

VRIJE UNIVERSITEIT BRUSSEL



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London: 2 hrs
Amsterdam: 2 hrs
Paris: 1 hr 20
Frankfurt: 3 hrs

Brussels, heart of Europe

- 1,1 million inhabitants
- Largest student city in Belgium with 90,000 students
- 104 different languages
- 33% inhabitants of foreign origin
- EU/NATO headquarters
- World's largest press corps
- Largest diplomatic community
- **Centre of Scientific Excellence**





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UNIVERSITEIT
BRUSSEL

BRUSSELS EASY ACCESSIBLE



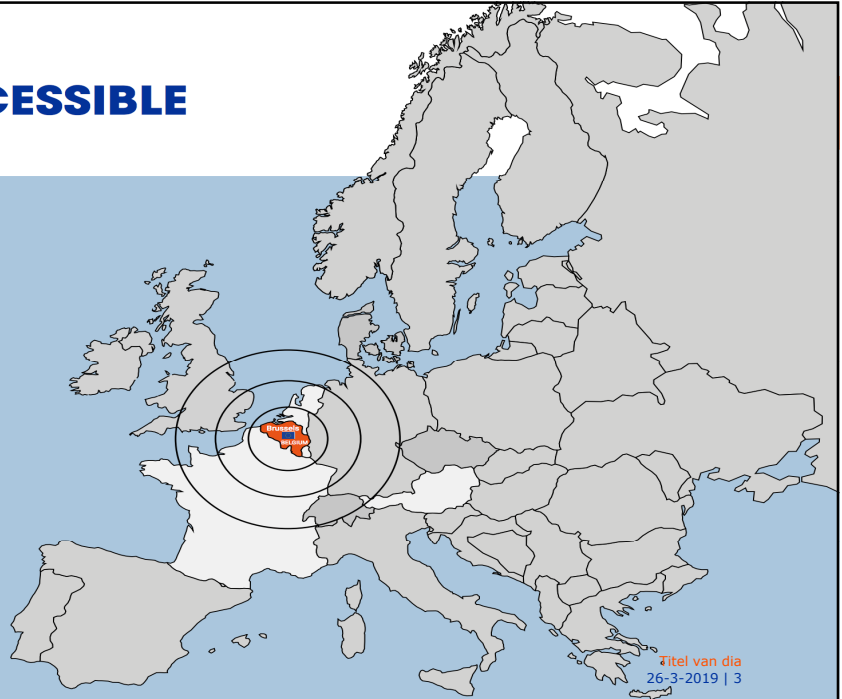
FROM BRUSSELS TO

London	2 hours
Paris	1 hour 20 min.
Frankfurt	3 hours
Amsterdam	2 hours



ETERBEEK ↔ ZAVENTEM AIRPORT

25 minutes
2 trains/hour



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BRUSSELS BEATING HEART OF EUROPE



World's largest press centre



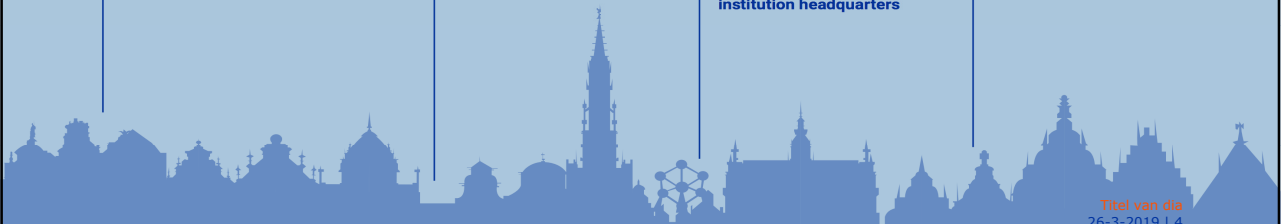
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- 4th business city in Europe
- 1700 international institution headquarters



- International decision center
- EU & NATO headquarters
- 1st congress city in Europe
- Largest diplomats community



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MAIN CAMPUS NEAR ULB

MEDICAL CAMPUS @UZ BRUSSEL

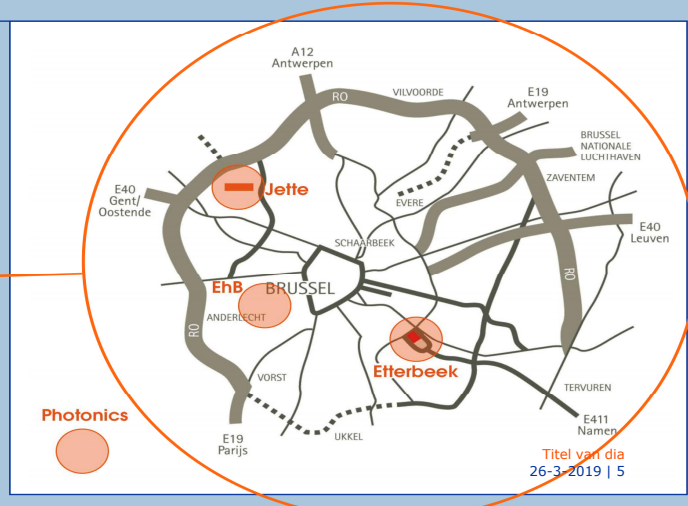
CONNECTED KNOWLEDGE CENTERS

- Welcoming policy for international students
- Individual and group study coaching

BRUSSELS IN THE CITY CAMPUS

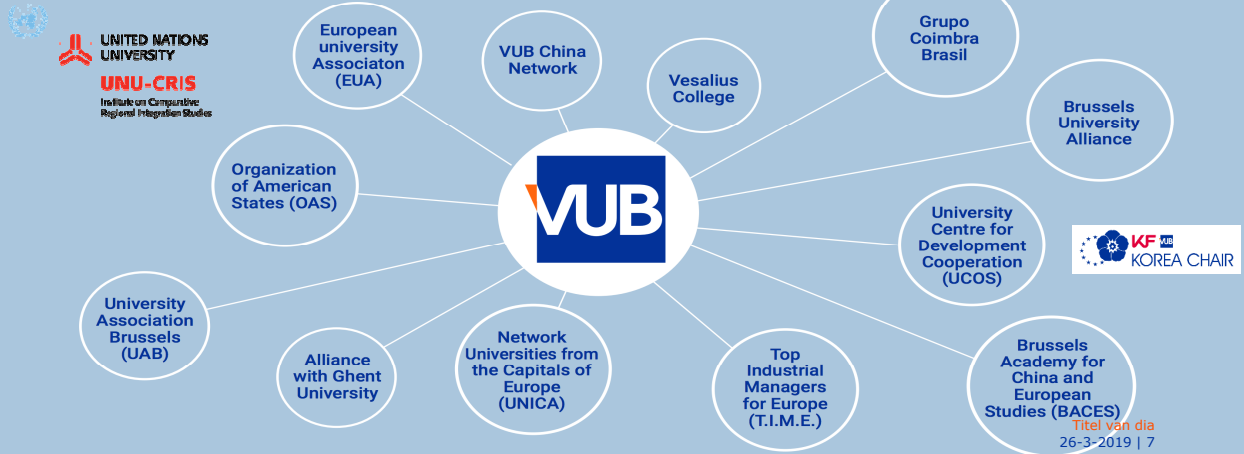


- *2017-2018
- City becomes teaching aula
- Connecting students
Brussels & the world of work



NETWORK

497 agreements with 245 partner universities for student exchange and other scholarship programmes.



RANKINGS



45th in **QS CITIES**

182 in **QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS**
77 places higher than in 2005

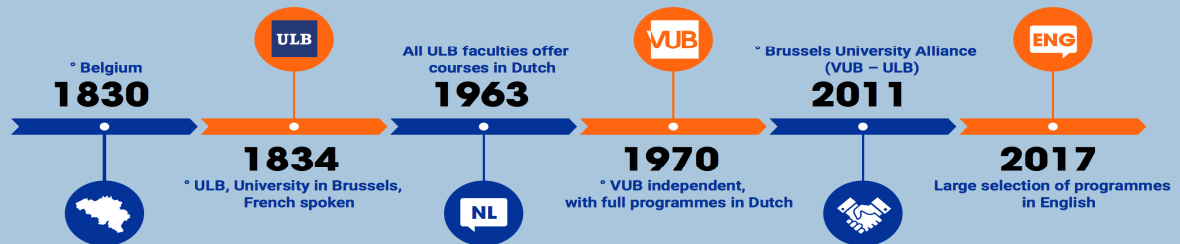
VUB belongs to the 19% best universities worldwide

201-300 of 500 in **ACADEMIC RANKING OF WORLD UNIVERSITIES**

301-350 of 981 in **THE WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKING**

#48 in **TOP 100**
THE WORLD'S MOST INNOVATIVE UNIVERSITIES
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HISTORY



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The VUB today...



5 Campuses:

- Brussels Humanities, Sciences & Engineering Campus – Etterbeek
- Brussels Health Campus – Jette
- Brussels Technology Campus – Anderlecht
- Brussels Photonics Campus – Gooik
- Bruges United Nations University - CRIS

CAMPUSES

169.209m² surface
(Etterbeek and Jette) or more than 26 soccer fields



Brussels Humanities,
Sciences & Engineering Campus
Main campus Etterbeek (Elsene)



Brussels Health Campus
Jette



Brussels Technology Campus
Anderlecht



Brussels Photonics Campus
Gooik



VUB 2020 FUTURE INVESTMENTS IN ETTERBEEK

• 33.100m² new XY building

650 student rooms

• VUB-ULB ICT Science & Technology Park



new auditoria &
classrooms



event
hall



art & expo
room



KulturKaffee

• Learning & Innovation Center

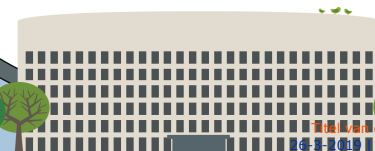
• Swimming pool

• International Student Site (barracks)

150 extra student rooms



study & recreation facilities

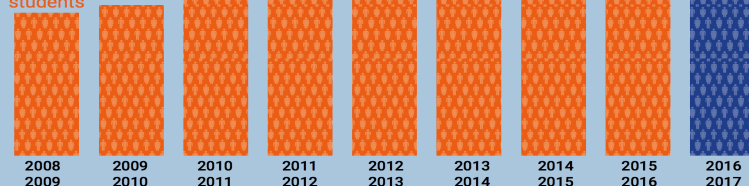


Brussels
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STUDENTS 2016 - 2017

10% FIRST-TIME
UNIVERSITY STUDENTS
1.602

9.687
students



+6.3%

15.865
students*



ALUMINI
+50.000

54%
Women



46%
Men

* 145 STUDY PROGRAMMES

46 ENGLISH, 99 DUTCH

STUDENTS IN STUDY PROGRAMMES

Bachelors	6.762
Masters	5.550
Advanced Masters	713
PhD	1.448
Postgraduates	95
Teacher Training	112
Other (credit students, Erasmus students...)	1.185
TOTAL	26-3-2019 15.865

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

128 NATIONALITIES

3.411 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

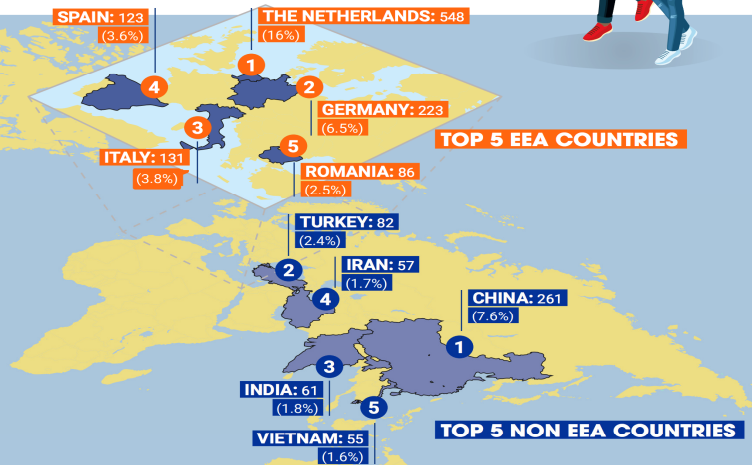
EEA countries: 1.744 52%
Non EEA countries: 1.637 48%

55% ♂
45% ♀

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS IN STUDY PROGRAMMES

Bachelors: 831	24.4%
Masters: 1.306	38.3%
Advanced Masters: 159	4.7%
PhD: 649	19%
Other: 466	13.7%

★ EEA: European Economic Area

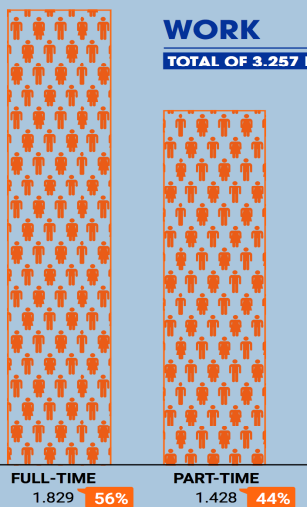


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VUB STAFF

WORK

TOTAL OF 3.257 EMPLOYEES

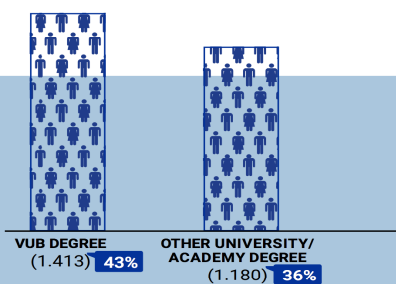


VUB/UZ Brussel
biggest Dutch-speaking employer in Brussels

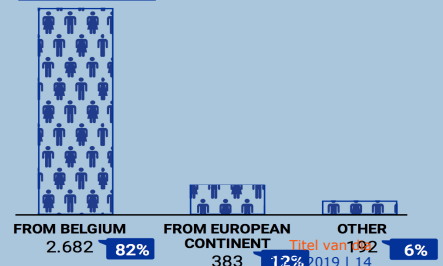
36%
Female

64%
Male

DEGREE



NATIONALITY



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€94.173.960

Total research budget

166

Research groups

21%

revenue from cooperation
with private sector

15%

own research budget

19%

budget Flemish
government for
fundamental research

45%
project financing by governments

Wtinschp Science outreach 2016

- Science outreach 2016 Wtinschp
- 9543 people reached
- 229.732 online visitors
- Wetenschapswinkel
- Scientists/students help > 500 non-profit organisations
- 2017: 200th wetenschapswinkel master's thesis



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RESEARCH CLUSTERS



city dynamics



societal challenges



brain & behaviour



the circle of life



smart engineering



smallest particles



fighting diseases



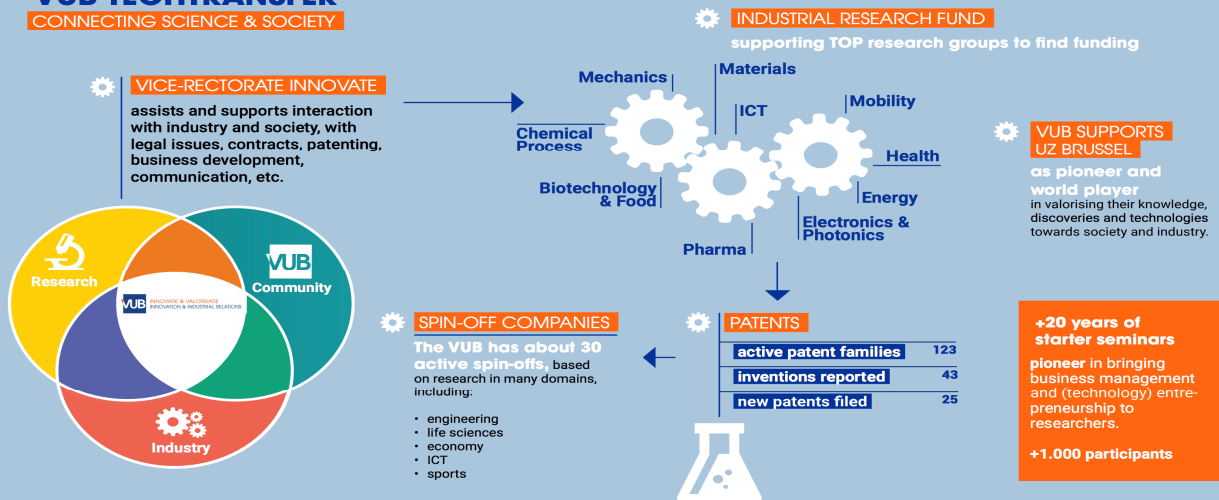
environmental issues



big data

VUB TECHTRANSFER

CONNECTING SCIENCE & SOCIETY



VUB Comprehensive

232 M Euro operating budget

4 campuses, 8 faculties, 1 university hospital

English and Dutch taught programmes

2 Fields Medals

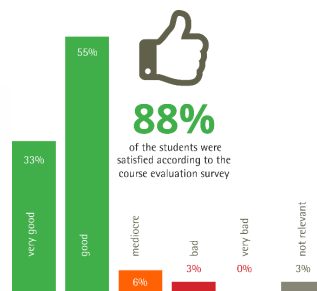
3 Nobel Prize Winners (<1969 ULB-VUB)

14,200 students of which more than 15% PhD-students

6500 employees (incl. UZ hospital), largest Dutch employer in Brussels

158 research groups, 21 active spin-offs companies

Student's opinion



Students' motivation to come to VUB:

- curriculum
- location
- tuition

8 Faculties

- Economic and Social Sciences and Solvay Business School
- Law and Criminology
- Psychology and Educational Sciences
- Arts and Philosophy
- Science and Bio-engineering Sciences
- Medicine and Pharmacy
- Engineering
- Physical Education and Physiotherapy
- Institute for European Studies

Study programmes at the VUB

157 Programmes:

- 2 English-taught [Bachelor](#) in Social Sciences
- 33 English-taught [Master](#) & [Advanced Master](#) programmes
- 8 English-taught [Postgraduate Certificate](#) programmes
- 3 Multidisciplinary [Doctoral](#) Schools
- Double degree programmes in engineering, sciences, law;



Fields of English-taught programmes

Interdisciplinary Bachelor in 3 majors

- Political sciences
- Sociology
- Communication studies

Master degree & Advanced Master

- Humanities: Business, Communication, Law, Politics & Economics, Education, Linguistics, European Studies
- Engineering & Exact Sciences
- Life Sciences, Biology

PhD degree

- Offered in more than 30 disciplines



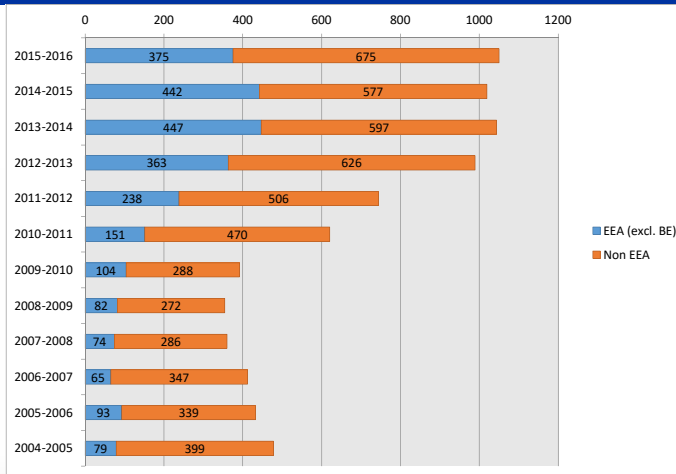
Postgraduates Certificate

- Medicine
- Art, Education, Business, China studies

Fields of English taught programmes 全英文授课本科、硕士专业

学位 Degree	学科领域 Fields	专业类别 Majors			
本科 Bachelor	社会学 Social Sciences	政治 Politics 社会学 Sociology 传媒学 Communication			
硕士 Master	人文学 Humanities	管理学 Management 传媒学 Communication 语言与文学 Linguistics & Literary Studies *欧洲一体化 European Integration		商务与科技 Business & Technology 教育学 Educational Sciences *美国研究 American Studies *国际与欧洲法 International & European Law	
	工程 Engineering	计算机 Computer 土木 Civil 生物医药工程 Biomedical 水资源 Water Resources		电子 Electrical 建筑 Architectural 核工程 Nuclear 土地资源 Physical Land Resources 电光 Photonics 电子机械 Electromechanical 化工材料 Chemical & Materials	
	理学与医学 Sciences & Medical Sciences	计算机科学 Computer Science 分子生物 Molecular Biology 化学 Chemistry 海洋与湖泊学 Oceans & Lakes 城市研究 Urban Studies 老年学 Gerontological Sciences		生物学 Biology 生物分子学 Biomolecular Sciences 物理与天文学 Physics & Astronomy 地理 Geography 灾难医学 Disaster Medicine	
博士 PhD	所有学科 All disciplines (more than 30)				
<div>English requirement 英语要求:</div> <div><div>- 大部分专业要求雅思最低 6, 或者托福最低 73;</div><div>- 文科类专业 雅思最低 6.5, 或者托福 80</div><div>- *特殊专业英语要求: 欧洲一体化专业和国际与欧洲法专业要求雅思最低 7, 或者托福最低 90</div></div>					

GROWTH IN INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



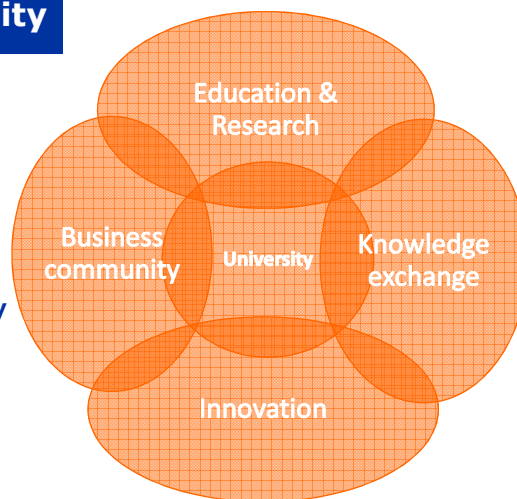
The University's changing responsibility

Prepare for new career paths:

- Longer careers beyond 60 years
- More frequent job changes
- Shorter economic cycles (decade)
- Competition of talent

Need for lifelong skills-oriented learning rather than early qualifications-focused education. Our graduates must:

- Contribute to social cohesion
- Improve productivity and growth
- Keep high employment levels
- Enhance economic prosperity



INTERNATIONALISATION IS A STRATEGIC PRIORITY

Research and Education - China & EU related



Confucius Institute at VUB

Focus on:

- academic research on contemporary China and China-EU
- Chinese language teaching at the academic and professional level
- the interplay between European and Chinese culture
- the involvement of all stakeholders within the partner universities



Signing ceremony for establishing the Confucius Institute at VUB, 29 June 2015, Brussels

Official launch took place on 18 May 2016



VUB – China Day
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VUB China Alumni



The first VUB alumni event at the Belgian Embassy in Beijing, March 2015

VUB China Alumni

微信订阅号: VUB 校友会
WeChat public account QR code



2nd VUB alumni event at the Belgian Embassy in Beijing, Oct 2016



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Famous Chinese alumni

童第周 — 中国“克隆之父”

(1902年5月28日－1979年3月30日)

TONG Dizhou

Chinese embryologist and developmental biologist.

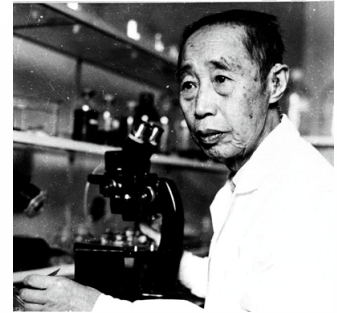
TONG Dizhou graduated from Fudan University (Shanghai) in 1927 with a degree in psychology and obtained a PhD degree in 1934 from Free University of Brussels.



童第周



性别 男
 出生 1902年5月28日
 出生地 大清浙江省鄞县 (今属宁波鄞州)
 逝世 1979年3月30日 (76歲)
 逝世地 中国北京市
 国籍 中华人民共和国
 教育程度 复旦大学
 布鲁塞尔自由大学
 职业 胚胎學家



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Rectorate (2016-2020)



Rector
Caroline
Pauwels

Jan Danckaert



Karen Vanderkerken



Hugo Thienpont



Sonja Snacken

Academic advisory Councils

- decision making delegations,
- policy renewal
- quality control
- chaired by a Vicerector

Administrations

- long term memory,
- technical competence
- operational policy & efficiency



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