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UNIVERSITÉ DE  
NEUCHÂTEL


STUDY IN  
SWITZERLAND?

RENDEZ-VOUS  
IN NEUCHÂTEL!

Switzerland, a multilingual country in the heart of Europe, is known for its high level of academic training. The University of Neuchâtel (UniNE) is located in the French speaking part of Switzerland, in a city that enjoys a central location: it is half an hour by train from the federal capital, Bern, and just over an hour from the economic capital of Zürich or the international city of Geneva. The city of Paris is also only less than four hours away. Nestled in the foot of the mountains of the Jura, Neuchâtel faces the lake and offers a magnificent view of the Alps. The landscape, climate, cultural and social life are all factors that make the area of Neuchâtel (about 90,000 people) so attractive.

WELCOME  
TO NEUCHÂTEL!



	BACHELORS - 180 ECTS Credits (6 semesters)			MASTERS - 90 or 120 ECTS Credits (3 or 4 semesters)		DOCTORATE
	1 <sup>st</sup> year - Semesters 1 & 2	2 <sup>nd</sup> year - Semesters 3 & 4	3 <sup>rd</sup> year - Semesters 5 & 6	1 <sup>st</sup> year - Semesters 1 & 2	2 <sup>nd</sup> year - Semesters 3 & 4	
Humanities	<p><b>Bachelor of Arts</b> - Major/Minor :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Archaeology</li> <li>- Classical and Medieval Studies</li> <li>- Anthropology</li> <li>- Medieval French and Romance Philology</li> <li>- French as a Second Language</li> <li>- Geography</li> <li>- History</li> <li>- Art History</li> <li>- German Language and Literature 🇩🇪</li> <li>- English Language and Literature 🇬🇧</li> <li>- French Language and Literature</li> <li>- Hispanic Language and Literature 🇪🇸</li> <li>- Language and Communication Pathology</li> <li>- Philosophy</li> <li>- Psychology and Learning Sciences</li> <li>- Information and Communication Sciences</li> <li>- Language Sciences</li> <li>- Sociology</li> </ul> <p>Major/Minor in other faculties :</p> <p>Faculty of Science : Biology / Mathematics  Faculty of Economics and Business : Economics / Management &amp; Physical Education (Major only)</p>			<p><b>Master of Arts</b> - Major/Minor :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Archaeology (only Minor)</li> <li>- Comparative History - Ancient and Medieval History - Medieval and Modern History</li> <li>- Modern and Contemporary History</li> <li>- Art History</li> <li>- French Historical Linguistics and Philology</li> <li>- Literature - Classical and Medieval Literature - German Literature 🇩🇪</li> <li>- English and American Literature 🇬🇧 - French Literature</li> <li>- Spanish and Latin-American Literature 🇪🇸</li> <li>- Dramaturgy and Theater History (only Minor)</li> <li>- Philosophy (with the University of Fribourg)</li> <li>- Language and Communication Sciences - Theoretical and Applied studies</li> <li>- German Linguistics 🇩🇪 - English Linguistics 🇬🇧 - French Linguistics</li> <li>- Hispanic Linguistics 🇪🇸</li> <li>- Physical Education (only Minor; in another Faculty)</li> </ul> <p><b>Master of Arts in Social Sciences</b> - Major/Minor :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Anthropology</li> <li>- Geography</li> <li>- Migration and Citizenship Studies</li> <li>- Psychology and Learning Sciences</li> <li>- Sociology</li> </ul> <p><b>Master of Arts in Museum Studies</b></p> <p><b>Master of Arts in Speech and Language Therapy</b></p> <p><b>Master of Arts in Archeology</b> - with the University of Fribourg</p> <p><b>Bilingual Master of Arts in History</b> 🇩🇪🇪🇸  - with the University of Lucerne</p>		 <a href="http://www.unine.ch">www.unine.ch</a>
	<p><b>French Studies</b>  Certificate of French as a Second Language</p>	<p><b>French Studies</b>  Diploma of French as a Second Language</p>				
Science	<p><b>Bachelor of Science in Biology</b>  <b>Bachelor of Science in Biology and Ethnology</b>  <b>Bachelor of Science in Mathematics</b>  <b>Bachelor of Science in Natural Systems</b>  <b>Bachelor of Science in Science and Sports (mathematics + sports or biology + sports)</b></p>			<p><b>Master of Science in Biology of Parasites and Behavioural Ecology</b></p> <p><b>Master of Science in Biogeosciences</b> - with the University of Lausanne</p> <p><b>Master of Science in Hydrogeology and Geothermics</b> 🇩🇪🇬🇧</p> <p><b>Master of Science in Plant Ecology and Physiology</b> 🇩🇪🇬🇧</p> <p><b>Master of Science in Computer Science</b> 🇩🇪🇬🇧  with the Universities of Bern and Fribourg</p> <p><b>Master of Science in Mathematics</b>  with possibility of a Minor in Sports</p>		For doctoral studies at the University of Neuchâtel, please consult our website : <a href="http://www.unine.ch">www.unine.ch</a>
Law	<p><b>Bachelor of Law</b></p>			<p><b>Master of Law</b> 🇩🇪🇬🇧</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- without specialisation</li> <li>- Judicial professions</li> <li>- Business and Tax Law</li> <li>- International and European Law</li> <li>- Public Law</li> <li>- Health Law and Biotechnology</li> <li>- Sports Law</li> <li>- Social Right</li> <li>- Entrepreneurship and innovation</li> </ul> <p><b>Bilingual Master of Law</b> 🇩🇪🇪🇸</p> <p><b>Double Master of Law</b> - with the King's College London 🇩🇪🇬🇧</p>		For doctoral studies at the University of Neuchâtel, please consult our website : <a href="http://www.unine.ch">www.unine.ch</a>
Economics and Business	<p><b>Bachelor of Science in Economics and Business</b></p>			<p><b>Master of Science in Finance</b> 🇬🇧</p> <p><b>Master of Arts in Journalism and Communication</b> - with the University of Geneva 🇩🇪🇬🇧</p> <p><b>Master of Science in Psychology</b>, Major in Work and Organizational Psychology 🇩🇪🇬🇧</p> <p><b>Master of Science in International Business Development</b> 🇩🇪🇬🇧</p> <p><b>Master of Science in Economics</b>, Major in Economic Policy 🇬🇧</p> <p><b>Master of Science in Statistics</b> 🇬🇧</p> <p><b>Master of Science in Information Systems</b> 🇩🇪🇬🇧  - with the University of Lausanne</p> <p><b>Master of Arts in Public Opinion and Survey Methodology</b> 🇩🇪 or 🇪🇸🇬🇧  with the Universities of Lausanne and Lucerne</p>		For doctoral studies at the University of Neuchâtel, please consult our website : <a href="http://www.unine.ch">www.unine.ch</a>
			<p>Major (to be chosen in 3<sup>rd</sup> year) :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Economics</li> <li>- Accounting/Finance</li> <li>- Information Systems</li> <li>- Management</li> <li>- Human Resources</li> </ul>			
Theology				<p><b>Master of Theology</b>  (Practical Theology in Neuchâtel) - Biblical Studies / - Studies of Religion in Lausanne  - Christian History / Systematic Theology and Ethics in Genève)</p>		For doctoral studies at the University of Neuchâtel, please consult our website : <a href="http://www.unine.ch">www.unine.ch</a>

### Language of instruction

French is the main language of instruction in the Bachelor programs, with a recommended level of B2 according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). English, German, and Spanish are practiced in the programs concerning Language and Literature fields.

French remains the main language of instruction in the Master; however English and German are also used in some courses or even in full programs.

### Language Courses

In addition to offering full or part-time programs, the Institute of French Language and Culture offers free French lessons of two hours per week to non-French speaking students at A1, A2 and B1-B2-C1 levels, with a language laboratory and exercises in German-French or English-French translation.

The Language Centre offers not only courses in English and German but also multimedia self-learning language programs (in English, German, Italian and Spanish).

### Culture

Theaters, concert halls, museums, cinemas ... Neuchâtel has a taste for culture. Two major festivals punctuate the year: the Festi'Neuch, which celebrates contemporary music on the lake and the International Fantastic Film Festival (NIFFF) an event which is both provocative and amusing. Within the University, there are possibilities to invest free time into a choice of two excellent theater companies, to participate in two classic choirs, or even join the film club.

### Sport

Where sports are concerned, approximately 110 courses and more than 50 different disciplines are offered each week. Note that, both in winter and summer, Neuchâtel's geographical location allows for the practice of a multitude of outdoor sports including skiing, snowshoeing, golf, tennis, and sailing just to name a few. Beyond «classic» sports, fitness included, UniNE also provides access to more rare disciplines such as aikido, capoeira and different types of dance activities. A wide range of activities, aimed primarily at health, are also proposed. Most sports programs are free or offered at very competitive prices.

### Exchange programs (Mobility)

Not only does UniNE have more than a hundred cooperation agreements with Universities around the world, but it also welcomes over a hundred exchange students every year, in the range of courses it offers. Students from universities with which UniNE has not signed any formal partnership are also welcome.

The supervision of exchange students is guaranteed by an immersion course that takes place during the 10 days preceding each semester. The Neuchâtel section of the Erasmus Student Network organizes many activities during this course as well as during the semester. The Buddy Program offers exchange students personalized support upon arrival in Neuchâtel and during the first weeks.

### Accommodation & Budget

Rooms and studios, near university buildings and public transport, are available for students in Neuchâtel. Other opportunities exist in neighboring cities. One needs to count between CHF 400.- to 600.- per month for rent (approximately € 320.- to 480.-). The monthly estimated expenditure for a student in Neuchâtel is between CHF 1600.- and 2600.- (approximately € 1290.- to 2100.-) excluding tuition fees.

### Formalities

- **Visa:** non-European students must apply for a visa to stay in Switzerland. The visa application must be submitted at least three months before the start of classes. Depending on the country of origin, a financial guarantee is sometimes required but this is not the case for exchange students.
- **Health Insurance:** All students must be insured against sickness and accidents. Sometimes an insurance policy, from the home country, especially for Europeans, is sufficient. When this is not the case, students must have a Swiss health insurance.

### Registration Fees

- The semester fees for foreign students - those whose parents are living abroad - amount to CHF 790.- (or CHF 515.- for Swiss)
- Exchange students (studying one or two semesters without getting UniNE grades) are exempt from registration fees.

### Fulltime studies registration

Students who wish to enroll in UniNE for a Bachelor, Master or Doctorate file their application for registration by April 30<sup>th</sup> to begin in the Fall semester and by November 30<sup>th</sup> for the Spring semester. The conditions and procedure for admission are detailed on [www.unine.ch/admission](http://www.unine.ch/admission)

### Exchange students registration (Mobility)

Students, from partner universities, who wish to participate in an exchange with the UniNE should initially contact the International Relations Office in their home university. We will then be informed of the candidacy before April 15 for an exchange for the Fall semester and before September 15 for an exchange starting in the Spring semester. The procedure is described under the heading Students mobility on the following webpage [www.unine.ch/mobilite](http://www.unine.ch/mobilite)

### Registration and Exchange Services (SIM)

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Details may be found on [www.unine.ch](http://www.unine.ch)  
Unine.ch > For Prospective Students  
Unine.ch > Futur étudiant

## THE UNINE IS:

- open to the world, with faculties that offer «euro-compatible» courses of study
- carefully supervised by internationally renowned professors, assistants and academic advisors
- a human-sized institution where people know one another and exchange knowledge
- a promoter of research, granting one the opportunity to work closely with doctoral students and researchers
- in tune with the needs of society by offering training that meets current and future needs
- interdisciplinary, promoting multiple visions and knowledge sharing
- a provider of numerous and effective services : housing, computer, language centers, sports and cultural activities, etc.

## IN NUMBERS

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**5** FACULTIES  
HUMANITIES  
SCIENCE  
LAW  
ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS  
THEOLOGY

**23 %** FOREIGN STUDENTS

**133,8 MILLION**  
BUDGET (APPROX. 109 MILLION EUR)

**4'358**  
STUDENTS  
(59% FEMALE)

**589**  
PHD STUDENTS  
(42% FOREIGN STUDENTS)

**742**  
FULL TIME (OVER 1,050  
PEOPLE) EQUAL OPPORTUNITY  
EMPLOYEES

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