

## REGISTRATION

For the different registration procedures, please visit:  
[www.univ-brest.fr/inscriptions](http://www.univ-brest.fr/inscriptions)

University registration fees for the 2015/2016 academic year are €184 for an undergraduate degree course and €256 for a Master's course.

Students eligible for a grant are exempt from tuition fees.

**Contact:**  
[deve@univ-brest.fr](mailto:deve@univ-brest.fr)

## FINANCING YOUR STUDIES

● **Grants:** You may be entitled to a grant to help finance your higher education studies. Please check your eligibility at [www.crous.fr](http://www.crous.fr).

Applications need to be made between 15 January and 30 April..

● **Local council aid:**  
Some local councils offer educational grants (e.g., student minimum income scheme in Plougastel or student loan scheme in Quimper).

You can make enquiries at your local town hall.

● **Région Bretagne aid:**  
The region provides educational grants to students in certain disciplines.

**Contact:**  
[www.bretagne.bzh](http://www.bretagne.bzh)

## JOBS

● UBO offers many student jobs throughout the year. However, don't forget that juggling working life with successful studies can become quite complicated when working more than 16h/week. UBO libraries regularly recruit assistants (10 hours per week maximum) to work in an environment that is compatible with academic study. If you are interested, please contact : [scd@univ-brest.fr](mailto:scd@univ-brest.fr)

**Contact:**  
Your department's Student Services office (Scolarité), CAP'AVENIR, UBO'S career advisory service, [www.jobaviz.fr](http://www.jobaviz.fr)

## HOUSING BENEFIT

● **CAF, the French Family Allowance Office**, offers financial support.

Before making a final choice of accommodation, check with CAF to find out how much housing benefit you may be entitled to.

Go to [www.caf.fr](http://www.caf.fr) to check your eligibility and apply online.

## UBO CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

UBO has many student associations, including:

- **Student societies** (often attached to the faculties), e.g., CEMB (medical students' society) and AssESciB (science students' society)
- **Cultural associations** (Radio U, Culture Connexions)
- **Charities** (e.g. "Pilidou", which offers support to children in hospital)
- **Other associations**, for example, ACEB (students from Cameroon) and West Up (LGBT community)
- **UBO sports association**

## BECOME A STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Both students and staff members get involved in the life of the institution and participate in university governance.

Student representatives are elected by fellow students to serve on the following university councils:

- Department Council
- Faculty Council
- CFVU (Board of Studies and Academic Life)
- CA (Board of Administration)
- CR (Research Council)

**Antoine Doncieux,**  
student in Biology

*Student Vice President of CFVU*

*"Being a student does not simply mean going to lectures or classes and letting others decide things on your behalf.*

*It's about getting actively involved in your studies and the university, making your voice heard and being directly involved in the development of the institution.*

*It also, and most importantly, means involvement in the decisions affecting students' daily lives.*

*It requires commitment to developing and initiating projects in conjunction with the student associations, who play a significant role in the whole process.*

*These associations liven up the campus and promote dialogue and exchange in order to transform a study place into a living place. Student life - together we make it happen!"*



VISIT US AT //

[univ-brest.fr/GB](http://univ-brest.fr/GB)



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Student services

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# STUDENT LIFE AT UBO

A QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE



## A SUCCESSFUL ACADEMIC CAREER

At university, you're in charge of your own success. Course attendance and personal study are key factors, but there are also many UBO resources available to help you:

- Welcome day
- Induction week, when you can familiarize yourself with academic study skills
- Personal tutors on hand to help you throughout the year
- CAP'AVENIR (careers advisory service)
- 12 university libraries open most days until 10 pm. In addition to general services, we offer introductory courses on documentary research and digital resources.

## THE DIGITAL CAMPUS

**Wi-Fi is available on all University campuses.**

- The online digital workspace (ENT) provides many resources to help you organize and manage your studies: the digital timetable, (also accessible via mobile phones), is perfect for staying up-to-date with course times and room changes, and the e-learning platform gives you access to educational resources from any Internet connection.
- You may wish to subscribe to a selection of thematic "virtual universities" and "digital libraries" to deepen your knowledge or simply to satisfy your curiosity! UBO has designed its own virtual librarian (ubib.fr) accessible 24/7 to answer your queries. This service is also available via chat.
- Brest's "digital canteen" (of which UBO is a founding member) helps you to develop hi-tech entrepreneurship projects.

## MOVING TO BREST

Brest is a city in which 10% of the population are students. Settling in is simple: accommodation is varied and accessible in Brest and the city offers many cultural and sports activities.

**Contact:**  
[www.brest-life.fr](http://www.brest-life.fr)



## ACCOMMODATION

The university accommodation services (CLOUS) in Brest and Quimper offer over 1,550 rooms.

These halls of residence are in the immediate vicinity of the University.

A renovated room with an Internet connection costs around €240 per month.

The LOKAVIZ online portal also lists affordable accommodation that meets current housing standards.

**Contact :**  
[www.crous-rennes.fr](http://www.crous-rennes.fr) ● [www.lokaviz.fr](http://www.lokaviz.fr)

## FOOD AND DRINK

All five university restaurants serve healthy three-course meals for just over €3. You may prefer to have a drink or a quick snack in one of the several campus cafeterias. The university has launched a multi-service payment card that can be used on any academic site in Brittany.

## HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

The University Medical Centre (SUMPPS) offers general medical/social services for students.

**It provides:**

- General or specialised consultations (gynaecologist, psychiatrist, psychologist, STIs, etc.)
- Nursing and social services (scholarships, financial aid, administrative procedures etc.)
- Well-being activities (yoga, massage, relaxation)
- Welcome and support services for students with disabilities or illnesses (identifying support needs and arranging provisions for studies/exams).

**Contact:**  
[www.univ-brest.fr/centredesante](http://www.univ-brest.fr/centredesante)

*You will be asked to present your social security card (French "Carte vitale") and proof of health insurance.*



## STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES OR HEALTH PROBLEMS

You can benefit from support and specific arrangements for:

- Organizing your courses and examinations
- Technical and teaching aids
- Accessibility
- Employability

**Contact:**  
l'« espace handiversité »  
Tel.: +33 (0)2 98 01 82 99  
[handiversite@univ-brest.fr](mailto:handiversite@univ-brest.fr)

## SPORT

SUAPS, the Department of Sports and Physical Activities, offers over 50 sporting activities.

Brest's recent top-of-the-range facilities include 4 multi-sport halls, 1 artificial turf football pitch, 1 rugby pitch, 1 athletics track, a gym and facilities for combat sports, dance, fitness, etc.

**Subscription:** €30 per year for the SPORT card, €20 supplement for water sports (medical certificate required).

**Contact :**  
[www.univ-brest.fr/suaps](http://www.univ-brest.fr/suaps)

- With the UBO's sports association "AS UBO", you can take part in the university championships organized by the FFSU (French Federation of University Sports).

Some activities that are not offered by SUAPS are available through the FFSU.

**Subscription:** €20 per year (medical certificate required).

**Contact:**  
[www.univ-brest.fr/suaps/menu/L\\_ASUBO/Presentation](http://www.univ-brest.fr/suaps/menu/L_ASUBO/Presentation)



## ELITE ATHLETES

"Elite athlete" status enables students to successfully strike a balance between educational and sporting commitments and the UBO provides specific help and support for both academic and sporting life.

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[www.univ-brest.fr/suaps/menu/Les\\_Activites\\_/Le\\_Haut\\_Niveau](http://www.univ-brest.fr/suaps/menu/Les_Activites_/Le_Haut_Niveau)

## CULTURE

Cinema, concerts, theatre, dance performances: UBO Cultural Services offers a wide range of student discounts. Many artistic activities are offered as regular courses or one-off training sessions at very affordable prices or even free of charge. Cultural Services also support students' cultural initiatives by providing partnerships, equipment, rehearsal rooms or funding.

Cultural events are organized throughout the year, such as public lectures, shows, exhibitions and a student art festival.

**Subscription:** €10 per year

**Contact:**  
[www.univ-brest.fr/serviceculturel](http://www.univ-brest.fr/serviceculturel)

## COMBINING UNIVERSITY STUDIES AND HIGH-LEVEL ARTIST STATUS

Students can be granted "high-level artist" status for one academic year, allowing them a certain degree of flexibility in the organization of their studies (e.g. priority in teaching group allocation, leave of absence for performances or workshops, exam flexibility).

High-level artist students may benefit from further assistance depending on their academic, artistic or other specific needs.

**Contact:**  
[http://www.univ-brest.fr/deve/menu/scolarite/Regimes\\_et\\_Statuts/Artistes\\_de\\_haut\\_niveau](http://www.univ-brest.fr/deve/menu/scolarite/Regimes_et_Statuts/Artistes_de_haut_niveau)



## CAREERS AND EMPLOYABILITY

CAP'AVENIR is the careers advisory service where trained professionals are on hand to provide advice on career choices, how to write a CV and covering letter, job interview preparation and how to target potential employers.

CAP'AVENIR also issues statistics on UBO graduate employability.

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[www.univ-brest.fr/cap-avenir](http://www.univ-brest.fr/cap-avenir)

## STUDYING ABROAD

An experience of working or studying abroad is an additional asset for your future career.

UBO has signed numerous partnership agreements with universities in Europe (ERASMUS+ programme) and worldwide to promote international student mobility for students following any course.

The Direction Europe & International department and the International Offices in each UBO faculty can guide you in your choice of a host institution abroad or help you to explore the feasibility of your international mobility project.

**Contact:**  
[www.univ-brest.fr/dei/](http://www.univ-brest.fr/dei/)