

PROFILE

Newly established on the 1st of January 2014 following the merger of three universities, the University of Bordeaux is a multi-disciplinary, research-focused, international institution.

Ranked within the top 14 universities in France for the quality of its academic courses and research, the University of Bordeaux was awarded the «Initiative of Excellence» by the French government in 2011, and was one of the first universities to obtain confirmation of this program in 2016. It welcomes more than 56,000 students, of which almost 2,000 are PhD students and 6,800 are international students. Around 5,900 staff members are employed by the University, of which 3,200 are academic and research staff.

Main programmes of study

Students may choose from a multitude of curricula that lead to national degrees. These curricula are organized around four major scientific domains:

- Science & Technology
- Law, Political Science, Economics, Management
- Life & Health Sciences
- Social & Human Sciences

A large range of qualifications are possible: 125 Bachelor (including vocational) programs, over 245 Master specialties, 115 national diplomas in health, as well as a national diploma in oenology.

The university has also developed a wide range of international study programs that are taught in English (or other languages) and that offer students the possibility of studying abroad and/or completing joint or double degrees. A leading university in France for participation in the Erasmus Mundus program, the University of Bordeaux offers 18 EU-labeled study programs of excellence.

Research

Research is organized around three departments: Science and Technology / Life and Health Sciences / Social Sciences and Humanities. These departments group together 70 research laboratories that are under joint supervision with national research organizations.

A Graduate Research School coordinates the entire field of doctoral studies in collaboration with the eight doctoral schools that ensure support and guidance for PhD students. Three Graduate Research Programs have been launched within the domains of neuroscience, digital public health and light sciences and technologies.

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IDENTITY FORM

Precise name of the institution →	Université de Bordeaux
Type of institution →	Public
City where the main campus is located →	Bordeaux
Number of students →	56 000
Percentage or number of international students →	12%
Type and level of qualifications awarded →	BMD, University certificate
French language courses →	Yes
Programs for international students →	Yes
Programs in English →	Yes
Registration fees / year (for information only) →	National fees. May vary according to the program.
Postal address →	351, cours de la Libération - 33 405 Talence cedex



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Strengths

- Rankings: the University of Bordeaux is ranked n°56 in the Times Higher Education Young University Ranking (2018), n°30 in Reuters Europe's Top 100 Innovative Universities (2018) and 201-300 within the Shanghai General Ranking (2018).
- Clusters of excellence: one of the main priorities of the University of Bordeaux is to promote the development of thematic clusters of excellence for research, training and knowledge transfer in the following fields: environmental sciences, neuroscience, advanced materials, archaeology, optics & lasers, computer sciences, translational research and advanced imaging, public health & cardiology.
- Industrial partnerships with the various local economic sectors: aeronautics, space, chemistry, health, IT, optic/laser, forestry, wine.

Location

The University of Bordeaux has one of the largest campuses (187 hectares) in Europe. It is composed of several sites that are located near to the city and that offer a broad range of services and amenities. 135 student associations exist and participate in the organization of a wide range of cultural activities throughout the academic year: workshops, film debates, science cafés, lectures, exhibitions, concerts, shows, etc. A campus of excellence for sports as well, since 2010 Bordeaux is the n°1 French university for sports, ranking n°5 within Europe.

The city of Bordeaux is also renowned for many good things: listed as part of the UNESCO World Heritage list, described as «an outstanding urban and architectural ensemble», classified as «City of Art and History» and last but not least, the wine capital of the world!

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