## **Tuition Fees 2024-2025**

A. Regular Tuition Fees (1)	Registration (3)	Course (3)	Exams (3)	Other (6)	in €
	, ,		, ,	, ,	Total
1. 1st AND 2nd CYCLES					
Main Registration					
1.1. Excluding special cases mentioned in 1.2					
'Normal' Fees	12	769	34	20	835
Low Income	0	350	24	0	374
Grant holders (7)	0	0	0	0	0
1.2. AESS, CAPAES (4)					
'Normal' Fees	12	213	34	20	279
Low Income	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Grant holders (7)	0	0	0	0	0
Complementary Registration (2)					
'Normal' Fees	0	213	34	0	247
Low Income	0	213	24	0	237
Grant holders (7)	0	0	0	0	0
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normal fees listed in point 1.1.).  'Normal' fees (tuition fees on credit)	NA	NA	NA	NA	13.92
Low income (tuition fees on credit)	NA	NA	NA	NA	6.23
Grant holders (7)	0	0	0	0	0
AESS (tuition fees on credit)	NA	NA	NA	NA	9.03
Higher registration fees on credit (8) (ARES circular 001-2021)	NA	NA	NA	NA	69.58
Higher registration fees on credit (8) ( ARES circular 2022-002)	NA	NA	NA	NA	41.75
2. 3rd CYCLE: PhD and doctoral training					
Initial registration					
	See point 1.1	below			
Subsequent years	•				
'Normal' Fees					
3. OTHER EXAMS	12	0	0	20	32
	12	0	0	20	32
Board of the French Community	12	0	0	20	32
Board of the French Community French Language Proficiency Test (5)	12	0	0	20	
,	12	0	0	20	384

These amounts are provided for information purposes and are subject to change after student registration

#### COMMENTS REGARDING THE TABLE FROM POINT A

(1) The amounts in the table concern only duly registered students (the amounts for auditing students and students on single module courses are not included here: for single module courses, it is the institutions that determine the amount of tuition fees due).

Moreover, the amounts shown do not include any increased fees that may be collected for certain categories of non-subsidised students except for the reductions listed in point 1.

- (2) When a student is registered on several courses during the same academic year, one of the registrations is considered as primary, while the others are considered as secondary (registrations referred to as being "additional tests" in Article 39 of the law of 27/7/1971). The tuition fees for these so-called "additional" registrations are added to those for the primary registration.
- (3) These amounts are fixed by law.
- (4) The provisions of Article 39 paragraph 2 of the law of 27/7/1971, fixing the fees for the AESS and CAPAES, were extended (by article 26 of the decree voted on 16/12/2009 in the Parliament of the French Community) for students who register for "another focus of the same Master's". This new provision aims to respond to the difficulties encountered because of the difference in the price of the AESS and a teaching-focused Master's for graduates of a 120-credit Master's degree of another focus of the same curriculum.
- (5) Under the joint decision adopted by the rectors at the meetings of CRef on 7<sup>th</sup> February and 5<sup>th</sup> May 2006.
- (6) Annual limit. This amount cannot be claimed from grant holders, scholarship students or from those with a low income.
- (7) This applies to any grant holder or scholarship student (SAE and DGCD) who is eligible under this or any other registration.
- (8) ARES circulars on increased fees https://www.ares-ac.be/fr/a-propos/instances/conseil-d-administration/circulaires

## Increased Fees for unassimilated non-EU students <sup>1</sup>

## 1. ARES Circulaire 001-2021 of 14th December 2021

This circular applies to students already registered on a study programme between 2014 and 2022 included, provided they are on the corresponding cycle and meet the conditions set out in the circular concerned.

However, in the case of an interruption of at least one academic year, <u>circular 2024-001</u> is to be applied (see point 3).

Students who are nationals of a country not included in the following lists of 46 "LDC" countries and 12 "HDI-UNDP" countries and who are registered on a first or second cycle study programme.

Unassimilated non-EU students:	3rd Cycle <1>	Advanced Master's degree <2>	Bachelor's and Master's degree
Students from developing co (LCD) + 12 countries	835€	835 €	835€
Other Non-EU students	835 €	4175€	4175 €

<sup>&</sup>lt;1> PhD, doctoral training

Non-EU students who, for the registration deadline, set in accordance with article 101, paragraph 1, of the Decree of 7<sup>th</sup> November 2013 cited above, satisfy at least one of the following conditions, are exempt from paying increased tuition fees. Students are exempt if they:

- have a school leaving certificate (CESS or equivalent) awarded by a secondary school or a continuing education institution of the French Community after at least two years of study in an institution of the Wallonia-Brussels Federation
- receive a grant from Wallonie-Bruxelles International.

Students who obtain 75% of the credits of their PAE at the end of the previous academic year will receive an exemption for the following years.

Students whose country is listed below are exempt from the higher fees but must pay the standard registration fees specified in point A.

<sup>&</sup>lt;2> Irrespective of the funding source

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These amounts are subject to changes in current higher education legislation. They may vary considerably from one year to the next.

## **List of 46 Least Developed Countries (LDCs)**

46 countries are currently designated by the United Nations as "Least Developed Countries (LDCs)":

1.	Afghanistan	24. Mali
2.	Angola	25. Mauritania
3.	Bangladesh	26. Mozambique
4.	Benin	27. Nepal
5.	Bhutan	28. Niger
6.	Myanmar	29. Uganda
7.	Burkina Faso	30. Central African Republic
8.	Burundi	31. Democratic Republic of Congo
9.	Cambodia	32. Rwanda
10.	Comoros	33. Salomon
11.	Djibouti	34. São Tomé and Príncipe
12.	Eritrea	35. Senegal
13.	Ethiopia	36. Sierra Leone
14.	Gambia	37. Somalia
15.	Guinea	38. Sudan
16.	Guinea-Bissau	39. South Sudan
17.	Haiti	40. Tanzania
18.	Kiribati	41. Chad
19.	Laos	42. East Timor
20.	Lesotho	43. Togo
21.	Liberia	44. Tuvalu
22.	Madagascar	45. Yemen
23.	Malawi	46. Zambia

# <u>List of the 12 countries ranked at the bottom of the Human Development Index (HDI-UNDP), not included in the "LDC" list</u>

1.	Ivory Coast
2.	Zimbabwe
3.	Papua New Guinea
4.	Cameroon
5.	Nigeria
6.	Syria
7.	Swaziland
8.	Pakistan
9.	Kenya
10.	Ghana
11.	Republic of Congo - Brazzaville
12.	Vanuatu

2. ARES Circular 2022-002 of 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022 (revoked by Circular 2024-001 of 5<sup>th</sup> November 2024, except for transitional provisions\*)

This circular applies to students who register for the first time from 2023-2024 at a CfWB institution on a first or second cycle study programme, and for each registration on this programme, as well as to students who re-register when they change study cycle or who re-register at an FWB institution, from the 2023-2024 academic year, after having taken a break of at least one academic year.

#### \* <u>Transitional Provisions</u>:

"Students already registered on a course of study in the French Community between 2014 and 2023 included remain subject to the provisions of the ARES circular that was applicable to them at the time of their registration, for as long as they are on that course of study and provided they meet the conditions set out in the <u>circular concerned</u>".

The increased fees are due from all students who are nationals of a country that is not listed among the 46 "LDC" countries or among the 20 countries ranked at the bottom of the Human Development Index that are also not listed among the 46 "LDC" countries, and who are registered on a first or second cycle study programme.

Unassimilated non-EU students:	3rd Cycle <1>	Advanced Master's degree	Bachelor's and Master's degree
Students from developing countries (LCD) + 12 countries	835€	835 €	835 €
Other Non-EU students	835 €	2505€	2505 €

<sup>&</sup>lt;1> PhD, doctoral training

Non-EU students who, by the registration deadline fixed in accordance with Article 101, paragraph 1, of the Decree of 7<sup>th</sup> November 2013, meet at least one of the following conditions are exempt from the increased registration fees. These students must either:

- Hold a higher secondary education certificate awarded by a recognised secondary education
  or further education institution in the French Community of Belgium, after at least two years'
  study in an institution in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation;
- Be the recipient of a grant awarded by Wallonie-Bruxelles International;
- Be registered on an AESS programme;
- Be registered on a third-cycle study programme.

Students whose country is listed below are exempt from the higher fees but must pay the standard registration fees specified in point A.

<sup>&</sup>lt;2> Irrespective of the funding source

## **List of 46 Least Developed Countries (LDCs)**

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7. Burkina Faso	30. Central African Republic
8. Burundi	31. Democratic Republic of Congo
9. Cambodia	32. Rwanda
10. Comoros	33. Salomon
11. Djibouti	34. São Tomé and Príncipe
12. Eritrea	35. Senegal
13. Ethiopia	36. Sierra Leone
14. Gambia	37. Somalia
15. Guinea	38. Sudan
16. Guinea-Bissau	39. South Sudan
17. Haiti	40. Tanzania
18. Kiribati	41. Chad
19. Laos	42. East Timor
20. Lesotho	43. Togo
21. Liberia	44. Tuvalu
22. Madagascar	45. Yemen
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# <u>List of the 20 countries ranked at the bottom of the Human Development Index (HDI-UNDP), not included in the "LDC" list</u>

1. Cameroon	11. Micronesia
2. Cape Verde	12. Namibia
3. Ivory Coast	13. Nigeria
4. Ghana	14. Pakistan
5. Guatemala	15. Papua New Guinea
6. Equatorial Guinea	16. Republic of Congo - Brazzaville
7. Honduras	17. Swaziland
8. Marshall Islands	18. Syria
9. India	19. Vanuatu
10. Kenya	20. Zimbabwe

## 3. ARES Circular 2024-001 of 5th November 2024

This circular aims to integrate a new list of countries established by Circular 2024-001 (Annexe 4: List of additional countries exempt from increased or specific fees) with those already exempt under the provisions of the ARES Circular 2022-002.

It revokes the previous circulars with the exception of the transitional provisions\* and comes into force from the 2024-2025 academic year up to and including the 2026-2027 academic year, unless the ARES updates the lists in the circular's annexes.

### \* Transitional Provisions:

"Students already registered on a course of study in the French Community between 2014 and 2023 included remain subject to the provisions of the ARES circular that was applicable to them at the time of their registration, for as long as they are on that course of study and provided they meet the conditions set out in the circular concerned".

However, this applies **retroactively to all Lebanese and Palestinian students registered for the 2024-2025 academic year**, including those already registered in a previous study cycle. This retroactivity may result in refunds of tuition fees already paid.

This applies to non-EU students registering for the first time in 2024 on an undergraduate or postgraduate programme at an FWB institution, and to students re-registering by changing their course of study or re-registering at an FWB institution from the 2024-2025 academic year onwards, after a break of at least one academic year.

The increased fees are due from all students who are nationals of a country that is not listed among the 46 "LDC" countries or among the 20 countries ranked at the bottom of the Human Development Index that are also not listed among the 46 "LDC" countries, and who are registered on a first or second cycle study programme.

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Non-EU students who, by the registration deadline fixed in accordance with Article 101, paragraph 1, of the Decree of 7<sup>th</sup> November 2013, meet at least one of the following conditions are exempt from the increased registration fees. These students must either:

- Hold a higher secondary education certificate awarded by a recognised secondary education
  or further education institution in the French Community of Belgium, after at least two years'
  study in an institution in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation;
- Be the recipient of a grant awarded by Wallonie-Bruxelles International;
- Be registered on an AESS programme;
- Be registered on a third-cycle study programme.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;2> Irrespective of the funding source

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15. Guinea	38. Sudan
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16. Equatorial Guinea	24. Republic of Congo - Brazzaville
17. Honduras	25. Swaziland
18. Marshall Islands	26. Syria
19. India	27. Vanuatu
20. Kenya	28. Zimbabwe

## <u>List of additional countries exempt from increased fees</u>

1.	Lebanon
2.	Palestine