University of Antwerp
Belgium

The University
The University of Antwerp has approximately 10,000 students, which makes it the third largest university in Flanders. Over 1,000 of these students - exchange students not included - are from foreign countries, with a majority of EU countries. The university’s four campuses are situated in the historic city centre and in the green belt to the south of the city.


The City
Antwerp is known for its diamonds and artists. Located on the Scheldt River, 55 miles from the North Sea, it is Europe’s second-largest port and a major center of finance, industry and, of course, the diamond trade. More carats are cut and traded in Antwerp than in any other city, and the diamond industry employs about 18,000 people. Antwerp also has a history of producing artists like Rubens, Van Dyck, Jordaens and others.
Antwerp, with a population of 500,000, is the largest Flemish-speaking city in Belgium, and its history is reflected in its layout. The city is divided into the old city, which lies within 16th-century walls; the 19th-century city, which stretches beyond the old section; and the post-World War II section. Dominating the port is the Steen, a medieval castle dating to the ninth century that now houses the National Maritime Museum.

http://www.antwerpen.be/eCache/BEN/52.html

About the Program
The program with the University of Antwerp is part of the MAUI-Utrecht Exchange and open to students from member institutions only. The University of Oklahoma is a MAUI member.

Academic calendar
The academic year is divided into 2 semesters. Examinations are organized at the end of the each term.
2007-2008 Dates
Autumn Semester
Orientation day: Friday, September 21
Beginning of term: Monday, September 24
End of term: Friday, February 1
Exam period: January 8 – February 2
Christmas break: December 24 - January 4
Spring Semester
Orientation day: Friday, February 8
Beginning of term: Monday, February 11
End of term: Friday, July 5
Exam period: May 27 – June 28
Easter break: April 1 – 12
Announcement of exam results: July 1 – 5

**Am I eligible for this program?**
You must have a 2.5 Combined Retained GPA.

**What could I study?**
Exchange students are allowed to take any course offered at the University of Antwerp. However, the main language of instruction is Dutch. Most undergraduate courses at UA are taught in Dutch only (the Faculty of Economics and the Faculty of Law offer specialized courses in English).
The faculty of Law offers the *International and European Legal Studies Programme (IELSP)* for one semester or one academic year. Courses and seminars focus mainly on European, international and comparative law.
The faculty of Applied Economics offers a selected number of courses and seminars in English in the second cycle.
Courses at the departments of Linguistics and Literature are medium-taught (in either Dutch, English, German, French, Italian, or Spanish).
In some science departments a selected number of lectures is given in English if there is an international audience.
Some postgraduate degrees are entirely in English or French (i.e. Institute for Development Policy and Management).
An intensive Dutch language course for exchange students is organized at the beginning of each semester. Exchange students pay a reduced registration fee of € 60 for this course.

**What about academic credit?**
Grades received on reciprocal exchange study abroad programs through the University of Oklahoma are posted by the Office of Admissions as Satisfactory (S) or Unsatisfactory (U) on the OU permanent record. These grades are not factored into the participant’s Grade Point Average. Because each student is enrolled in 12 credits per semester while abroad, participants are expected to enroll in an equivalent number of credits at the host university. Academic systems around the world vary in what equals 12 OU credits. The decision about awarding credits is made in the Office of Admissions at OU.

**Where would I live?**
Students going for a full academic year have to make their own housing arrangements. The rent for a private room is between 200 and 250 Euros per month. Students studying abroad at UA for one academic semester only are eligible to apply for accommodation on campus. Several options are available and depending on the option, cost varies from 160 to 300 Euros per month. For more information please go to [http://www.ua.ac.be/main.aspx?c=.ENGLISH&n=25494](http://www.ua.ac.be/main.aspx?c=.ENGLISH&n=25494).
How much does it cost?
Costs at OU: All students participating on semester or academic year reciprocal exchange programs are enrolled at OU for 12 credits each semester abroad. Tuition and fees are billed through and paid directly to OU at the appropriate resident or non-resident rate. Fees are charged at the Arts and Sciences College rate, even if the student’s major is in a different college. All participants pay a $10/credit hour study abroad fee.
There is a $35 non-refundable application fee for study abroad.
Below are other cost estimates in euro provided by the University of Antwerp.
Housing: €200 - €250 (private); €150 (on campus)
Meals: €200 - €300
Books: €40
Local Transportations, leisure, etc.: €19,30 (within Antwerp); €43,00 (10 one-way trips by train in Belgium)

How do I apply?
Instructions for applying to any semester or academic year exchange program may be found in the “how to apply” section of our website.

For more information, please contact:
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