

# Presentation language

# Belgian students

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# Which foreign language do we study?

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The main language of our education is Dutch, but the scientific research we read is mostly in English. Furthermore, much of the anatomy terminology is in Latin.

# Can you choose the language you study?

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No, we live in the Northern part of Belgium, where Dutch is the official language. Therefore, our education is given in Dutch. However, we are given the opportunity to follow one or two courses in a foreign language in the third year.

In Brussels, both Dutch and French are official languages, as a consequence in our capital we can choose the language.

# At what age do you start to learn foreign language?

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Overall, at the age of 10-11 years we start learning French. From the age of 12 English lessons are compulsory. At 14 other languages (German, Spanish) are optional. Regional differences are possible.

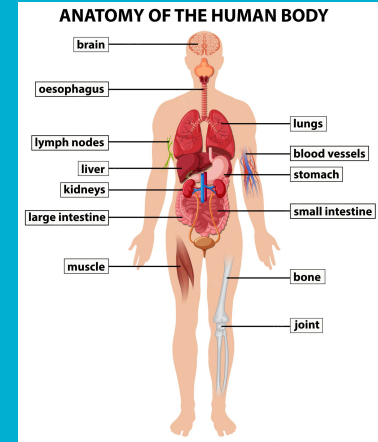
# How many lessons of foreign language do you have a week?

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Currently none. However, during our courses, the use of English and Latin terminology is not unusual.

# Do you have medical topics in foreign language?

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During our courses, the use of English and Latin terminology is common. In preparation for international internship, foreign language courses are provided.

# Do you have a safety at work course in foreign language?

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Yes, for example, refresh courses about First Aid are given in English. Many of the equipment we use in our hospitals are in English as well (AED).

However, courses at work about other topics like wound care traditionally are given in Dutch.

# Do you have a first aid course in foreign language?

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Yes, partly in English.





# Do you have any notions about elderly/ children nutrition and wellness in foreign language?

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Yes we do.



# Do you have any notions about the elderly / children diseases and their treatments in foreign language?

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Since terminology is often internationally used, the English terms are known to us. No specific courses are provided, but English is often used during pathology courses.

# Do you have any notions about the mandatory schedule of vaccination in foreign language?

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If the mandatory schedule is provided, we understand what is meant.

# Can you give/ask any information to foreign patients about rehabilitation therapies in English?

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Yes, we might be able to give a brief explanation.

# Do you have any foreign language skills related to clowntherapy , musictherapy and pet-therapy?



No. We don't have these therapy in our education. But we have notions about the therapy and terminology thanks to our internship.

# Can you list any English words about eating disorders and addictions?

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Yes, because the English terminology is relatively known thanks to education, movies etc.

This terminology is often used when you specialize in mental health care.

# Is foreign language a part of the final exam?

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No, a nation wide exam doesn't exist in Belgium. We do language exams in secondary school before starting a nursing course.

# Which level of foreign language do you achieve during your education?

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Basic knowledge built up during our education in secondary school. And the use of foreign terminology in courses.



# Can you name the main parts of the human body in English ?

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Yes. When we study human anatomy we use Latin/English terminology.

# Have you got the specific lexicon for a job interview in English?

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Varies from person to person. This is included in our regular courses but only in Dutch.

# Can you fill an application in English?

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Varies from person to person.

# Can you write down a CV in English?

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Yes, but sometimes it's nice to use translation software