

INTERNATIONAL CLASS AT THOMAS MORE KEMPEN

MORE TO EXPLORE !

You are a student in early childhood, primary or secondary education or interested in education in general?

What about studying in a renowned teacher training institution in the middle of Europe?

In the international class at Thomas More Kempen you get the possibility to study for 3 or 5 months in a **full programme in English** together with other Erasmus and Flemish students!



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* You can choose between the options mentioned above.

Attention: the combination of courses can be restricted by planning issues and need to be communicated beforehand.

More to discover | 4 ECTS

In this module you will discover Flanders, Belgium and a small part of the Netherlands. We focus on Europe and education in Europe and compare schools, school systems and learning outcomes. A light will also be shed on aspects of the world and global challenges. These aspects will also be discussed.

The competences you will need as a future teacher, a teacher of the future, are the main goals: connectivity, group forming activities based on openness, safety, dialogue and participation. You will develop 21st century skills, intercultural skills and intercultural awareness. New methods of project work will be applied. While reflecting and reporting, students become conscious about their own learning and learning outcome.

You will meet your buddy who will guide you through your stay in Belgium and will make you feel at home very quickly.

More diversity in education | 4 ECTS

This module aims to establish an understanding and awareness of equality and diversity, and to enable students to reflect critically on perceptions, attitudes and practices according diversity and equity. They become aware of their own view on diversity and develop the attitude to understand and accept other perceptions and values.

Students will look into different aspects of diversity in our society, in schools and education in general and acquire the necessary knowledge, skills and attitudes to deal with diversity in an educational context.

Besides a theoretical introduction on diversity in/and education, students will get the opportunity to experience and investigate diversity in a practical way. In the workshops they develop their insights and skills in different implementations of diversity in education. Students will acquire some in-school experience, while observing classes in pre-primary, primary and/or secondary schools in Belgium.

They will also participate in the International Day and be able to share their view, on diversity and internationalisation, with Flemish teacher training students.

More multilingual education | 3 ECTS

In this module we will focus on the importance of language in education.

- ✓ What are the advantages of early foreign language learning?
- ✓ How is immersion education in Belgium organised?
- ✓ What exactly is content and language integrated learning CLIL?

We will study the impact of language in education and how to make it one of your strengths as a professional.

More innovation in education | 9 ECTS

This course will be developed as a professional learning community between students, primary schools and teacher trainers. The student can opt for outdoor education, multilingual education, digital school and/or art in cross-level working. He may give up his preference and this will be taken into account. The concrete subject is determined in a collaboration with the participating schools from the professional field or organizations/ companies.

The student is immersed in the content of the theme by activities, presentations, working visits, literature study, When studying the subject, the international context of the theme is considered.

The group of students receives a practical case. In group, the research will be developed. Solutions are designed and the student investigates them during primary school practice.

Survival Dutch | 3 ECTS

How to survive in Flanders? You can use your English language skills but might need some basic Dutch understanding. In this course a third-year student at the teacher training of secondary education will help you to survive with some basic vocabulary and grammar using communicative strategies. The didactic methods being used will help you as a future teacher.

Digital learning design | 3 ECTS

In this module we focus on ICT and technology in education. You will find out how blended learning can enhance the students' motivation. You will learn more on digital learning apps and how technology connects this globalized world.

More practice | 7 or 10 ECTS

The student will do an internship in a Flemish or international school, or in an educational organization. He will observe, participate and – when possible - teach in a class and school, or work in the organization. The age of the children will be according the study-level in the home institution. Co-teaching and job-shadowing are likely.

More choice | 3 ECTS

The student makes a choice between

- ✓ following a course at the teacher education according to your teachers' profile (mention that some course can be restricted because of planning issues)
- ✓ a short-period of observation in a school or educational organization

and for Flemish students

- ✓ a short-term mobility
- ✓ a practical experience (internship) abroad or in the French-speaking part of Belgium
- ✓ participation in a multiple-day conference, an international course, or a course at a foreign institution

After the intake the student makes the choice. This is always in consultation with the lecturer. The teacher supervises and coaches.

Where?

Most of the courses will be held at campus Vorselaar, founded in 1902 and one of the oldest teacher training institutes in Belgium.



Vorselaar is a small town with a great history situated in the province of Antwerp in Belgium. You can easily visit our famous Belgian cities such as Gent, Brugge, Antwerp and Brussels. It only takes you a couple of hours to visit Paris, Köln, London or Amsterdam during the weekends. We will help you with finding accommodation. The average price for a room is about € 250/month.

When?

Our 20 ECTS-programme is from Monday 11 February to Friday 10 May 2019.

Our 30 ECTS-programme is from Monday 11 February to Friday 14 June 2019.

Linguistic requirements

Our programme 'More to explore' is in English and offers a programme on education for future teachers.

We require an A2 level for participating students and a B1 level in English for students interested in practice.

Why choose Thomas More?

Thomas More is the largest university college in Flanders, offering over 50 bachelor and master degree programmes in the province of Antwerp, in the Dutch speaking part of Belgium.

The Academic Bachelors and Masters are part of the association of KU Leuven as of July 2013. This means that their courses are KU Leuven courses, organized on the campuses of Thomas More University of Applied Sciences. They work together closely with related professional bachelors. As a result, Thomas More is a fully fledged knowledge centre and engine for regional innovation.

With Thomas More (1478-1535) the university college follows in the footsteps of the English humanist, scientist and author. In addition, the name 'More' also refers to *more* course programmes, *more* regional spread, *more* cooperation agreements, *more* horizons.

More than 17,000 students and 1,800 staff members

More regional spread with campuses in Antwerp, Geel, Lier, Mechelen, Sint-Katelijne-Waver, Turnhout and Vorselaar.

More than 30 Professional Bachelors in 7 study areas.

More than 20 Academic Bachelors and Masters in 4 study areas (see the website for all the options)

The educational faculty of Thomas More offers state of the art education and training to about 2,600 students in Mechelen, Turnhout and Vorselaar.

Students can choose between Bachelor of Early Childhood Education, Bachelor of Primary Education and Bachelor of Secondary Education. It takes 3 years to graduate. The age-range for the pupils is 2.5 to 6 (pre-school), 7 to 12 (primary school) and 12 to 16 years (lower secondary school).

Our faculty also provides in-service-training for teachers and heads of schools.

Admission and Registration Procedures

We'd like to welcome you as one of our incoming Erasmus students!

Your application must be approved by your home institution and can only be accepted if there is an existing bilateral agreement for mobility between the faculties.

If you want to apply for studying at our teacher training faculty, meet with your international office and let them send a nomination by mail to Vanessa Dockx, vanessa.dockx@thomasmore.be, International Office, Lepelstraat 2, B 2290 Vorselaar, Belgium. After acceptance the student can do the online application on the website of Thomas More <http://www.thomasmore.be/welcome>.

Send a photocopy of your ID, your transcript of records of previous study years and a proof of health insurance and of third-party liability insurance for staying abroad.

The deadline is 15 October 2018 for the spring semester.

If you have any further questions, please contact Greet Cuyt greet.cuyt@thomasmore.be (coordinator of the international class 'More to explore') or Vanessa Dockx vanessa.dockx@thomasmore.be.