

學校簡介

荷語魯汶大學全稱天主教魯汶大學，簡稱KU Leuven，位於比利時荷語區魯汶市。1425年，天主教魯汶大學在教宗馬丁五世的授權下建立，距今已有近600年曆史，是低地國家中最古老的大學。

天主教魯汶大學在世界主要排名中一直位居前列。2022年，其在泰晤士世界高等教育排名中位於第42名，2023年US News世界大學排名世界第50名，2022年QS世界大學排名第76位。

天主教魯汶大學在計算機科學、工程、自然科學、神學、人文、醫學、法律、商業和社會科學領域開展教學和研究。

KU Leuven於2016到2019年在最具創新力的大學排名中位列全歐洲第一，這跟學校發表的相關科學期刊文章，以及專利申請的數量和影響等有關。魯汶大學一共有四個校區可供交換生選擇：布魯塞爾、魯汶、安特衛普、根特。校方特別註明無法跨區選課。其中又以魯汶校區為大學城最受學生歡迎。

國外研修之課程學習（課內），另外推薦受益最多/最喜歡的課程

交換生在魯汶大學的選課方式有點限制，有很多堂課的老師在第一週都不上課，因為在行政方面選課或加退選的截止日通常都在第一週上完課後，導致學生無法判斷該課是否符合預期。但在課程方面，魯汶大學的課相當扎實給的內容很多，很多堂課幾乎都是期末考定生死，所以在考前幾天才看是會複習不完的，建議每週去完課後復習，考前兩週開始規劃進度，而且課堂幾乎都會錄影不用怕忘記課堂上的東西。教授在上課很很鼓勵學生發言參與課堂互動，也就是說魯汶大學注重的不只是學生的語言表達與團體參與，在筆試方面也需要對專業內容有充分的準備。我在這次交換選了三堂碩士班的課，分別為Global, B2B and Service Marketing, The Foundation of Entrepreneurship, 及Talent management.

在這其中我最愛的是The foundation of entrepreneurship，教授為業界經驗豐富的人士，請來的課座講師也都是比利時及德國企業的創始人，雖然說這堂課每周都需要看兩篇學術論文也有分組報告，但也使我在看論文方面速度更快更能找出關鍵的資訊，也在相當程度上增進了我的批判性思考而不是一味的接收資訊

國外研修之生活學習（課外）

來歐洲交換不免俗的會去鄰近國家遊玩，其中又以比利時的地理位置最為優越。位於歐洲的中心、連接各國的鐵路及價格優惠的飛機，讓每個假期都可體驗不同文化的機會。這次交換相繼去了荷蘭、法國、捷克、愛爾蘭、匈牙利、義大利、奧地利、德國、英國及葡萄牙等國家，有些是舊地重遊找朋友，有些則是這次交換解鎖的新地方。在比利時課餘時間，也會和當地的同學品嚐不同種類的比利時啤酒。比利時每個城市都有自己特色的啤酒，有些較古老的小鎮甚至有小鎮修道院釀的啤酒，當地朋友都開玩笑說比利時和尚的工作就是在釀酒。另外，也會和同宿舍的室友在晚餐間一起下廚，魯汶大學的宿舍住的不只有國際生也有本地學生，所以也有機會用自己國家的美食交朋友。

交換/研修之具體效益（請條列式列舉）

- * 不同文化交流
- * 增進外語各方面的能力
- * 獨立自主的生活
- * 練習批判性思考
- * 對不同文化能夠更接納
- * 體驗不同教授上課及評分的方式

海外生活期間是否曾遭遇困境，及是否解決問題?如是，請說明如何解決問題;如未解決，請說明事件最大的啟發及思考未來可以怎麼解決?

無遇到困境，很享受交換的生活

海外生活期間是否曾遭遇文化衝擊，您如何去面對及適應?

與其說是文化衝擊，不如說是觀察到不同的地方。拿比利時的服務業來說，服務生有自己做事的步調，如果他們當時在忙別的事，是會先把客人的需求放在第二位，而客人也會尊重服務生不會覺得被忽略。在生活方面來說，商店在下午六點就會結束營業，大型超商也止到晚上八點，星期日更是不營業，所以每周都要規劃好去超市購買的食物。也不用去特別適應，就是別的國家不同的生活方式。

海外生活歷練是否為您人生帶來不一樣的改變或者個人特質上的轉變，最大的成長是什麼?

出國交換帶給我的成長莫過於在遇到緊急事件時要更冷靜的去面對跟解決，及變得更主動去爭取想要的東西或是應有的權利。

您認為獎學金對您海外研修最大的幫助是什麼?有無獎學金是否會改變您的出國計畫?

獎學金的部份我應用在買機票及一點生活費上面。有無獎學金不會改變你的出國計畫，因□出國交換為學程的畢業門檻。

感言及心得感想

感想及心得已於前幾個問題答到

英文心得(包含學校簡介、課程學習、生活學習、具體效益、心得感想等等)

The Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (KU Leuven) is a Catholic research university in the Belgian city of Leuven. It conducts, conducts research, and provides services in the fields of computer science, engineering, natural sciences, theology, humanities, medicine, law, canon law, business, and social sciences. It includes satellite campuses in Kortrijk, Antwerp, Ghent, Bruges, and Brussels in addition to its flagship campus in Leuven. The largest university in Belgium and the Low Countries is KU Leuven. Although many programs—particularly graduate and postgraduate degrees—are offered in English, Dutch is the institution's major language of teaching.

During my exchange with KU Leuven, I stayed with the Faculty of Economic and business. I like that the professors in the faculty are experts in their fields and have published papers in international well known journals. KU Leuven offers a wide range of courses that are quite solid and provide a lot of content. It is not recommended to review the lecture content just a few days before the exam. It is best to review after each class every week and start to plan reviews two weeks before the exam. However, the good news is that most of the classes are videotaped, so there is no need to worry about forgetting the content. The professor also encourages students to participate in classroom interaction and pay attention and join group participation. KU Leuven not only tests students for the written exams but also the other soft skills. The master's courses I attended in KU Leuven were Global, B2B and Service Marketing, The Foundation of Entrepreneurship, and Talent management.

Among the classes I took, my favorite is The Foundation of Entrepreneurship. The professor in the course is experienced in the industry, and the guest lecturers he invited are also founders of Belgian and German companies. This class requires me to read two academic articles every week and also submit group reports, but this has allowed me to read papers faster and find out key information, as well as enhance my critical thinking to a considerable extent, rather than just blindly receiving information.

Exchanging to Europe offers many opportunities to explore the continent, and Belgium is especially advantageous due to its central location. With access to a variety of cheap transportation methods, like planes and trains, it is easy to visit neighboring countries. During my exchange, I had the chance to explore the Netherlands, France, the Czech Republic, Ireland, Hungary, Italy, Austria, Germany, the United Kingdom, Portugal and other countries. If I am going to travel, I decided to make it pleasant, which means good food and exploring new countries. I also took advantage of my time in Belgium to sample the local beers, as each city has its own unique brews, some of which are even brewed in monasteries. Some of my local friends often joke that the job of Belgian monks is to brew beer. However, I soon found out that there is much more to the culture than just beer. In the dormitory of KU Leuven, I have the opportunity to make friends with both international and local students. We often gather in the dinner room to cook together, and I get to enjoy the food of my own country. It's a great way to bond with new people and learn about different cultures.

Overall, exchange is a great way to improve one's ability in a foreign language, gain independence in life, practice critical thinking, become more accepting of different cultures, and experience the way different professors teach and grade. It is an invaluable experience that can help broaden one's horizons and open up new opportunities.