



CONSERVATOIRE ROYAL DE LIÈGE

ÉCOLE SUPÉRIEURE DES ARTS DE LA FÉDÉRATION WALLONIE-BRUXELLES



Information for incoming Erasmus+ students

Music Department



INCOMING ERASMUS+ AT « CONSERVATOIRE ROYAL DE LIÈGE »

General information

This brochure contains practical information for incoming students interested in spending a period at the “Conservatoire royal de Liège” in the framework of Erasmus+ programme.

Ideally, all the steps necessary to organise the mobility must be initiated one year before the departure date.

The organization of the mobility requires considerable involvement from the students and consultation with their teachers and international relations department at their home institution. If you are interested, make sure to contact your international office to ask for the procedure and deadlines of your home institution.

Do you have questions? Contact our international relations coordinator:

Available by video conference appointment, email and telephone.

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INTRODUCTION

Applications are open for students coming from one of the 27 countries of the European Union, Iceland, Liechtenstein, North Macedonia, Norway, Turkey and Serbia.

- Students from Switzerland are allowed to apply through their own international mobility programme: « [SEMP](#) » (Swiss-European Mobility Programme).
- Students from Great Britain are allowed to apply with specific conditions, please check the availability of the Erasmus+ programme with your international relations coordinator.

Before to send us your application, this must be approved by your home institution: please contact the international relations coordinator of your institution for information regarding the programme requirements. From this academic year, the “Conservatoire royal de Liège” is part of the project EASY of the [AEC](#). You have to apply through the common platform, sign in and you will be led through the procedure:

<https://aec.dreamapply.com/>

**Applications are open from February 1st 2021 until May 1st 2021!
The selection results are to be expected by 1st July 2021 at the latest**

In case your home institution or the “Conservatoire royal de Liège” would not appear in the list of possible institutions, please contact the international relations coordinator of your institution. The CrLg has many Inter-Institutional Agreements, both in the framework of Erasmus+, and with various other institutions. Check our [list of partners](#) and if your institution is not there, please get in touch with us.

TYPE OF MOVILITY AND REQUIREMENTS

The “Conservatoire royal de Liège” accept incoming students from Bachelor and Master Cycle as well as “Young Graduate” Erasmus+ mobility:

- applications are open for study and traineeship contracts ;
- The CrLg does not accept incoming students for “aggregation” master, young talent program, Pedagogic Bachelor and Pedagogic Master if they are not able to prove sufficient knowledge of the teaching language (French) ;
- your exchange application will be sent to the right department for selection. If there’s more than one teacher in the specialty you are applying please specify in EASY the professor you would like to study with, in order or preference ;

Learning Agreement for Traineeships and “Young Graduate” programs at CrLg needs a concrete and exhaustive project design content by the student in relation with the institution, the internship mentor and the International office.

Please find our study programme and professors list in English:

- [Bachelor study programme](#)
- [Master study programme](#)
- [Professors at CrLg](#)

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

For the online EASY application, you will be required to upload:

- ✓ Study Plan (Learning Agreement - EASY digital form)
- ✓ Motivation Letter (in English or French)
- ✓ Curriculum Vitae (in English or French)
- ✓ Transcript of Records from your home institution
- ✓ Certificate of knowledge of French language (B1) **OR** commitment letter to attend French lessons during the Erasmus+ stay free of charge
- ✓ Media file(s): active web link(s) to an online platform (YouTube, Vimeo, etc.) where the media file(s) can be played:
 - Composition candidates should upload scores of at least three (preferably four) of their own compositions, together with audio recordings of the works.
 - Instrument player candidates should upload video recording between 15min to 20min, preferably 3 different style pieces.

DEADLINES

Check if the semester dates of your home university and [those of the CrLg](#) (SM1 Sept-Feb and SM2 Feb-June) are compatible. If in doubt, check with your home institution. The CrLg encourages students to apply for a mobility preferably during Semester 1 or for a full academic year.

The official deadline for the applications is:

- Applications for the whole academic year and fall semester: from 1st February until 1st May 2021
- Applications for the spring semester: from 1st February until 1st October 2021

However, special exceptions might take place.

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

The official instruction language of the “Conservatoire royal the Liège” is French. However, some teachers might use another language (English, Dutch or German) for one-to-one courses and courses taught in small groups like instrument or chamber music.

As Erasmus+ student the attending of the French course is mandatory. The lessons are provided by the “ULG -Université de Liège” free of charge and receiving 5 ECTS by semester automatically add it to your Learning Agreement, if you pass the evaluations successfully.

The French lessons are organized by semester:

- from September 2021 to February 2022 ;
- from February to June 2022.

The “ULG- Université de Liège” organize a preparatory training on French insertion during the first weeks of September and before the academic start of the CrLg. The course is not free of charge (on 2019 it cost



100€) and not mandatory, but recommended. If you are interested we encourage you to contact your international relations department from your home institution to apply for a scholarship on language insertion.

Please, be aware that French is the official language of our region called “Wallonie”. It is very important to improve your knowledge in order to be properly integrate in the school and in the culture. We encourage you to prepare your French skills before coming to Liège.

HEALTH INSURANCE AND VISA

Incoming students may not reside in Belgium – even temporarily – unless they are properly insured against the costs of medical treatment and can provide their student visa. Students must make sure that they have adequate health cover and visa. Incoming students who are privately insured in their own country should bring with them a statement (in English or French) describing their health insurance.

1. Students from countries of the European Union (EU):

- You can obtain a [European health insurance card \(EHIC\)](#) from the relevant health authority in your home country. With the EHIC, it depends on how students are insured in their home country, how much for certain treatments, and for how long coverage is provided abroad. If a medical treatment is not covered through the EHIC and there is no additional insurance that would pay for the costs, students will have to pay for it themselves. Depending on the treatment or situation, this could possibly result in high medical bills! In addition, coverage of the deductible excess is not included. If students do not have dental coverage through their EHIC, they have to pay for dental treatment themselves. Obviously, the EHIC does not provide coverage for liability, accidents, legal assistance, repatriation, household effects, and travel.
- Incoming students from one of the 27 countries of the EU and with European Nationality usually doesn't need visa.

2. Students originating from non-EU countries:

- You will need confirmation of health insurance in your home country.
- If the health insurance provider decides that your insurance cover is not adequate, you will need a Belgium health insurance cover.
- Incoming students from non-European countries or with non-European nationality must take care of their visa and permission to travel and live in Belgium before arrival.

Please, contact your international relations office if you have more questions regarding this matter.

WELCOME TO LIÈGE “*la cité ardente*”

As the most important touristic city in Wallonia, Liège hides many beauties and treasures awaiting to be discovered! The characteristic districts, the river Meuse, which transects from South to North, the abrupt and wooded hills surrounding the city as well as its marked relief, providing a multitude of original perspectives, give the city an exceptional charm.



The traditional folklore is kept alive by a positive-minded population. A lot of typical pubs and a large number of restaurants contribute to make Liège an essential part of any trip to Belgium, not to mention its vigorous cultural and artistic life and a considerable architectural heritage.

YOU MUST KNOW

- ✚ Liège is also a university town, with more than 30.000 students ;
- ✚ Liège has its own [Philharmonic Orchestra](#) and is the home place of the [Wallonie Opera](#) ;
- ✚ for public transport, check the website here : <https://www.letec.be/#/> ;
- ✚ for the Belgium rail network, check the website here : <https://www.belgiantrain.be/en/travel-info/prepare-for-your-journey/leaflets/global-map-train-belgium> ;
- ✚ if you want to practice any sport with the university (please, inscribe yourself as “Etudiant autre université”) : <http://www.rcae.ulg.ac.be/index.htm>

ACCOMODATION

The “Conservatoire royal de Liège” does not provide accommodation for incoming students and they should provide for their own maintenance and accommodation. Students are advised to start looking from as early as June or July, if possible.

However, the International Relations Coordinator might help you to find your accommodation in Liège. There are many different accommodation options depending of your wishes and budget.

Student Residence:

- [Avroy Student House Liège](#)
- [Meuse Campus Liège](#) (possible costs reduction for CrLg students taking the “Twin” room)

We recommend this two as the closest ones to the school but you can find more student residences in Liège.

The student’s accommodations comprising a room and shared common spaces are called in Belgium as “Kot”. Here you will find different networks where to find shared apartment, studios or “kot”:

- [Kot à Liège](#)
- [Student.be](#)
- [LIEGE A LOUER - bouche à oreille \(fb group\)](#)
- [Erasmusu](#)
- [Immoweb](#)

We recommend this tools in order to find accommodation in Liège but you can find many other options.

Advice! Our outgoing students will leave their accommodation and perhaps they might rent it to you or even exchange it in case they are going to your home institution as Erasmus+ students. Ask our International Relations Coordinator to discover more information about the outgoing students from Liège.

Another useful way to look for accommodation is advertising. In the CrLg, advertising boards are available for that purpose or even the student’s fb group. Students who are already accepted as a student at the CrLg can send an accommodation advertisement to the conservatoire before their arrival to Liège, to be put on one of the advertisement boards.



You are welcome to contact the secret Facebook group of the CrLg students in order to ask for advice or even introduce yourself - [Conservatoire Royal De Liège \(élèves\)](#). You can contact our student council as well (conseil.etudiants@crlg.be)

Please note: in order to avoid unnecessary disappointments, students are advised to take care in choosing their accommodation and to check the technical state of the accommodation, plus the tenancy contract, before making a final decision.

Students should also check that it will be possible for them to register their new address with the municipality, as this is required for all citizens who intend to stay longer than three months in Belgium.

For more informations about the “Conservatoire royal de Liège” and the Erasmus+ programme please check [“Guide de l’étudiant 2020-2021”](#) and [Erasmus+ FAQ](#).

QUESTIONS?

1. [Association Européen des Conservatoires, Académies de Musique et Musikhochschulen](#)
2. [Erasmus Student Network - ESN](#)
3. [Erasmus Student Network – ESN Liège](#)
4. [European Commission](#)

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Pourquoi ça s'appelle programme Erasmus ?

Le nom du programme vient du moine humaniste et théologien néerlandais Érasme (1466-1536). Ce dernier a voyagé durant de nombreuses années à travers l'Europe pour s'enrichir des différentes cultures et développer son humanisme.

“Erasmus is one of those adventures which can't be forgotten - we don't feel the same when we come back.”

