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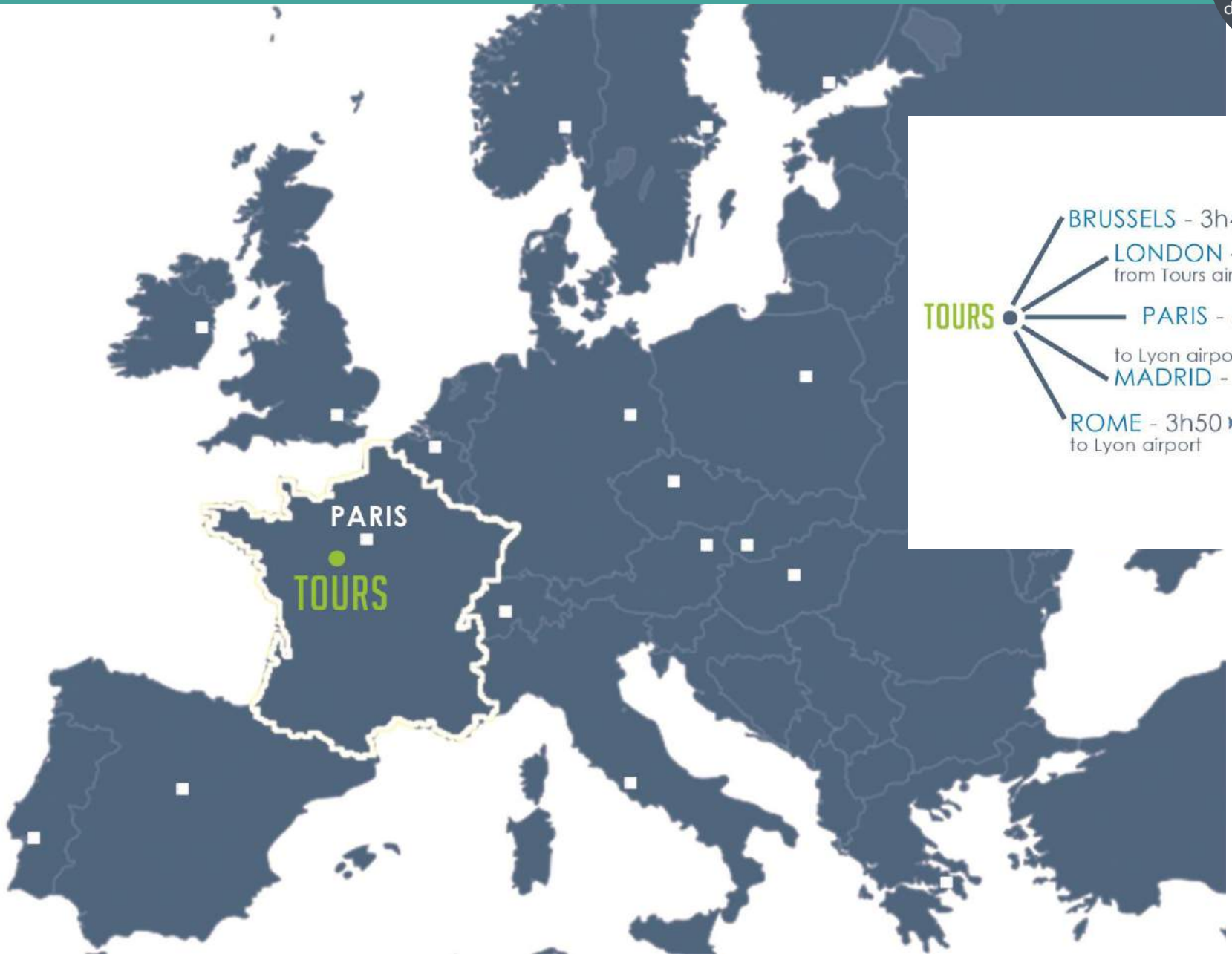


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- BRUSSELS - 3h45
- LONDON - 1h30 from Tours airport
- PARIS - 55min
- MADRID - 4h10 to Lyon airport
- ROME - 3h50 to Lyon airport

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- A dynamic city located one hour from Paris by train
- In the heart of the Loire Valley : « *le Jardin de la France* »
- Known as the cradle of French language

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- Creation of the University of Tours in **1970** (initially named after François Rabelais)
  - The largest public higher education institution in the French Region Centre-Val de Loire

- Students: **27,280** in 2016-2017 including
  - **71 %** in the first 3 years (Bachelor's degree)
  - **19 %** in Master Degree
  - **10 %** in Doctorate
  - **2900** international students, i.e. 11 %
  - 7560 degrees issued per year

- Staff : **1200** teaching & research staff
  **1300** technical & administrative staff

- **35** research laboratories

- A yearly consolidated budget of **208 million €**

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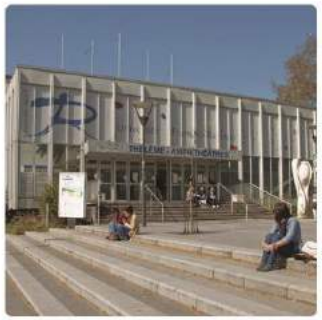
## 7 Faculties



**Literature & Languages**
3340 students

**Arts & Humanities**
4430 students

**Law, Economics & Social Sciences**
4410 students

**Sciences & Technology**
3930 students

**Pharmaceutical Sciences**
860 students

**Medicine**
6100 students

**Centre for Renaissance Studies**
165 students

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## **1 Engineering School – Polytech Tours**

- **3** specializations fully taught in English
  - Electronics and Energy
  - Mechanics and System Design
  - Urban and Territorial Planning & Environment

  - **1150** students

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## 2 Institutes of Technology (IUT)

- Campus of Tours
  - Social Careers
  - Management of business & administrations
  - Biological Engineering
  - Electrical Engineering & and industrial IT
  - Information & Communication
  - Techniques of Commercialization
  - **2110** students

- Campus of Blois
  - Networks and Telecommunications
  - Physical Metrology
  - Science and materials engineering
  - Internet and Multimedia
  - **600** students

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# STUDY

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## A course offer covering the entire range of disciplines

- **315** National Diplomas including
  - **16** DUT (diploma from an Institute of Technology)
  - **22** Bachelor's Degrees
  - **27** Vocational Bachelor's Degrees
  - **25** Masters' Degrees and 73 Specialities
  - **5** Engineering Specializations at Polytech Tours
    - Computer Science
    - Industrial Computing
    - Mechanics and Systems Design
    - Electronics and Electrical Energy Systems
    - Environment & Urban and Territorial Planning
- **104** University Diplomas

**7,560** diplomas issued in 2015

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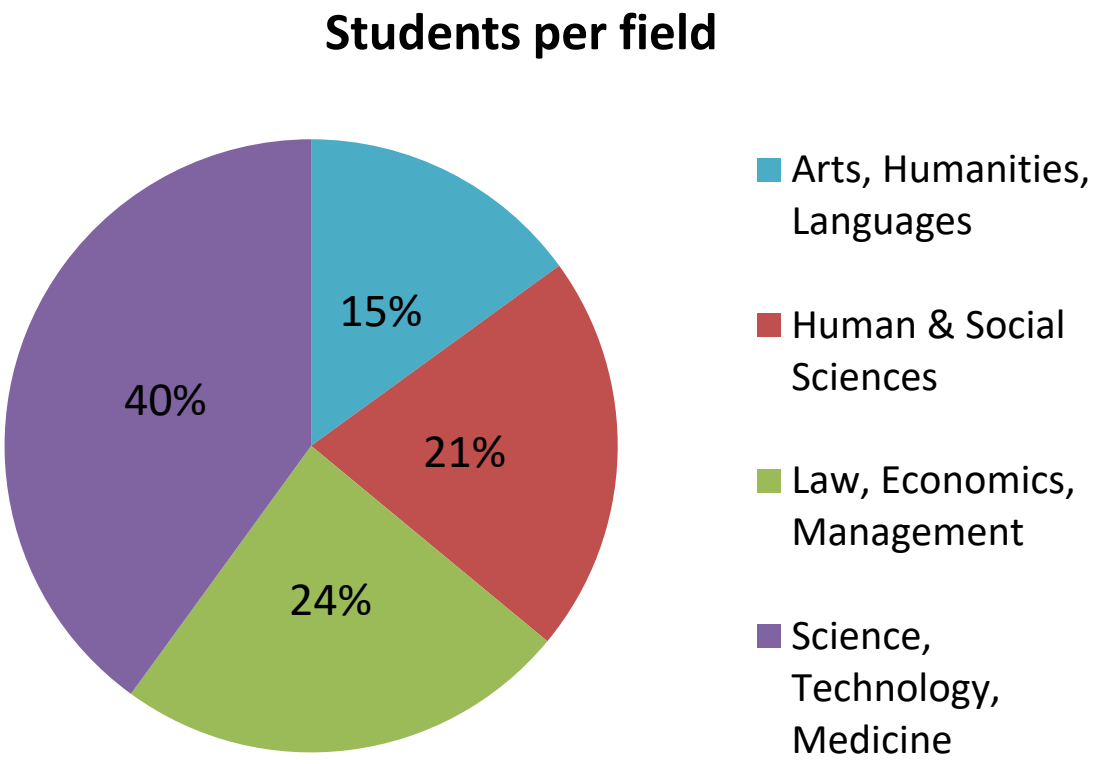
## 4 Main Fields

- Arts, Humanities, Languages
- Human and Social Sciences
- Law, Economics, Management
- Science, Technology, Health



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# BACHELORS in Arts, Humanities, Languages

## Law/Languages

- German
- English
- Spanish
- Italian

## Applied Foreign Languages (LEA)

- English/German
- English/Spanish
- English/Italian
- English/Chinese
- English/French as a Foreign Language (FLE)

## Foreign Languages, Literatures & Civilizations

- English
- Spanish
- Italian

## Literature

## Language Sciences

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# BACHELORS in Human and Social Sciences

## Art History

## History

- Archeology
- History

## Philosophy

## Psychology

## Sociology

## Music & Musicology

- Musicians-Performers
- Music & Musicology
- Jazz & Modern Music

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# BACHELORS in Law, Economics, Management

## Economic & Social Administration

- Administration & Territorial management
- Administration & Business Management
- Administration & Social and Health Management

## Law

- Private Law
- Public Law
- Law & Political Sciences
- French Law & German Law *(combined program of the Universities of Tours and Bochum)*

## Law/Languages

- German
- English
- Spanish
- Italian

## Economics

## Geography & Urban planning

## Management

- Management Sciences
- International management
- Business experience
- Social & Healthcare management ( with the Faculty of Medicine)

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# BACHELORS in Science, Technology, Health

## Information Technology

## Mathematics

## Chemistry

## Physics

## Earth & Environmental Sciences

- Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Engineering of Water environments & Freshwater systems

## Life Sciences

- Health Biology
- International
- Biodiversity/Ecology/Evolution

## Common First Year of Health Studies (PACES)

- The first year of common courses and options prepares students for the competitive exam required for the following disciplines: Medicine, Dentistry, Midwifery, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy.

# MASTERS in Arts, Humanities, Languages

## Foreign Languages , Literatures & Civilizations

- German studies: Discourse & Practice in cultural mediation *(set up with Ruhr Universitat Bochum)*
- Italian studies
- Languages & international business
- Advanced linguistics & Linguistic interfaces
- English-speaking worlds
- Spanish & Latin-American studies *(set up with Universidad de Murcia and Universidade Nacional de Colombia)*

## Sociolinguistics and Language Teaching

- French as a foreign or second language: Appropriation, diversity and insertion
- French as a foreign or second language: Pluralities, intercultural, linguistic policies

## Literature, Arts and Humanities

- Culture & Mediation in the performing arts
- French literature
- Music & Musicology

## Heritage: Written – Material – Immaterial

- Written heritage & online writing
- Immaterial cultural heritage
- Renaissance: the Genesis of Modern Europe

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# MASTERS in Human and Social Sciences

## Psychology

- Cognition, Neurosciences & Psychology
- Gerontological Psychology
- Child & Adolescent Psychology: socialization, education & handicap
- Psychopathology & Clinical Psychology
- Psychology of Work & Organizations

## Historical Sciences

- History
- Art History
- History & Cultures of Food
- Research & Archeological professions

## Social Sciences & Epistemology of Action

- Philosophy & Practice
- Sciences of Education & Training

## Societies, Cities and Territories

- Geography
- Sociology/Anthropology

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# MASTERS in Law, Economics, Management

## Territorial Governance

- Administration of Local collectivities
- Environment , Territories, Landscape
- Management of Territories & Urban environments

## International & European Law

- International Business Law
- European Law

## Business Law

- Business & Finance
- Work Relations

## Public Law & Private Law

- Counsel & Litigation
- Health Law
- Promotion & Building Management
- Biotechnologies & Law

## Economics

- Business Economist
- Complementary Work in Information Technology

## Management Training

- Management of Quality & Projects
- Management & Administration of Business
- Management of Teams, Health & Quality of Life at work

## Finance & Auditing

- Audit & Oversight of international business
- Banking & Finance professions
- Research applied to Management sciences

## Strategic Management of People & Organizations

- Strategic Human Resources management & Sustainable performance
- Service Marketing
- Public Management
- Management of Small Businesses & Entrepreneurship
- Research applied to Management sciences

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# MASTERS in Science, Technology, Health

## Integrated Biology & Agricultural Sciences

- Biology of Reproduction
- Integrative Plant Biology : genes, plants, agrosystems
- Behavioral Ecology, Evolution & Diversity
- Quality & Environment in Animal Production
- Sense & Innovation in Agrifood

## Biology & Health

- Biotechnologies & law
- Cognition, Neurosciences & Psychology
- Cellular & Molecular Infectology, Vaccinology, Therapeutic antibodies
- Physiopathologies
- Promotion & Health Management
- Production & Regulation of Health Products: quality & risk management in health
- Relationship Host-Graft

## Information Technology

- Information Technology for Decision Making
- Computer Science for Decision Making (M2 in English)
- Complementary work in IT

## Mathematics

- Applied Mathematics

## Materials Science

- Multifunctional Materials & New Energy Technologies
- Electronic & Mechanical Engineering (M2 in English)

## Physics & Imaging

- Imaging & Medical Physics
- Imaging of Living Organisms & Radiopharmacology
- Non-linear models in physics (M2 in English)

## Sciences of Water & Environment

- Hydrosystems & Watersheds: diagnostic & environmental risk
- Planning and Sustainability - Urban and Regional Planning (M2 in English)

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# RESEARCH

# RESEARCH ● An Innovative Institution



## **35** recognized research teams

- **18** with CNRS, INSERM or INRA
- **800** permanent researchers
- **190** engineers and technical staff
- **8** European research programs are developed
- **60** PhD under international joint supervision in progress
- Many centers of excellence, recognized worldwide

## € **71**-million-euro-budget

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## In 2016-2017, UFRT is involved in:

- **International Networks including**
  - **12 COST** Programmes
  - **5** International Research Network (GDRI)
  - **2** International Associated Laboratories (LIA)

- **International Projects including**
  - **3 H2020 –** Horizon 2020 is the biggest EU Research and Innovation programme :
    1 Societal Challenges + 2 Industrial Leader
  - **2 FP7** – EU's 7th Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development :
    Collaborative Projects + Infrastructure
  - **2 ERC -** European Research Council

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## 3 major fields of research

### Sciences and Technology

- Energy & Materials
- Geosciences, Environment & Space
- Mathematics, Computer Science, Theoretical Physics, Systems engineering

### Life and Health Sciences

- Health
- Biological Science
- Life Chemistry

### Human and Social Sciences

- Law
- Economics & Management
- Urban & Regional Planning, Territories, Societies
- Cognitive Sciences
- Humanities, Arts, Languages, Literatures

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## A very short list of best recognized research specialities :

### Biomedical research

- Medical imaging
- Therapeutic antibodies
- Vaccinology
- Cancerology
- Infectiology,...

### Multidisciplinary research on Renaissance Historical Period (at the CESR: Centre d'Etudes Supérieures de la Renaissance)

- History
- Art
- Sciences
- Literature
- Musicology
- Philosophy

# RESEARCH ● Our Identified Specialities



- A very short list of <u>well recognized</u> research specialities :

  - Neurosciences, Insect Biology
  - Mathematics, Theoretical Physics
  - Materials for electronic and energy
  - Chemistery for medicine
  - Sociology, Geography, Archeology
  - Linguistics
  - Musicology, History and History of Art, Literature

## **2** Major Cross-Disciplinary research programs for the 2015-2020 period :

- **In Life Science and Health**
  - Biomedicines

    *From fundamental research to clinical progresses and industrial development*

- **At crossroads of Humanities, Biological Sciences and Computer Sciences**
  - Heritage and Biodiversity

    *Multidisciplinary approaches of natural and cultural heritage, with collection and clever treatment of large databases*

## LabeX MAbImprove

- Optimization of therapeutic monoclonal antibodies development

*Enabling the development of new biopharmaceuticals*

- Two pilot sites: Universities of Tours and Montpellier

*A project deeply embedded in a national network of pharmaceutical laboratories*

## LabeX IRON

- « Innovative Radiopharmaceuticals in Oncology and Neurology »

*Labex is to develop innovative radiopharmaceuticals and transfer them to the clinic for molecular imaging diagnosis (PET: Positron Emission Tomography) in neurology and oncology and targeted radionuclide therapy of cancer.*

## LabeX SYNORG

- Synthetic Chemistry for Life Sciences

## A proactive policy in favor of collaborations with private companies and research transfer

- Several laboratories of the University hosted in companies' premises
- Several mixed private-public laboratories
  *Ex: CERTEM (Center for studies and research on microelectronics) with ST Microelectronics*
- Electronics, mechanics, radioactive products for medicine, fluvial ecology, insect ecology, software for imaging in medicine and human sciences, …

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## **5** Doctoral Schools

- Energy, Materials, Earth and Universe Sciences
- Mathematics, Computer Science, Theoretical Physics and Systems Engineering
- Health, Biology and Biochemistry
- Literature and languages
- Social Sciences : Territories, Economics and Law

## Around **100** Doctoral thesis (PhDs) awarded in 2016

- 700 PhD students in 2016/2017
- 266 foreign PhD students are hosted
- 60 PhDs under international joint supervision

## **27** International Postdoctoral Researchers in 2016

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## A Dedicated Service Centre for Foreign Researchers

- Member of the EURAXESS Network

*Part of the French network of mobility centers providing access to a complete range of information and support services to researchers wishing to pursue their research careers in Region Centre-Val de Loire.*

- Our missions :
  - *Informing before departure*
  - *Welcoming upon arrival*
  - *Counselling during the whole stay*
  - *Accompanying for all formalities*

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For any request, please contact:

✉ mobilitycentre@univ-tours.fr

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## Incoming Researchers in 2017

- **264 International Researchers welcomed in Tours**
  - 25% invited Professors and Researchers,
  - 22% Post-docs
  - 53% PhD students

- **assisted with 710 actions :**
  - Visas procedures & information on legal issues
  - Housing
  - Opening a bank account
  - French courses
  - Registration to school for the children
  - Administrative assistance (insurance, driving licence...)

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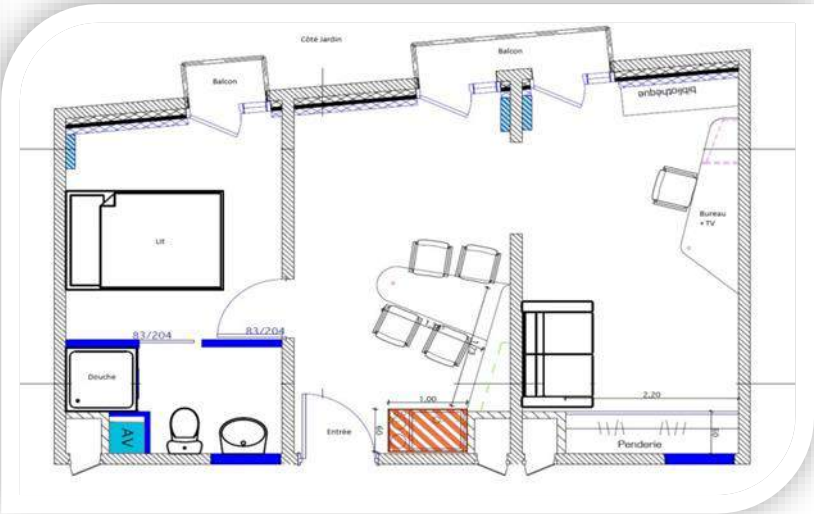
# Housing facilities for foreign researchers

- Résidence du Monde CROUS-Tanneurs
  - 4 apartments of 28 m² within the historical heart of the city

- *Fully furnished, Wifi, TV…*
- *Secured and quiet*
- *Dedicated to our international guests*
- *For short and long term*



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# INTERNATIONAL

## France is ranked at the 4th position for welcoming international students, after USA, UK and Australia

- **310,000** international students, i.e. 7% of all international students doing a mobility worldwide in 2015
- Mainly in the Paris area - 35% -

## Main home countries

Marocco

China

Algeria

Tunisia

Italy

Senegal

Germany

# INTERNATIONAL • Key Figures



## **2,900** international students in our university, standing for **131** nationalities

- **480** exchange students
- **180** students in Degrees set up with international partners
- **40** students registered in our Master's Degrees in English
- **200** students following courses of French Language

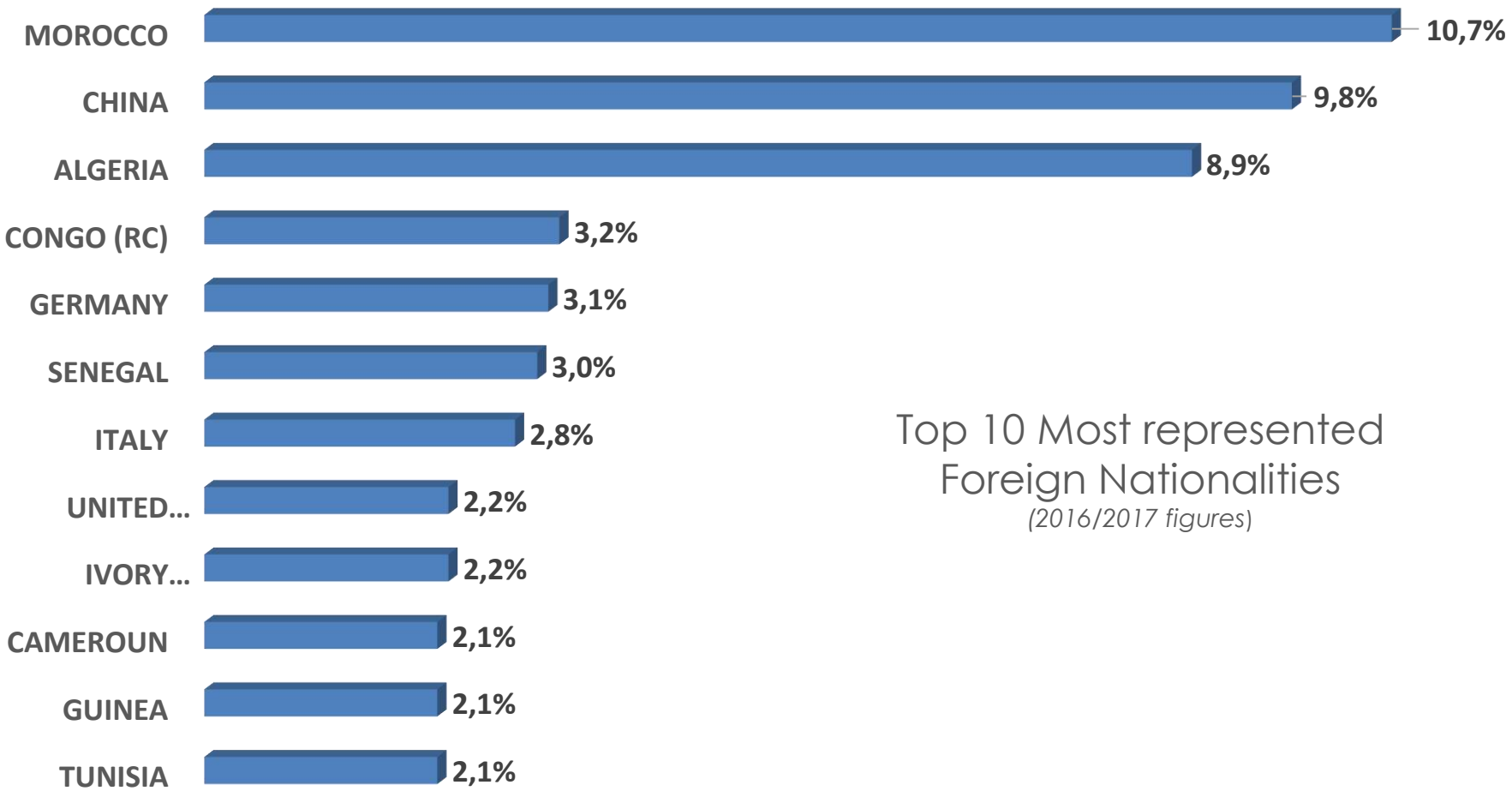
## More than **700** students abroad

- **500** following courses
- **210** doing their internships

# INTERNATIONAL • Key Figures - Incoming Mobility



## **2,900** international students in our university




Top 10 Most represented Foreign Nationalities

*(2016/2017 figures)*

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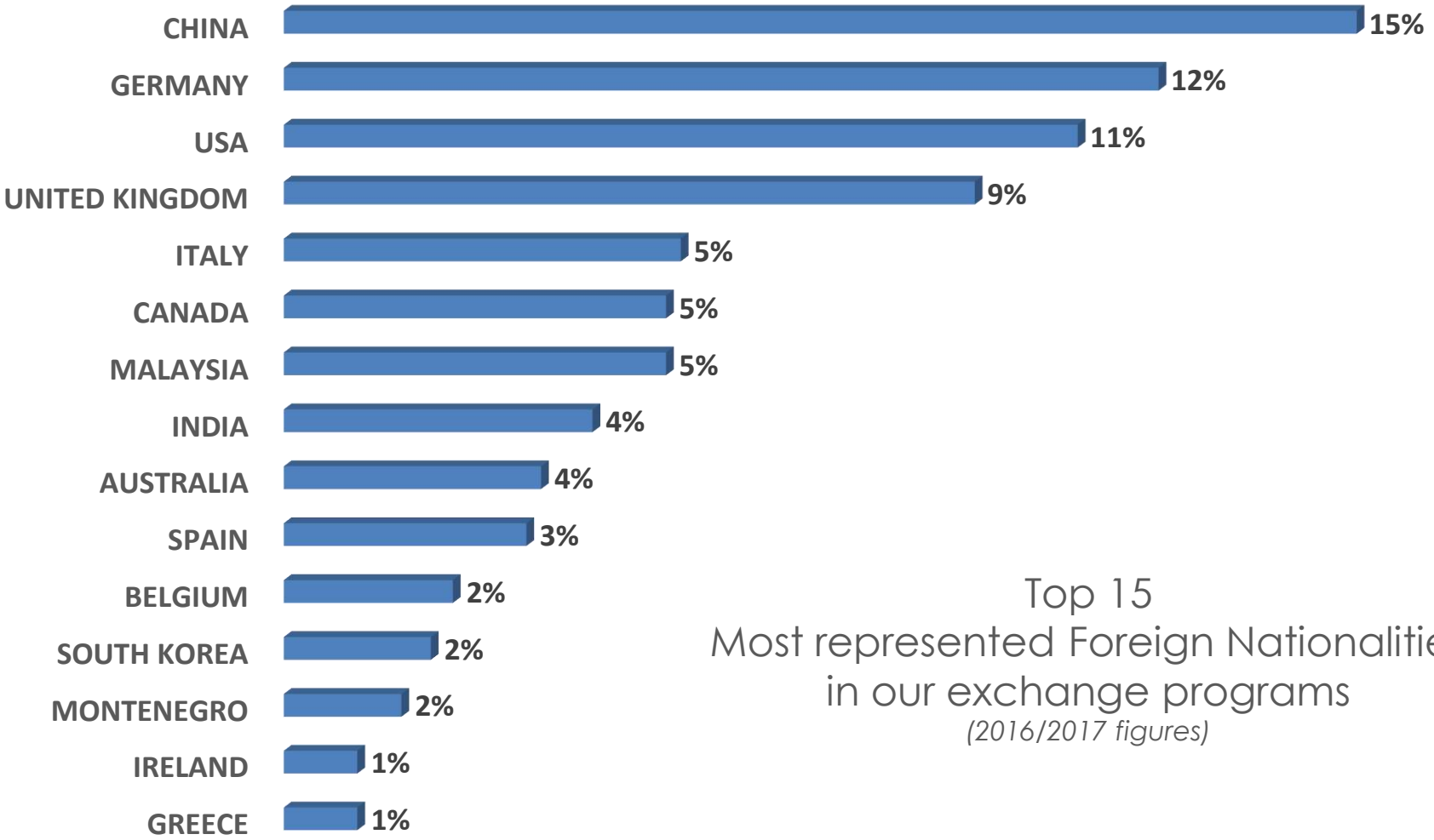
## **480** exchange students




Top 15
Most represented Foreign Nationalities
in our exchange programs
*(2016/2017 figures)*

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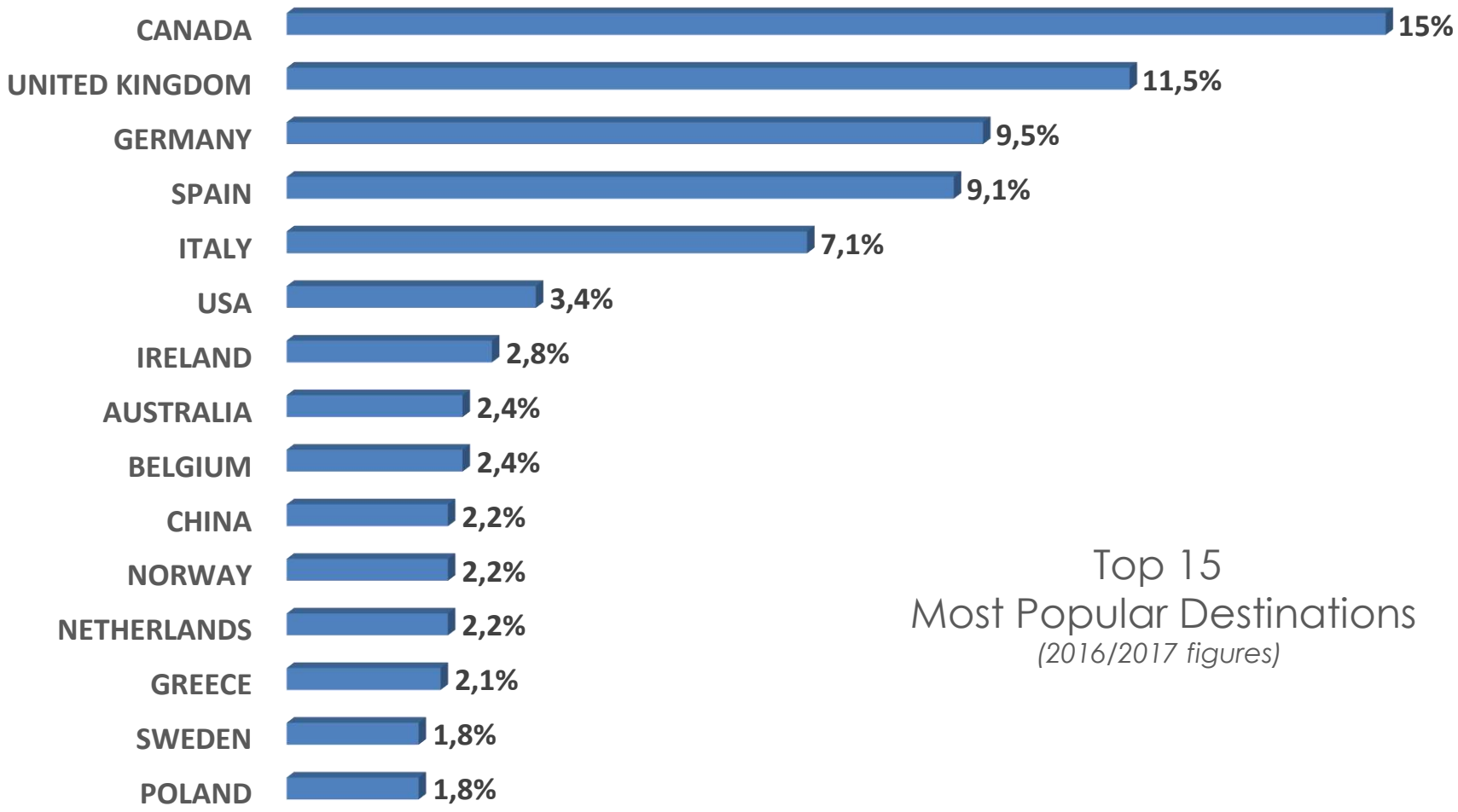
# **710** students abroad...




Top 15
Most Popular Destinations
*(2016/2017 figures)*

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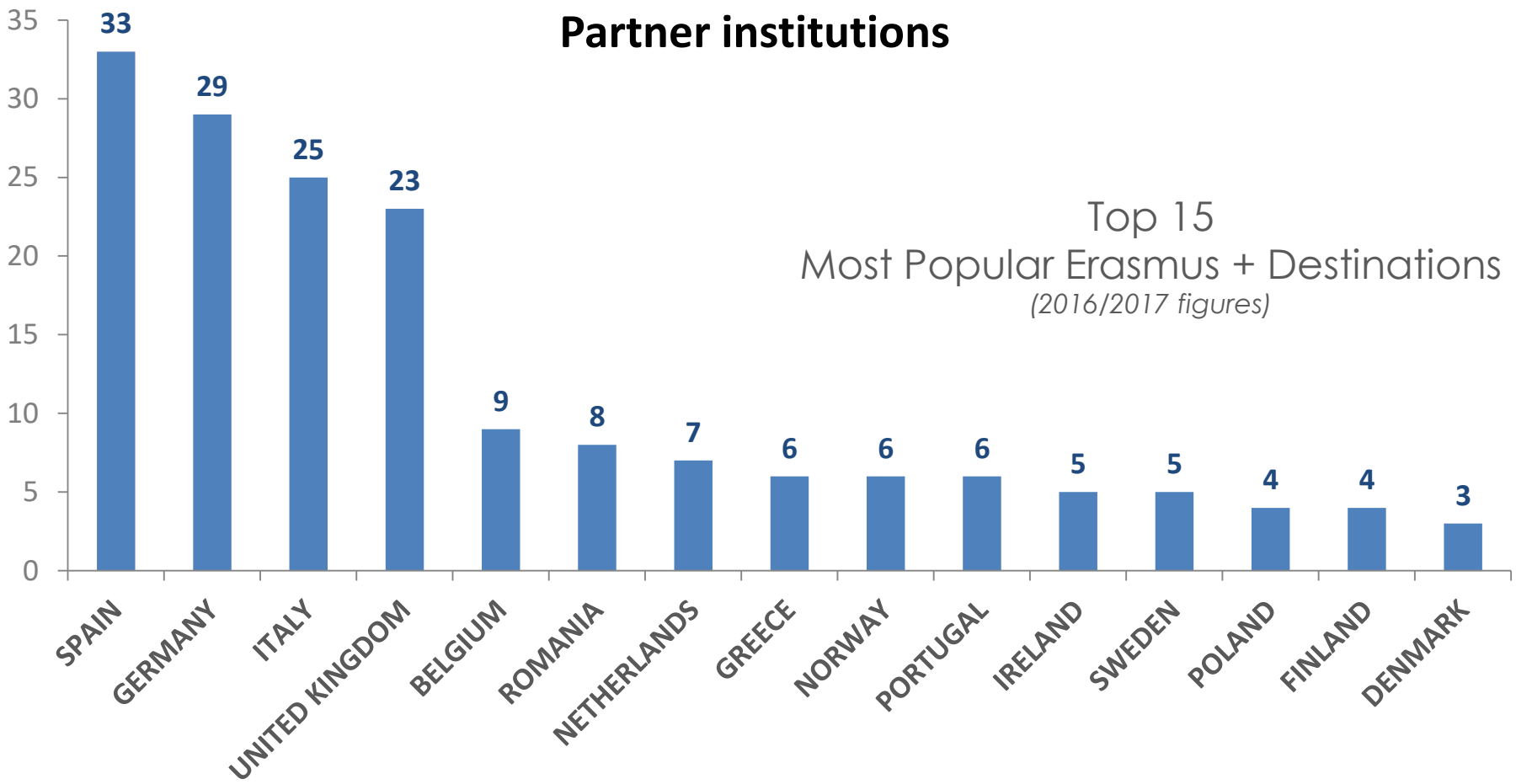
## ... among which **450** doing an Erasmus + mobility



## Our University Center for Teaching French to International Students (CUEFEE) offers :

- Linguistic assistance to exchange students
  - Whose French level is B2 or higher (TCF > 399)
  - A maximum of 12 credits (ECTS) by semester can be obtained at CUEFEE

- French courses for specialists
  - Open to exchange students enrolled in a French language degree in their country
    > Students can study French language at the CUEFEE + disciplinary courses in the appropriate faculty
    > A university diploma of French studies (DUEF) at levels B2 or C1 as well as ECTS credits can be obtained

  Cost: 1200 €/semester - exchange student rate
  1400 €/semester - individual student rate

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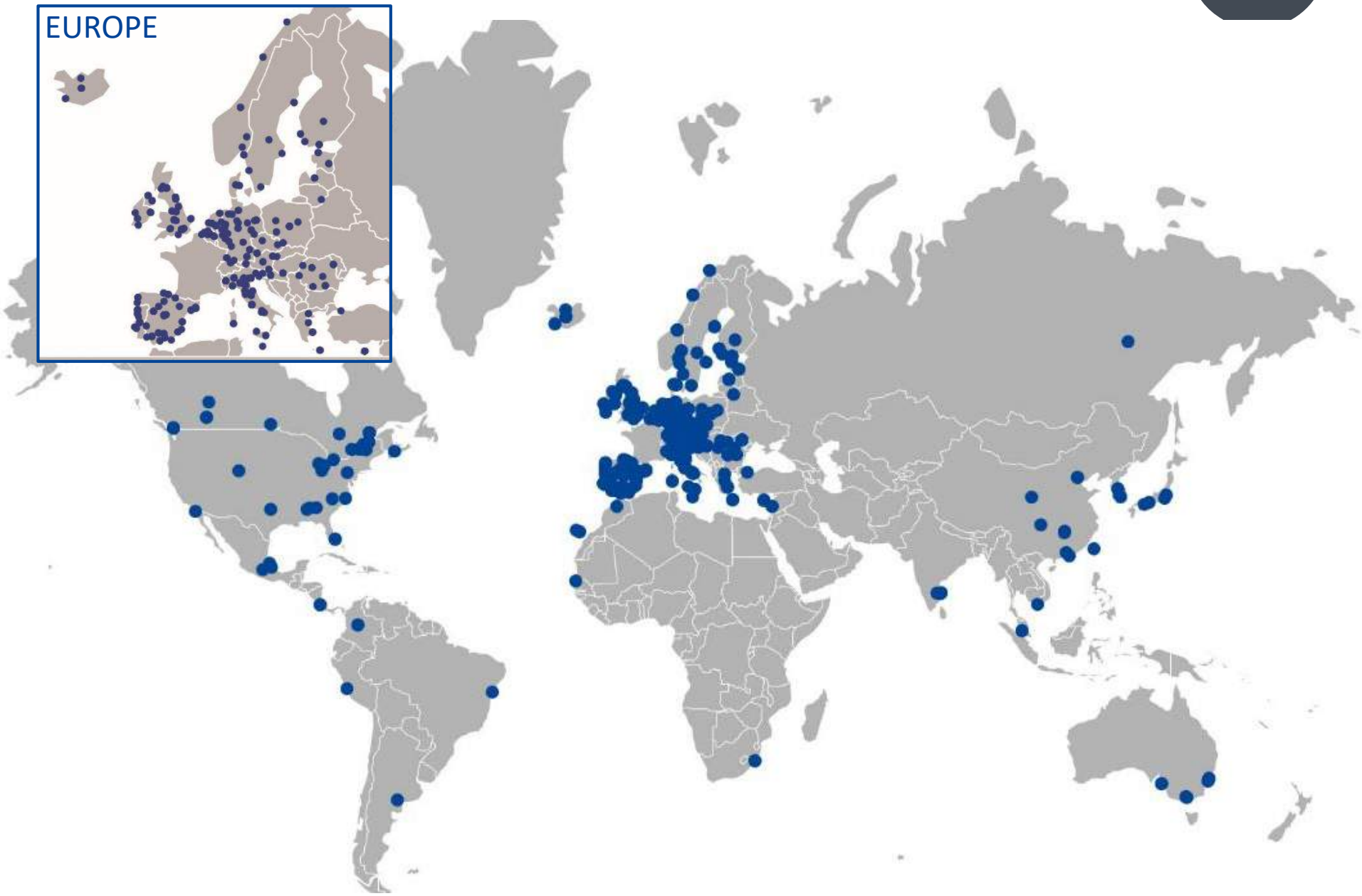
# **INTERNATIONAL** ● Our International Partners



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# North America and Oceania

## USA

- Bucknell University
- University of Wyoming
- Birmingham-Southern College
- University of California, Los Angeles
- Davidson College
- San Diego State University
- Wayne State University
- Michigan State University
- East Carolina University
- University of Alabama
- Florida Atlantic University
- University of West Georgia
- University of North Texas
- Bowling Green State University

## CANADA

- Simon Fraser University
- University of Calgary
- Western University – Ontario
- University of Alberta
- Douglas College – Vancouver
- Wilfrid Laurier University
- University of Windsor
- Acadia University
- Université de Sherbrooke
- University of Winnipeg
- Université Laval – Québec
- Université de Montréal
- Université du Québec –Chicoutimi
- Université du Québec – Trois Rivières
- Ecole de Technologie Supérieure
- Institut National de la Recherche Scientifique - Québec

## AUSTRALIA

- Sydney University
- Macquarie University
- University of Wollongong
- Flinders University
- University of Adelaide
- La Trobe University
- Deakin University
- Monash University

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## Central and South America

**Argentina**
Universidad Nacional de La Plata

**Brazil**
Universidade Federal da Bahia

**Chile**
Universidad de Valparaiso

**Costa Rica**
Universidad de Costa Rica

**Colombia**
Universidad Nacional de Colombia

**Mexico**
Universidad Internacional
Universidad Veracruzana
Instituto de Ecología

**Peru**
Universidad Ricardo Palma

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# Asia 1/2

## CHINA

- Beijing Institute of Technology
- Beijing Jiaotong University
- Beijing University of Chemical Technology
- Beijing Forestry University
- University of Science and Technology (Beijing)
- Central South University (Changsha)
- China University of Petroleum (Beijing)
- Harbin Engineering University
- Hunan Normal University (Changsha)
- Hunan University (Changsha)
- Hunan Agricultural University (Changsha)
- Hunan University of Commerce (Changsha)
- North Eastern University (Shenyang)
- South China Normal University (Guangzhou)
- City University of Hong Kong
- Xiangtan University (Hunan Province)
- Southwest University of Political Science & Law (Chongqing)

## VIETNAM

- Ho Chi Minh City University of Sciences
- Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology
- Can Tho University

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## Asia 2/2

### SOUTH KOREA

- Chungnam National University
- Korea University – Seoul
- Kyung Hee University
- Sungkyunkwan University
- University of Seoul
- Chungbuk National University
- Daegu Gyeongbuk Institute of Science and Technology

### JAPAN

- Chuo University
- Hiroshima University
- Konan University
- Osaka City University
- Kyoto Prefecture University
- Shibaura Institute of Technology
- National Institute of Technology, Kagawa College

### INDIA

- Anna University
- IIT Madras
- SRM University
- University of Madras
- Vellore Institute of Technology
- Vel Tech University

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## Tours as an international window:

- **330** Erasmus agreements in **27** European countries with **195** partners
- More than **100** agreements out of Europe
- **4** offshore curriculums (2 in Vietnam, 1 in Brazil, 1 in Lebanon)
- **1** « Politics & International Relations » specialisation at undergraduate level
- **5** Master's programs taught in English
- **16** double degrees
- **2** Master's Erasmus + International
- **1** Jean Monnet Chair
- Study abroad programs designed on demand

## Erasmus + international partner countries - 2015/2017

Montenegro

India

Vietnam

- **75** mobilities realized (students, PhD and teachers)

## Erasmus + international partner countries - 2016/2018

Canada

- **44** mobilities to be realized (students, PhD and teachers)

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## 16 Double/Multiple Degrees

- Bachelor « European Computer Science » ECS *(Germany, Spain, Finland, Portugal , Romania, Italy)*
- Bachelor French Law/ German Law *(Germany: Ruhr Universität Bochum)*
- Bachelor in History *(Germany: Ruhr Universität Bochum)*
- Master in History *(Germany: Ruhr Universität Bochum)*
- Master in Theory and Practice in Cultural Mediation *(Germany: Ruhr Universität Bochum)*
- *Master in Geography (Lebanon: Université La Sagesse)*
- Master in Italian Studies *(Italia : Università degli studi di Perugia)*
- Dual program in French as a Second Language *(Canada : Simon Fraser University)*
- Bachelor in Musicology *(Germany: Folkwang Universität der Kunste)*
- Master in Service Marketing *(Lebanon : Université St Joseph)*
- Master in Computer Science *(Senegal : Université G. Berger)*
- Master in French Literature *(Montenegro : Université Crne Gore)*
- Master in Spanish and Latin-American Studies *(Spain: Universidad de Murcia et Colombia: Universidad Nacional de Colombia)*
- Master in Mechanical Engineering *(Inde : VIT)*
- Master Erasmus + Joint Master Degree Programme in Big Data Management and Analytics (BDMA) *(Spain, Belgium, Germany)*
- Erasmus + International Master of Science in Infectious Diseases and One Health (IDOH) *(University of Edinburgh, Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona)*

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# 4 Offshore Degrees

**BRAZIL, Rio de Janeiro - Instituto Internacional de Educaçao - UERJ/UFRJ**

- Master's Degree in Service Marketing

**LEBANON, Beyrouth - Université St Joseph**

- Master's Degree in Service Marketing

**VIETNAM, Hanoi - University of Science and Technology of Hanoi**

- Master's Degree Renewable Energies

**VIETNAM, Ho Chi Minh City - Ho Chi Minh City University of Sciences**

- Master's Degree in Applied Mathematics

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## **5** Master's programs taught in English :

- **Big Data Management and Analytics (BDMA)**
  Faculty of Science, Blois – Erasmus + International
- **Erasmus + International Master of Science in Infectious Diseases and One Health (IDOH)**
  Faculty of Science, Tours – Erasmus + International
- **Planning And Sustainability: Urban and Regional Planning** - Polytech Tours
- **Electronic And Mechanical Engineering** – Polytech Tours
  Mechanical engineering program
  or Electronic engineering program
- **Fundamental Physics** – Faculty of Science, Tours

# INTERNATIONAL ● Our « Politics & International Relations » specialization



## Available at the Undergraduate level, from the 1st year of Bachelor to the 3rd one.

- Great dynamics of the the Contemporary World:
  - History & Civilization (France, Germany, USA and Great Britain in the 20th century)
  - International Relations : Geopolitics – Economic, Migratory and Urban Dynamics
  - Political Institutions & Constitutional Law (France, Great Britain and USA)

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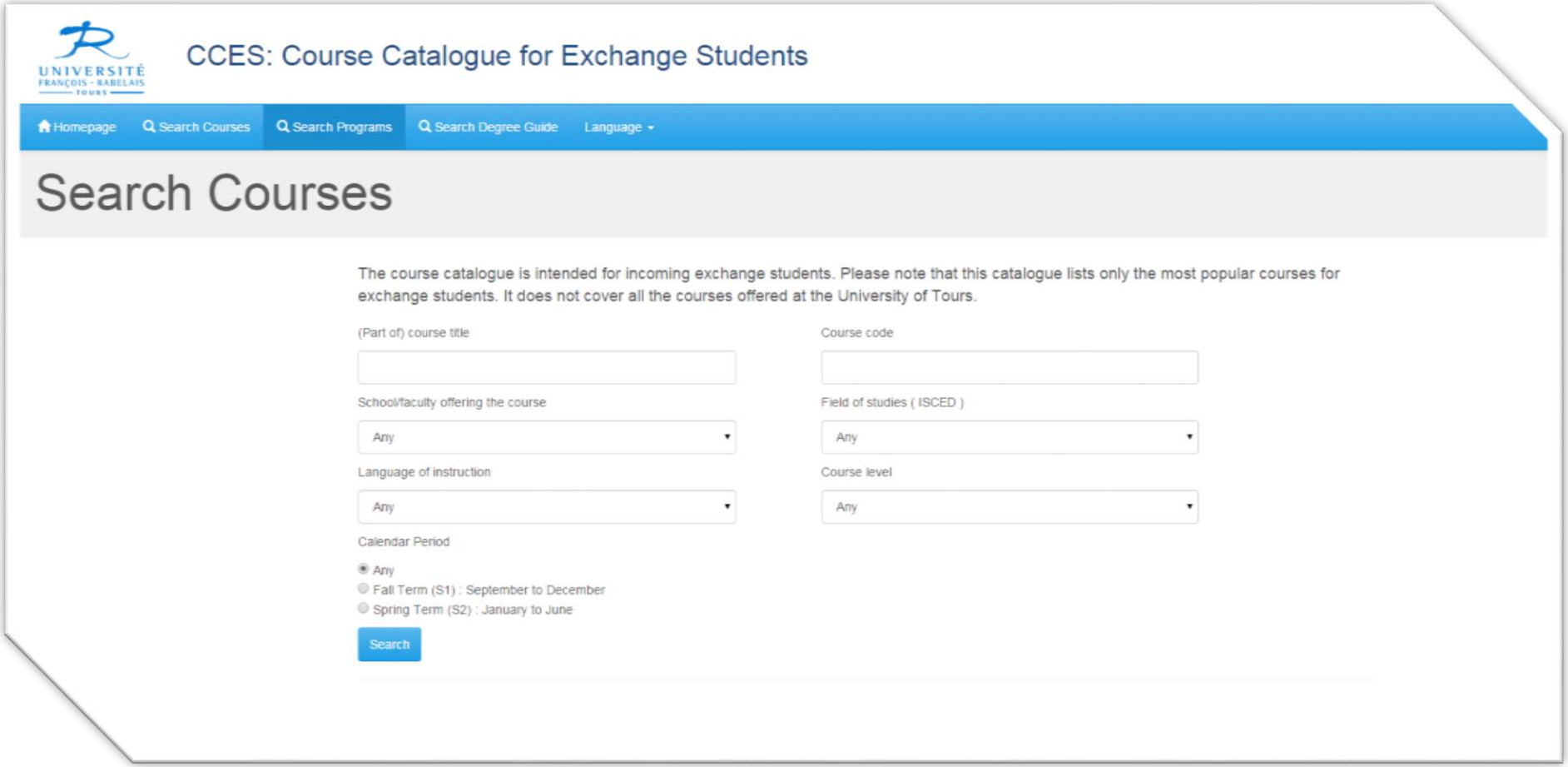
## Course Catalogue for Exchange Students - CCES




http://cces.univ-tours.fr

- **Exchange students can apply for a supervised project in our labs within the Faculty of Science and Technology**
  - The project is carried out in a laboratory under the supervision of a lecturer, assistant professor or professor. The students will be examined by an oral presentation, a written report and a theory test.
  - Students can validate 15 ECTS at Bachelor level or 20 ECTS at Master level during the semester.
  - Students can complete their learning agreement with CUEFEE's French courses for foreign students (up to 8 ECTS) and with disciplinary courses -> http://cces.univ-tours.fr/

- **Fields: Biology, Chemistry, Geosciences, Computer Sciences, Mathematics and Physics, etc...**

- **Other fields of study are available for welcoming students**

# Big Data Management and Analytics (BDMA)

- Joint Master's Degree
  - Université libre de Bruxelles
  - Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Barcelona
  - Technische Universiteit Eindhoven
  - Technische Universität Berlin

- Content : Unique programme that fully covers all of the data management and analytics aspects of Big Data (BD), built on top of Business Intelligence (BI) foundations, and complemented with horizontal skills. It has been jointly designed and adheres to international studies, being structured to cover all the skills BI and BD specialists require.

- 1st semester in Brussels, 2nd semester in Barcelona, 3rd semester either in Tours, Eindhoven or Berlin (depending of the choice of specialization), 4th semester in any of the partner or associated partner institution

# Infectious Diseases and One Health – IDOH

- Joint Master's Degree coodinated by the University of Tours
  - Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona
  - The University of Edinburgh
  - Associated partners: a 34 institutions' network (labs, higher education institutions, pharmaceutical companies and animal health companies)

- Objective : Offering a deep knowledge within the field of infectious diseases affecting humans and animals.

- 1st semester in Tours, 2nd semester in Barcelona, 3rd semester in Edinburgh and a 4th semester's internship in a lab or in a company

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# FACILITIES

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## University Accommodation

- CROUS (national student service agency) offers rooms and studio apartments:
  - **10** halls of residence
  - **2,800** beds
  - From **170** to **410** Euros per month
- Private housing in the city or with families

A typical 9m2 university room including a bathroom (shower,sink & WC) and a fridge.
Collective kitchens on each floor.

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## Food

- **15** University Restaurants
- They offer a complete meal for **3,25 €**

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## Libraries

- A central university library offering over **600,000** titles
- **17** specialized research libraries

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## 6 Language Resources Center (CRL)

Through its Language Resource Centers (CRL), the University provides students with a guided self-study system tailored to their academic, professional and personal needs and targets.

Softwares, books, movies and video materials, international magazines and TV channels are available so that any student can learn or improve a new language.

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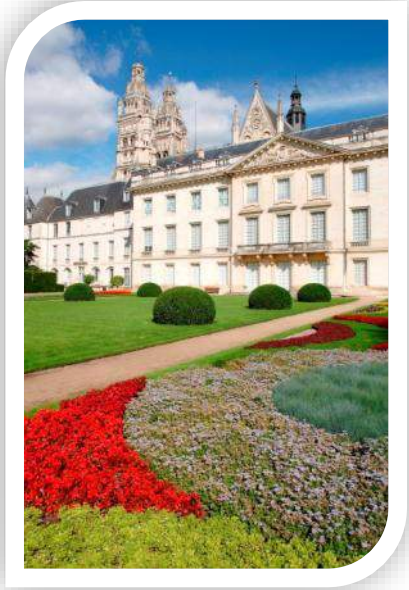
## An intense Cultural & Social Life !

- University "Passport to Cultural Experience" which enables discount prices on to **50** of the town's top cultural addresses!

- **50** artistic structures in and around Tours :
  Museum of fine arts, Contemporary Creation Center, Regional Theater, Opera and Concert hall, Thélème (fully-equipped University Concert & Theatre auditorium sitting 600), …



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## An intense Cultural & Social Life !

- Cultural program and buddy system dedicated to exchange students

- **100** students' associations
  Including **Erasmus Student Network Tours** – an association intended for local and international students

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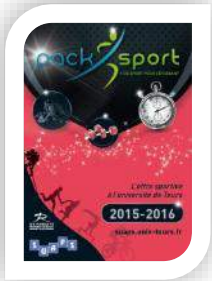
# Sports

- **160** clubs and student societies in Tours
  - with over 33,000 members practicing
  - 120 different sports in university facilities or in town




- **63** sporting activities on offer within the University structure
- The Pack Sport card (25€) gives students access to this full range of activities. They can also benefit from the reduced rates proposed by the various local partner clubs.
- Special arrangements available for high-level athletes

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## A University Medical Office

A multidisciplinary team of doctors and nurses offer free individual consultations :

- General Practice
- Dentistry
- Psychology
- Gynecology
- Dermatology
- Nutrition
- Sports Medicine

## A dedicated Office for disabled students

The « Mission Handicap » implements global and customized actions to take into account the student's needs so that he/she can make the best of his/her studies and social life.

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## A human-sized city

- **350,000** inhabitants in Tours conurbation
  - with over 30,000 students

## 1 hour from Paris by TGV

## A city renowned worldwide for its cuisine, its wines, and « art de vivre »

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- The Capital of the **Touraine** area, where the river **Loire** – listed as UNESCO World Heritage - flows
- Home to **Rabelais**, **Leonardo da Vinci**, **Descartes**, **Ronsard**, **Balzac**...
- A modern enterprising city with a prestigious past (The Loire Valley and its Châteaux)

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