## LHIST1260

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## Introduction to the institutions of Belgium

4.0 credits

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Université catholique de Louvain

2q

45.0 h

Teacher(s) :	Cauchies Jean-Marie ;
Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes :	Alternating general glimpses of the great epochs of Belgium's past and in-depth lectures on more specific questions (origins of the linguistic boundaries, balances of power in the medieval principalities, XVIIIth century "modernity", linguistic and community questions, for ex.).
Aims :	A student having followed this course should have mastery of the geopolitical and institutional limits of the territories composing the Kingdom of Belgium today, from the Roman period to present, and be able to understand the historical foundations of structures and mentalities of contemporary Belgium. The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".
Content :	A study of the historical evolution of territories constituting Belgium today, with the accent placed on geopolitical and institutional elements of the past, from the Roman conquest to the "new" Belgium, issuing from constitutional revisions. We stress more recent periods and historical studies of phenomena related to the contemporary Belgian situation ("federalism", "community" problems) or controversial questions (the idea of "Belgium", "foreign dominations").
Other infos :	Prerequisites : A minimal "familiarity" with Belgian human geography and events. Evaluation : Oral examination. Teaching materials : Student notes. Syllabus - a map and appendices - considerable bibliography (preparation for the choice of a licence memoir).
Cycle and year of study :	> Bachelor in History
Faculty or entity in charge:	HIST