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<p>Offer for exchanges</p>	<p>We only accept students from universities with which our programme of Medicine has a <b>formal exchange agreement</b>.</p> <p><u>Courses</u> All our theoretical courses are taught in Dutch. Therefore we rarely accept foreign students for our theoretical programme (except if the student has a <b>B2 level of Dutch</b>).</p> <p><u>Clinical rotations</u> We accept students for clinical rotations in <b>blocks of 4 weeks</b> and depending on the <b>availability</b> of each clinical department in our university hospital UZ Gent. Below you can find a list of departments where we can offer traineeships. <b>Please note that from January to the last week of April, we don't accept incoming students for traineeships due to a lack of traineeship spots.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dermatology</li> <li>• Surgery</li> <li>• Geriatrics</li> <li>• Urology</li> <li>• Radiotherapy-oncology</li> <li>• Emergency</li> <li>• Otorhinolaryngology (ENT)</li> <li>• General internal medicine (infectious diseases, HIV reference centre, travel clinic)</li> <li>• Orthopedics</li> <li>• Neurology</li> <li>• Endocrinology</li> <li>• Gynaecology/obstetrics</li> <li>• Pediatrics</li> <li>• Gastro-enterology</li> <li>• Anesthesiology</li> <li>• Ophthalmology</li> <li>• Radiology (max. 2 weeks)</li> <li>• Cardiology</li> <li>• Clinical biology</li> </ul>
<p>Academic calendar</p>	<p><u>Academic calendar</u> A student can come to Ghent either in the first semester (autumn), the second semester (spring) or during the summer months. <b>From January to the last week of April we don't accept incoming students.</b></p>
<p>Restrictions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students must be in their 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> year of studies (Master) during the traineeship. <b>Recent graduates are not accepted.</b></li> <li>• Subject to availability of traineeship spots at the departments. Please note that certain departments are very popular, and therefore likely to be unavailable.</li> <li>• No traineeships possible in the period January-April</li> </ul>

<b>Language requirements</b>	<p>For clinical rotations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English B2 (no certificate is required; a videocall might be planned to check the language level).</li> <li>From our experience, we highly recommend Dutch A1 or A2, though not impose this.</li> </ul> <p>For courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dutch B2</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">Read a detailed description of Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) at the Council of Europe's webpage</a></p>
<b>Study plan</b>	<p>Only when using the learning agreement for studies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For traineeships: students can choose the generic components called "traineeship" 1 to 10 cf. <a href="#">exchange programme</a>.</li> <li>For courses in Dutch: cf. course catalogue below</li> </ul>
<b>Course catalogue</b>	<p>The general course catalogue: <a href="#">Bachelor</a> en <a href="#">Master</a> (only for courses). All medical courses are taught in <b>Dutch</b>.</p>
<b>Application procedure</b>	<p><b>Application requirements</b></p> <p>Students need to be nominated by their home institution <a href="#">here</a>. They should be nominated a week before the application deadline (see below). Afterwards, they need to register and apply online <a href="#">here</a>. They should include</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a learning agreement</b> signed by the home institution (a PDF or digitally via EWP)</li> <li><b>a transcript of records</b> of <u>all</u> completed course units within the medical programme. This should state clearly in which year the student is currently enrolled.</li> <li><b>a curriculum vitae</b> in English or Dutch with a clear picture</li> <li>optional during application: a medical certificate stating that they are fit to perform tasks as a medical trainee</li> </ol> <p><i>If the student doesn't dispose of such a certificate yet or the existing certificate is considered insufficient, he/she needs to make an appointment before the start of the traineeship for a free medical examination at the Ghent University Medical Surveillance Service, situated on campus.</i></p>
<b>Deadlines for application</b>	<p><b>Please note that the deadlines for application are very strict. <u>Late applications will not be accepted.</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>First semester</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>CLINICAL ROTATIONS: 15 March</b> This deadline is earlier than the usual deadline of our university. We need this early deadline to have enough time to draw up a feasible schedule for all incoming students. Students are welcome in the period September-December.</li> <li><b>COURSES ONLY: 15 May</b> Students are welcome in the usual semester period from September-February.</li> </ul> </li> <li><u>Second semester</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>CLINICAL ROTATIONS: 15 November</b> Students are welcome in the period starting from the last week of April until the end of August.</li> <li><b>COURSES ONLY: 15 November</b> Students are welcome in the usual semester period from February-August.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Housing</b>	<p>Students can apply for a university residence after having been admitted as an exchange student at Ghent University. Please note that the offer is limited, especially in the first semester due to an overload of applications. <a href="#">Here</a> you can find more information on housing. Estimated housing costs are between 400-450 euros for a student room or 600-700 euros for a studio.</p>
<b>Additional information</b>	<p><b>No fee</b> is to be paid for exchange students coming to Ghent University.</p>

The faculty student organisation assigns a “**buddy**” to incoming students. They will be contacted by one of the responsible Ghent University students before their stay.

**More detailed information on:**

- Possibilities for an exchange
- Requirements
- Practical information and deadlines
- Contact information
- Housing

is available on [our programme's website](#) and on [Ghent University's portal for incoming students](#) or the [international student guide](#).

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