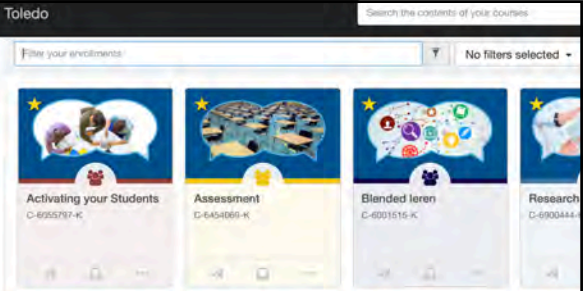






Lifelong Learning and distance education at KU Leuven

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LIFELONG LEARNING



PROFESSIONAL AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH CONTINUING EDUCATION
Continuing Education provides opportunities for further training through lectures or seminars or short trainings.

COMBINE WORK AND STUDY
KU Leuven provides several options to [obtain a Bachelor's or Master's degree while working](#).

Which training to choose?
It doesn't matter in which field you want to educate yourself, KU Leuven is an excellent landmark and offers many possibilities. It is evident that the choices you have to make between several educational options are in line with your personality, your life and work situation. An additional training can also have far-reaching consequences for yourself and your surroundings. To get an idea of your own situation, you can use [this checklist](#) as a directive.



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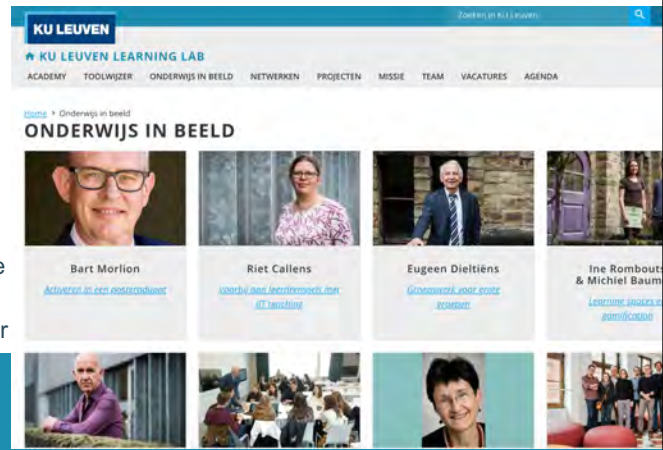


A learning network which brings together staff from central services and local support staff

To strongly support innovation in education and educational technology to the teaching staff

Aims to:

- Highlight and bring together educational expertise in faculties and units
- Learn from practice, research and from each other



Organisation of the university



A COMPREHENSIVE UNIVERSITY	KU LEUVEN IN NUMBERS	OUR RESEARCH
78 bachelor's programmes (74 taught in Dutch, 4 in English)	Founded in 1425	7,296 researchers
205 master's programmes (141 taught in Dutch, 62 in English, 2 in French)	14 campuses in 10 cities across Flanders	475 million euros research expenses
44 advanced master's programmes (19 taught in Dutch, 24 in English and 1 in Spanish)	16 faculties	5,098 PhD students
	57,286 students	124 spin-offs
	20,524 staff members	
	+250,000 alumni	



LLL and CE in Flanders and in Leuven

- Very limited legislation
- Long tradition in continuing education
- Responsibility of faculties
- Central support unit LLL
- First policy paper on CE in 2014

CE at KU Leuven Facts & Figures

- 95 courses (postgraduate courses + certified CE)
- 1474 students
- 1000+ short courses (summer courses, congresses, short trainings, ...)
- MA programmes open for professionals



Vision on lifelong learning and continuing education (2017)

Not one, but two strategy papers

1. Approach from the viewpoint of the **learner**: the University of Leuven as a **lifelong learning university**
LLL as a broader concept with focus on the learner and his/her learning process
2. Approach from the viewpoint of the **CE offer**: **University Continuing Education**
University CE as part of the educational offer, aimed at specific target groups



1. KU Leuven as lifelong learning university

- LLL = process that starts in bachelor/master as “*the promotion of a “want-to-learn” attitude and the competences to be able to learn*” (Van Petegem, 2011)
- LLL = part of university culture
- LLL = employability + citizenship + the joy of learning
- LLL = community building
- Create a stimulating learning environment for a diversity of learners
 - Building a LLL attitude (21st century skills) throughout the curriculum through sequencing of courses
 - Flexible and transparent learning paths (online, blended, ...)



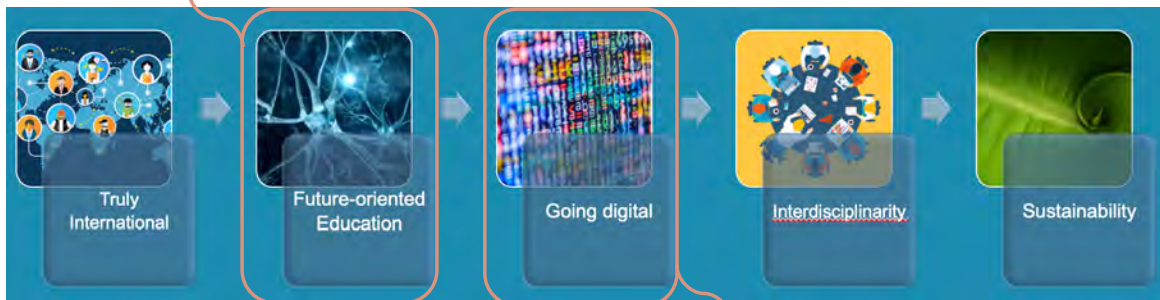
2. University Continuing Education

- One specific way of LLL (update, broadening or specialisation of knowledge and/or competences)
- An essential and substantial component of the education offer of the University
- At the crossroads of education, research and service to society
- Variety of long term educational programmes and short term activities
- Design principles
 - Connecting learning needs with research findings (academic orientation)
 - Invest in sectoral and professional networks
 - Interdisciplinary courses and programmes
- A combination of organisational models



Strategic plan 2017-2021

"The choice for a future-oriented teaching model based on activation and a matching structure of the academic year."



"The use of educational technology in a way that facilitates collaborative learning and multicampus learning and broadens the international reach"

PENTALFA

Multidisciplinary post academic distance education at the Faculty of Medicine



Education

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Learning and studying at University

- Distance education university in the Netherlands
- Bachelor and Master
- Agreement with Flemish Government
- 3.784 students in Flanders
- Study Centre OU at various locations (Leuven and Kortrijk)

MOOC portfolio

13 MOOCs on



MOOC portfolio

"In the pipeline"

Autumn 2019	7 new MOOCs
Spring 2020	6 new MOOCs



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Learning Spaces

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Thank you for listening!

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