

## Specific administrative conditions applicable to students from outside the European Union for the 2024–2025 academic year

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Nationals of non-exempt countries outside the European Union (see "Exempted students" below) wishing to apply to study at ULiège for the 2024–2025 academic year must meet all the following administrative conditions:

- 1) Applications must be submitted online between 15 February 2024 and 31 March 2024. Important points:
  - Applications must be complete. Applicants must upload any missing, incomplete or insufficient documents within four weeks after being asked to do so by the Registration and Admissions Service.
  - The deadline does not apply to students who are registered as part of an international programme with a cooperation grant (ARES-CCD) or who are registered as part of a collaborative agreement or joint-degree programme between their institution and the University of Liège. For these students, applications are accepted as long as enrolment is possible within legal time frames.
- 2) Applicants must personally submit their applications (no intermediaries).

  Under certain collaboration or joint degree agreements, applicants may receive administrative assistance from their home institution. However, they must still complete their application themselves.
- 3) Applicants must complete and sign the statement indicating that they are aware of the measures taken by ULiège to combat matriculation fraud.

## Important points:

ULiège may:

- a) Contact the applicant's home institution to check the authenticity of academic documents submitted by the applicant;
- Contact the applicant for an interview to assess their knowledge and skills (interview conducted by the chair of the jury for the relevant course using a video-conferencing tool or instant messaging application);
- c) With the applicant's permission, send a copy of the admission letter to the diplomatic services to which the applicant will apply for a visa;
- d) For the purposes of combating fraud, forward the academic documents produced by the applicant as part of their application to the diplomatic services to which the applicant will submit their visa application.
- 4) Applicants may submit only one application per academic year. It should be noted that the jury may, if it considers it appropriate, make a counter-proposal to the student if they are rejected for the course for which they have applied.

- 5) (For students applying for an undergraduate course) Applicants must hold a qualification giving access to the Bachelor's course they are applying for, and must do so by 31 March 2024.
- 6) Applicants must have the required language skills. They must provide proof of B2 level in the language the course they have applied for is taught. Due to the many false and inadmissible documents received, only the tests indicated on the ULiège website will be accepted.
- 7) Applicants must pay a deposit of €200 no later than 31 March 2024. This fee will be deducted from the enrolment fee in the event of the student enrolling. Failure to pay this administration fee by 31 March will result in the application being refused.

  Important point: this deposit is non-refundable, even if admission is refused or if the applicant does not complete their enrolment for the academic year in question.
- 8) Applicants must provide a funding plan to the University. Notes:
  - Among other ways proof of means of subsistence can be demonstrated, applicants may call
    on a guarantor (Formal obligation to assume financial responsibility Appendix 32). Where
    applicable, it is the responsibility of the student to ensure that the guarantor meets the
    conditions laid down by the Belgian Immigration Office (Formal obligation IBZ) and that they
    are not financially responsible for other students. The University of Liège cannot be held
    responsible if it accepts a formal commitment which is not ultimately approved by the
    Immigration Office.
  - Students who are admitted for enrolment at ULiège will be able to make a deposit into a
    "blocked" bank account managed by ULiège. As this deposit is considered acceptable proof
    of means of subsistence by the Belgian Immigration Office, the measure should remove a
    major obstacle to obtaining a visa for some students.

## **Exempt students**

For 2024–2025, the above conditions apply to <u>all</u> non-EU nationals, with the <u>exception of</u>:

- students who have been "assimilated" under Article 3 of the Decree of 11 April 2014 (e.g. refugees and asylum seekers);
- students with a Belgian Certificate of Upper Secondary Education;
- students with a qualification obtained from a higher education institution in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation (special cases for students not covered by the "Passerelles" Order: no accumulation of qualifications or enrolment in a grade lower than that already obtained);
- students applying to enrol in an undergraduate course with selection criteria under the "non-residents" decree (veterinary studies, physiotherapy, speech therapy, medicine and dentistry);
- students legally residing in Belgium and eligible to sit the engineering entrance examination;
- students applying for enrolment on the basis of a recent qualification from the current academic year or the two previous academic years obtained in a European Union country outside the Wallonia-Brussels Federation.