

FACULTY OF LAW AND CRIMINOLOGY EXCHANGE FACTSHEET 2026-2027

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ACADEMIC INFORMATION	
Nomination procedure & deadlines	<p>Nominations via e-mail to law.international@kuleuven.be</p> <p>1st semester or year's exchange: 31st March 2026 2nd semester exchange: 1st September 2026</p> <p>Requested information: student name, e-mail address, birth date, gender, field / level of studies and exchange period, level of English, need of facilities.</p>
Application deadline	<p>1st semester or year's exchange: 30th April 2026 2nd semester exchange: 1st October 2026</p> <p>Instructions for online applications will be send after nomination. Students are asked to await those instructions before starting the application.</p>
Courses for incoming exchange	<p>Courses for Exchange Students Faculty of Law (Leuven)</p> <p>Each year around July 15th the above link will be updated to read the program for next AY. Only minor changes are to be expected. Courses available to incoming exchange students are taught on Master level. The min. workload is 21 ECTS and the max. workload is 30 ECTS per semester.</p>
Required language level	<p>English language requirement of 94 TOEFL IBT or 7 IELTS. Students from non-English speaking home countries are requested to hand in proof of proficiency with their application.</p>
Other requirements	<p>Students should ideally have completed 180 ECTS in the field of Law before their exchange (approx. 3 years of Law studies). Students with at least 120 ECTS (approx. 2 years) may also be accepted if their home university confirms they are prepared for Master-level studies.</p> <p>An official Transcript of Records must be submitted during the online application.</p>
Credit & grading system	<p>Download the grade distribution table of the 'Master of Laws' reference group for grade conversion via this link.</p>

IMPORTANT PRACTICAL INFORMATION
Living, studying & working in Leuven
Orientation Days for International Students
Housing for Exchange Students
Service for students with disabilities
Health Insurance
Visa
Introductory Dutch courses for Erasmus students

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2026-2027	
17 August 2026	Start of the registration period for 2026-2027
14 September 2026 – 20 September 2026	Orientation Days for all new incoming international students of Campus Leuven Welcome and information sessions Website Orientation Days
16 September 2026	Opening ceremony of the academic year 2026-2027
21 September 2026	Start of classes in the first semester of 2026-2027
19 December 2026	End of classes in the first semester
19 December 2026 – 3 January 2027	Christmas and New Year holidays
4 January – 10 January 2027	Exam preparation. No classes
11 January – 30 January 2027	First semester exams (*)
7 days after the announcement of the exam results	Period for consultation of the exams (**).
2 February 2027	Patron's Feast Day – university offices will be closed
30 January 2027 – 7 February 2027	Mid-year break. No classes
2 February 2027 – 7 February 2027	Orientation Days for all new incoming international students of Campus Leuven Welcome and information sessions Website Orientation Days
8 February 2027	Start of classes in the second semester
27 March 2027 – 11 April 2027	Easter holidays
22 May 2027	End of classes in the second semester
22 May 2027 – 6 June 2027	Exam preparation. No classes
7 June 2027 – 26 June 2027	Second semester exams (*)
7 days after the announcement of the exam results	Period for consultation of the exams (**).
16 August 2027	Start of the registration period for 2027-2028
16 August – 4 Sept. 2027	Examination retakes for failed exams 2026-2027 (*)
7 days after the announcement of the exam results	Period for consultation of the exams (**).

(*) In some faculties exams start earlier! Please ask your exchange programme coordinator.
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(**) This period can be different for each faculty. Please ask the exchange programme co-ordinator.
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