



UBO

Université de Bretagne Occidentale

**CHOOSE A SEASIDE
UNIVERSITY
FOR YOUR EXCHANGE STUDIES**

OUR LOCATION



- ✓ A multidisciplinary university
- ✓ A campus in the heart of the city
- ✓ A vibrant, medium-sized city
- ✓ An exceptional natural environment

UBO AT A GLANCE



+

22 000
STUDENTS

7 FACULTIES

7 INSTITUTES

3 SCHOOLS

11 DOCTORAL
SCHOOLS



+

over 200
TRAINING COURSES
Undergraduate to PhD



+

OVER
6 500
GRADUATES
EVERY YEAR



WHY CHOOSE UBO ?

First and foremost: with a few exceptions, at UBO you can study any subject you want! We offer programmes in a variety of fields such as marine sciences, humanities, law, economics, health care, electronics and digital technology, for which we have earned national and international renown. Plus, you will get the unique opportunity to be part of a medium-sized University who cares a lot about the well-being of its students.

With a main open campus in the heart of the energetic and welcoming city of Brest, and two campuses in the beautiful cities of Morlaix and Quimper, our University has an excellent learning environment for the 2 000 international students that join us every year. Located in one of the most stunning regions in western France, UBO is an exceptional starting point to explore and enjoy a wonderful natural environment- including some amazing beaches. Cultural life is also vibrant! If you're a music lover, you'll find what you're looking for with the numerous festivals and concerts organized throughout our region. We are confident that you will have a very busy academic and social life. But, if at any point you feel like visiting Paris, the city is less than one hour away by plane!

To sum-up: at UBO student life is exciting and easy! So come and join us!

Our staff and students will be happy to welcome you and guide you to make your stay a great success.



Béatrice THOMAS-TUAL
Vice-President, International Affairs



A UNIVERSITY WITH AN INTERNATIONAL OUTLOOK



+ 2 000
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
from 110 different countries



+ 391 STUDENTS
IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES



+ 600 STUDENTS TRAVEL
ABROAD FOR INTERNSHIPS EACH YEAR
70 different countries



+ 330 PARTNER UNIVERSITIES
ERASMUS+ AND BILATERAL AGREEMENTS



A WIDE RANGE OF COURSES

DEGREES

71

BACHELOR'S
DEGREES

61

PROFESSIONAL
DEGREES

97

MASTER'S
DEGREES

24 joint degrees
with other universities

19

TECHNOLOGICAL
DEGREES



7 TRAINING AND RESEARCH UNITS

- Dentistry
- Humanities and Social Sciences
- Law and Economics
- Medicine and Health Sciences
- Science and Technology
- Sport and Physical Education
- Speech Therapy



7 SPECIALIZED INSTITUTES

- EURIA (Euro-Institute for Actuarial Studies)
- IAE (Business Administration Institute)
- Physiotherapy Training Institute (IFMK) in partnership with the University Hospital (CHU)
- IPAG (Training Institute for Civil Service Careers)
- IUEM (European Institute of Marine Science)
- IUT (University Institute for Technology), Brest and Quimper



3 SCHOOLS

- ESIAB (Higher School of agri-food Technology)
- ESPE (Teacher training school)
- School of midwifery



STUDY IN AN EXCITING RESEARCH ENVIRONMENT



700
RESEARCHERS



34
LABORATORIES



4 MAJOR RESEARCH FIELDS

MATHS ICT

- Communication technologies
- Computing science
- Electromagnetism
- Electronics
- Maths

HEALTH AGRO-ENVIRONMENT MATERIALS

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Health Sciences
- Microbiology
- Physics
- Toxicology

MARINE SCIENCES

- Deep Ocean
- Environmental Microbiology
- Management of Coastal Areas
- Marine Ecology
- Marine Renewable Energies
- Maritime Law
- Ocean and Climate

HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

- Ageing and heritage
- Breton and celtic studies
- English-speaking world
- Psychology
- Public administration
- Sociology

THINKING ABOUT A PHD AT UBO?

HEALTH AGRI-ENVIRONMENT-MATERIALS

Biology & Health Doctoral School (BS)
Matter, Molecules & Materials Doctoral School (3M)
Ecology, Geosciences Agronomy & Food Doctoral School (EGAAL)

MATHS ICT

Mathematics & Communication Studies Doctoral School (MathSTIC)
Matter, Molecules & Materials Doctoral School (3M)

MARINE SCIENCE

Marine & Coastal Sciences Doctoral School (SML)
Engineering Sciences Doctoral School (SPI)

HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Arts, Literature & Languages Doctoral School (ALL)
Societies, Time & Territories Doctoral School (STT)
Law & Political Science Doctoral School (DSP)
Economic Sciences & Management Sciences Doctoral School (EDGE)
Education, Languages, Interactions, Cognition & Clinical Doctoral School (ELICC)





OUR SERVICES TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

WELCOME TO UBO:

a vast programme of activities and events during the academic year.

UBO STUDENTS WILL BE THERE TO MEET YOU upon your arrival at the airport/railway station.

PAIRING SYSTEM: incoming international students are matched with current students who help them with their cultural, academic and social integration during the academic year.

INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY CENTRE

- Information and reception desk
- Assistance with residence permit applications

FRENCH LANGUAGE SUPPORT

- Free French classes (throughout the study period)
- French conversation workshops

A FREE STUDENT MEDICAL CENTRE

16 LIBRARIES HOLDING 437 000 works in their collections. Two of the libraries are open until 10pm.

CULTURAL SERVICE: symphony orchestra, photography workshops, theatre...

STUDENT ASSOCIATIONS offer an array of social and cultural experiences, including many humanitarian projects.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATIONS are also involved in welcoming Erasmus and international students.

SPORTS

Students have unlimited access to sports facilities and classes, ranging from football to climbing (*an additional fee of €30 for outdoor nautical activities*).

Surfing and diving sites only 15 minutes from the city centre.

A wide variety of water sports including kitesurfing, sailing and stand up paddle boarding.





LIFE IN BREST

1 CAMPUS LOCATED IN DOWNTOWN BREST

- 209 000 inhabitants
- 22 000 UBO students
- 2 400 international students
- 3 student residences (1 200 rooms)
- 4 restaurants, 5 cafeterias

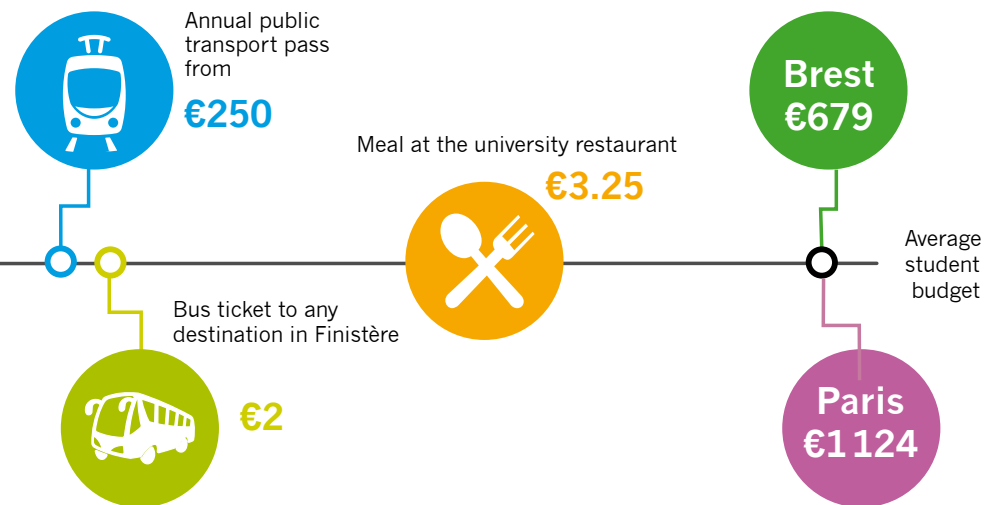
AN AFFORDABLE PLACE TO LIVE

A room with an internet connection costs around **€240 per month**.

- Affordable accommodation is offered by the university and through private landlords: Rental prices in Brest are €7.64/m² compared to €11.70/m² in Rennes or Nantes and over €25/m² in Paris.

AN OUTSTANDING ENVIRONMENT

Brest and its magnificent natural harbour offers all the advantages of a major city while retaining its local charm. An extensive transport network serves the city centre and surrounding areas, making local amenities and facilities easy to access.



Students may be eligible for government benefits to help pay their rent. The amount awarded depends on income, family size, study location, amount of rent and occupation status.





LIFE IN QUIMPER

- 63 400 inhabitants
- 2 750 UBO students
- 1 university center hosting the faculty of humanities and social sciences, the faculty of law, economics and management and the Faculty of Sciences and technology
- 1 university technology institute
- 1 student residence

A CAPITAL OF CULTURE

Small enough to feel like a village, with its loveliest old quarters and narrow cobbled streets and large enough to buzz as the troubadour of Breton culture and arts, Quimper is a delightful place to live.



LIFE IN MORLAIX

- 14 700 inhabitants
- 345 UBO students
- 1 university technology institute

A HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL TOWN

Morlaix is an engaging town with rich heritage to discover. Its narrow centre is filled with ancient half-timbered houses that spill down to a small port at the end of a large coastal inlet.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS TESTIMONIES

[**Jacqueline Rauhaus**]
Erasmus student from Bonn, Germany.

When I applied to the UBO in Brest for my Erasmus semester, nobody understood why. Everyone advised me to choose a bigger city, but I stuck to my choice ... and I didn't regret it! It rains quite often, and there are no extraordinary buildings like in Paris, but Brest and UBO offer many other things. First of all, I really appreciated the friendly atmosphere in the Faculty of Arts. Everyone was very helpful, even people I didn't study with. I liked going to the cafeteria to eat a veggie sandwich or a croissant. Through the university's sports program I got the opportunity to try nautical sports, which I had never done before. There are also many opportunities to have fun outside the campus: the city offers a wide range of cultural activities and there are lots of natural areas around Brest like the botanical gardens, beaches and hiking paths... Brittany is very beautiful, even my friends and my family who visited me had to admit it!

[**Nan Zhang**]
student from China

I have been in Brest for four years and I am currently doing a Master's degree in International and Multilingual Project Management. During my time at UBO, I have made a lot of amazing French friends. They have showed me around and helped me discover French and Breton culture. In my free time, I take part in different activities that are organized by the university, such as Zumba or rock classes. I think Brest is a lively city and every year I like to take part in the city's different music festivals, where I can have fun and meet more people.



HOW TO APPLY ?

Through an Erasmus + partnership
Through an international convention with your university
Through an individual application

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