Université de Valenciennes et du Hainaut Cambrésis (UVHC)

Institution's profile

The Université de Valenciennes et du Hainaut Cambrésis (UVHC), which marked its fortieth anniversary in 2004, is a comprehensive university enrolling 10,000 students in undergraduate and graduate degree programs and 2,500 in continuing education. Some 850 international students come from 64 different nationalities.

A faculty of 650 teachers and researchers, supported by a staff of 595 administrators, engineers, and technicians, engages students on three campuses—Cambrai, Maubeuge, and the main campus at Valenciennes.

Through its eight academic units, UVHC awards 96 national diplomas **in art and design, management, engineering and technology, history, letters and languages, law, physics, mathematics, computer science, economics, communications, and physical education and athletics.** The university also awards several of its own degrees as well as dual degrees.

Professional programs are housed in schools of engineering and business, seven university vocational institute, and a university institute of technology—all of which have an excellent placement rate. The university is implementing the LMD system; five of its units award the degrees licence, master, and doctorate.

A dozen research laboratories, including three affiliated with the CNRS, **conduct research in mechanics, energy, automation, computer sciences, electronics, information and communication technologies, mathematics, linguistics, history and civilization, development, economics, ceramics, and food sciences.** The university is recognized as a center of excellence for ground transport technologies, information sciences, and industrial engineering.

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A university with a human dimension, the Université de Valenciennes et du Hainaut-Cambrésis helps students quickly feel at home. In addition to on-campus housing and dining, many clubs and special interest groups bring students together. Students benefit from a computerized library, modern athletic facilities, and a rich calendar of cultural offerings. International students may take free courses in French language and culture at many levels.

Valenciennes, a large city in northern France, has an industrial tradition dating back to the great names in French industrial history. Situated on the Belgian border, once the capital of Hainaut, it is also rich in culture and art and home to renowed international painters. Valenciennes is within 300 km of the European capitals of Paris, Brussels, Amsterdam, Luxembourg, and London.

Institution's website

http://www.univ-valenciennes.fr

Identity form

Precise name of the institution :	■ **Université de Valenciennes et du Hainaut Cambrésis (UVHC)**
Type of institution :	■ **Public**
City where the main campus is situated :	■ **Valenciennes**
Number of students :	■ **10,000 undergraduate and graduate students and 2,500 in continuing education**
Percentage or number of international students :	■ **In 2003/04: 8 % foreign students**
Type and level of qualifications awarded :	■ **LMD** ■ **Other national diplomas** ■ **Own degree** ■ **Other degrees (dual degrees)**
French language courses for international students :	■ **Yes**
Study programmes for international students :	■ **Yes**
Training programmes in English :	■ **Yes**
Registration fees for the year (for information only) :	■ **Between 164€ and 441 € in 2003-04, depending on program**
Postal address :	■ **Université de Valenciennes et du Hainaut-Cambrésis – Service des Relations Internationales – Le Mont Houy – F-59313 Valenciennes cedex 9**