

# PRESENTATION UNIVERSITÉ DE NANTES

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# Université de Nantes : A leading higher education & research center in Western France

- In the last 50 years, the University has become a major higher education and interdisciplinary research center.
- We are one of the leading institutions of the regional COMUE project « Université Bretagne Loire ».
- Our core values: dynamism, creativity and solidarity.

**38 000 students** (initial education)

**3800-4000 international students** (exchange and degree-seeking)

**64 Research Units**

**3 754 staff members :**

- **2 118** assistant, associate and full professors and researchers.

- **1 636** administrative and technical staff

**500** staff members in research centers

**Budget : 325 millions €**

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# 20 Faculties, Institutes and Schools

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- 11 UFR (Faculties)
- 6 Institutes
- 2 Schools (School of Engineering-Polytech and School of Teacher Education)
- 1 Sciences of the Universe Observatory



# Our Faculties, Institutes and Schools

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- Faculty of Law and Political Science
- Faculty of Psychology
- Faculty of Sociology
- Faculty of History, Art History and Archeology
- Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences:
  - Department of Modern French Literature / Department of Old French Literature
  - Department of Philosophy
  - Department of Education Sciences
  - Department of Information and Communication Studies
  - Department of Language Sciences
- Faculty of Foreign Languages and Cultures
- Faculty of Sciences and Techniques
- Faculty of Sport Sciences
- Faculty of Medicine
- Faculty of Pharmacy
- Faculty of Dentistry
- Institute of Geography and Regional Planning
- Institute of Teacher Education
- Institute of Economics, Management and Business Administration
- 3 Institutes of Technology
- Institute of Public Administration
- Engineering School - Polytech Nantes
- OSUNA (Observatory of the Universe Sciences)

We also have an Institute of French as a Foreign Language

# Our locations : 3 main campuses



## Saint-Nazaire

- Gavy
- Heinlex (IUT)

## Nantes

- Chantrerie Campus (Polytech)
- Fleuriaye Campus (IUT)
- Tertre Campus (Humanities and Social Sciences, Law and Economics, Sport Sciences)
- Lombarderie Campus (Sciences and Techniques)
- Centre Loire Campus (Medicine and Health Sciences - University Rectorate - Institute of Technology *IUT Nantes*)
- Ile de Nantes Campus (Continuing Education)

## La Roche-sur-Yon

- Courtaisière Campus

- Our School of Teacher Education is also located in Angers, Laval and Le Mans

# A diverse and attractive academic offer

- Our main asset: interdisciplinary and cross-cutting academic programs.
- These programs cover the four main pillars of knowledge :
  - Law, Economics, Management
  - Arts and Humanities
  - Sciences, Technology, Health
  - Social and Human Sciences
- A strong commitment to student orientation and support in order to enhance their employability.
- Our strengths :
  - Development of vocational curricula in strong association with our economic partners.
  - Internationalization of our programs.

**38 000** students (initial education)

**3 800 to 4 000** international students (exchange and degree-seeking)

**75** Bachelors' degrees (Licence) incl. **48** Vocational Bachelors'

**16** Technical Degrees

**129** Masters' Degrees

**6** National Diplomas in Health

**77** Medical Degrees

**8** Engineering Degrees

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# A major research center in Western France

- **A multidisciplinary University with leading thematic research areas:**
  - Materials Science
  - Sea/Maritime Science
  - Digital Science
  - Health Science
- **Three priorities:**
  - Interdisciplinarity
  - Interregional
  - Internationalization
- **One strength:** Humanities and Social Sciences
- A strong policy and engagement toward innovation and industrial partnerships.

## **64 Research Units**

**+ 33 % of publications in scientific journals from 2010 to 2014**

**50% of our staff is dedicated to Research.**

**110 Foreign researchers invited**

**8 Doctoral Schools**

**1 286 Doctorate Students**

**246 PhD theses defended**

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# A University with an international outlook

- A development strategy for the internationalization of our educational and research programs to strengthen the University's attractiveness.
- An International Student and Researcher Welcome Center with personalized services:
  - Guichet unique : International Students Welcome Center
  - International Researchers Association in Nantes
- Support for outgoing mobility of students and staff.
- Promotion of the *Francophonie* and development of Distance Learning Programs.

Ranked between **401-500** in the **Times Higher Education**.

**500** Partner Institutions

**+12 %** of international co-publications from 2011 to 2014

**44** Double-Degree Agreements

**8** ongoing Erasmus mundus projects

**3 800 to 4 000** international students (exchange and degree-seeking)

**140** Nationalities

**130** Joint PhD & co-tutelle

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# Our services to international students

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The Université de Nantes has a long experience in welcoming international students. We offer:

- A personalized student welcome service at the *Guichet Unique* to help with administrative formalities: visa application, residence permit, registration and enrollment, housing aid, insurance...
- Dedicated staff to assist international students during their stay.
- Online course catalogue available to exchange students.
- Free of charge French support classes offered twice a week (4h total) and one intensive week at the beginning of the school year for exchange students.
- Social and intercultural activities with the Erasmus Student Network-Nantes association.

# A Dynamic Student Life

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- Strong support to student associations and activities through dedicated funding.
- A Student Life Center - *le Pôle étudiant* located in the heart of campus. It welcomes throughout the year concerts, exhibitions, debates, film projections, theatrical performances as well as student associations' meetings and duty hours.
- A cultural policy built on the values of openness, curiosity and diversity.
- One of the leading universities in high-level sport competitions.

**150** Student associations

**150** events organized each year by our student organizations in Nantes, La Roche-sur-Yon and Saint-Nazaire

**200 000 €** of financial assistance per year for student-led projects

**More than 50** sporting activities

**9** Competitive teams

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# An exceptional place to study and live

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- 5 main campuses along the Erdre river, north to south of the Nantes metropolitan area.
- One campus situated on a wooded area and largely served by public transportation.
- High quality infrastructure, with 424 500 m<sup>2</sup> representing 115 buildings and located on 12 sites
- An ambitious “Agenda 21” policy promoting sustainable development in accordance with the objectives set up by the “*Grenelle de l'Environnement*” national policy.



# A university rooted in the city and the region

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## A strong commitment to its territory and community

- Transfer of research activities and technologies into the socio-economic fabric of the city.
- A strong policy of cooperation with other actors in the *Pays de la Loire* Region and neighboring regions.
- Active participation in the entertainment and cultural life of citizens.
- Organization and promotion of many scientific events destined for the general public, schools and the scientific community.

**1 out of 12 inhabitants**  
*of Nantes metropole works or studies at the University*