form](#).

Deadlines nomination: **1st semester: 15th of April – 2nd semester: 15th of October**

Application procedure

Exchange students can apply at Ghent University if there is an agreement between Ghent University and their home university. Information about the application procedure: www.ugent.be/exchangeapplication.

Deadlines application: **1st semester: 15th of May – 2nd semester: 15th of November**

Language requirements

<https://www.ugent.be/prospect/en/administration/application/language/requirements.htm>

A good knowledge of Dutch and/or English is essential for studying at Ghent University.

For information about language tests and courses: uct@ugent.be

Accommodation

<http://www.ugent.be/en/facilities/housing>

Housing is available at the University Halls of Residence, where a number of rooms is reserved for international students. The Housing Office advises students on finding accommodation on the private rented market.

Exchange students can only apply for a room in the University Halls of Residence after having applied as an exchange student at Ghent University: <https://www.ugent.be/en/facilities/housing/exchange.htm>

Disability

<http://www.ugent.be/disability>

Ghent University has facilities for students with a learning or physical disability. Disabled students can rely on the support services, which offer material, technical, and social aid.

Estimated cost of living https://www.ugent.be/en/facilities	
Tuition fee (for degree students only)	Variable http://www.ugent.be/tuitionfee
Courses/books	+/- € 500 per academic year
Study material	+/- € 100 per academic year
Housing	Prices vary according to the location of the room See this webpage for current prices
Transport: Bus, tram Pass (student)	Transport in Gent
Transport: Bike rental	Prices depend on which type of bike you rent

Insurance https://www.ugent.be/prospect/en/administration/insurance-prospect-students
Health insurance is mandatory. EU-inhabitants: European Health Insurance Card (= blue card) Non-EU: Worldwide health insurance or a copy of your application for health insurance at a 'ziekenfonds' in Belgium

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