



Celebrating the 600th anniversary of KU Leuven: engaging alumni

KU Leuven in numbers



STAFF

13,699

(KU LEUVEN)



RESEARCHERS

8,268



STUDENTS

63,774

INTERNATIONAL
STUDENTS

15,179



ALUMNI

+300,000



² **LUCA**
SCHOOL OF ARTS

³ **ordina**

⁴ **THOMAS MORE**

⁵ **UC Leuven Limburg**

⁶ **vives**



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KU Leuven Alumni

> **300 000** alumni

> **34 000** international alumni

> **15 000** former exchange students

188 different nationalities

16

international alumni chapters

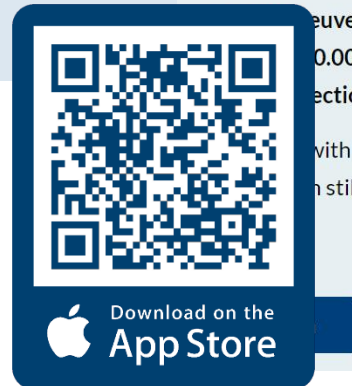
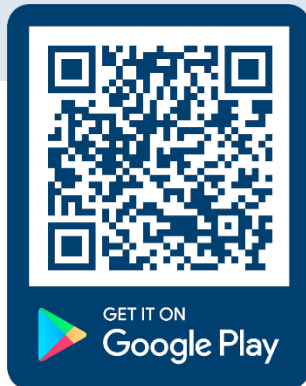
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KU Leuven Connect

One community. Endless connections.

As a KU Leuven graduate, you're part of a global network of 300,000 alumni. Log in to rediscover old friends or make new connections.

With her 15 faculties and dozens of alumni associations, KU Leuven still has a lot to offer to her alumni.



2025: the 600th anniversary of KU Leuven



The year 2025 will be one big celebration



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2025: what is planned for alumni: in Belgium & abroad

February 2025:
Homecoming weekend
for international alumni

October 2025:
24 hour run,
also for alumni

May 2025: carillon cantus
for 4000 alumni

& inviting alumni to events
organized at the level of the
university

International Alumni Chapters are planning events for alumni in their respective countries to celebrate the 600th anniversary of KU Leuven

Partners

- Faculties & alumni associations of the faculties
- Corporate Communication & Conference Offices KU Leuven
- Student Unions and Associations (LOKO)
- The city of Leuven



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Homecoming voor international alumni on February 14-18, 2025



Objective: National alumni living abroad, International alumni and former exchange students return to their Belgian Alma Mater and gather to celebrate her 600th anniversary.

Timing: The INSIDE weekend **15-16 February 2025** – the opening weekend to kick off the celebratory year.

Logistics/external partners: Accommodation via travel agency for visiting alumni who need hotel rooms. Excursions for those who would like to visit satellite campuses.

Possibilities for faculties/campuses:

Faculties: host alumni on campus as an add-on to the general program, reunions

Satellite campuses: host alumni on campus during the optional excursions

The Homecoming weekend

Opportunity to (re)connect, share memories and network



14.02.25: Welcome back to Leuven!



15-16.02 2025: Opening Weekend of KU Leuven Inside



17.02.25: optional excursions to four satellite campuses



Evening: welcome drinks and a jazz concert for visiting international alumni

Faculties, research groups, labs and libraries open the doors for a unique look behind the scenes. Hubs at 3 major locations in Leuven to welcome alumni. Alumni reunions at faculties.

To choose from: Antwerp, Brussels, Bruges or Gent. The Alumni Office staff will join



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15 & 16 February 2025: alumni hubs



Who? Alumni Office employees staff alumni booths at three major KU Leuven locations in Leuven to extend a warm welcome to all alumni (=welcome back home), to network and to inform alumni about the activities they can join

Partners: Corporate Communication & Conference Offices of KU Leuven. Alumni Ambassadors are invited.

Planned activities (a glimpse):

- ‘ice-breakers’: mini-quiz (questions about the university), ...
- fostering a sense of (worldwide) community: pin the country you live on on the map, more information about Alumni Chapters for international alumni, activate your account on KU Leuven Connect to keep in touch
- Photo booths for alumni
- Hub at the University Hall: ‘een kot’ (a student room replica)...



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Situation up to date

- Accommodation options are secured for those who want to book accommodations via our partner travel agency
- The excursions' programs are ready. Satellite campuses in Antwerp, Brussels, Bruges and Ghent will welcome visiting alumni
- The invites are sent and the registration via KU Leuven Connect is open
- The concept of the hubs is being finalized, the preparations are in full swing

Sharing best practices?



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