



How we've created the top 10 European online university list

Popular university rankings do not create lists with the best online universities in Europe. We've decided to compile our own list using information from the prestigious QS Rankings 2020, created by TopUniversities. How? We've selected one top-ranked university from some of the most popular European study destinations.

In cases where we couldn't find a ranked university offering online programmes, we've included an unranked one with available online courses. We've done this to try and cover a wide variety of countries and offer options to students who want to earn a degree from a top European university. Also, the included countries are not listed in any particular order.

So, here is our list of 10 top European universities offering distance learning degrees:

1. Wageningen University and Research (WUR), the Netherlands

The Wageningen University is always among the top 10 best Dutch universities in the prestigious rankings created by TopUniversities, Times Higher Education, and the Shanghai Jiao Tong University.

The online courses offered by the Wageningen University on our portals are usually at Master's level. Tuition fees range between 670 - 2,100 EUR per academic year.

2. Freie Universitat Berlin, Germany

Most study programmes offered at the Freie Universitat Berlin are free of charge for all students, regardless of their nationality. However, tuition fees can reach 9,500 EUR/year for some of their online courses. The distance learning programmes offered by the Freie Universitat are usually at Master's level.

3. Stockholm University, Sweden

Over 30,000 students are enrolled at the Stockholm University, an institution where a lot of work and development is put into research, especially in the Science and Human Science fields. Tuition fees for the online courses offered by the Stockholm University can reach over 13,000 EUR per academic year. These courses are usually offered at Master's level.

4. Trinity College Dublin, Ireland

Trinity College Dublin (TCD) is the best academic institution in Ireland, occupying the first place in the rankings created by TopUniversities, THE, and the Shanghai University.

The online courses offered by TCD are at Master's level, and tuition ranges between 3,500 - 11,200 EUR per academic year.

5. University of Oxford, the UK

What can we say about the Oxford University? It is one of the best and most renowned universities in the world, often fighting for the 1st place in rankings with the University of Cambridge. It has high educational standards, some of the best professors in the world, and rigorous admission requirements.

Most online courses offered by the University of Oxford are at Master's level. Tuition fees range between 1,800 - 16,500 EUR per academic year.

The Open University UK is the British institution offering the most distance learning programmes on our portal, with over 160 online Bachelor's and Master's degrees. You can also check out the top 10 British universities offering online study programmes.

6. University of Nicosia, Cyprus

The University of Nicosia (UNIC) is the largest university in Cyprus and welcomes over 12,000 (on-campus and online) students every year. International students from over 70 countries choose UNIC for their studies abroad.

The University of Nicosia offers online courses both at Bachelor's and Master's level. Tuition ranges between 6,000 - 12,100 EUR per academic year.

7. EU Business School, Spain

The EU Business School is a private higher education institution in Spain. It is mainly focused on Business and Management degrees, and tuition costs are higher since it doesn't benefit from state funding.

Online courses offered by the EU Business School cost between 12,900 - 29,850 EUR per academic year.

8. Swiss School of Business and Management, Switzerland

The Swiss School of Business and Management is a private university that offers Business studies designed to meet the needs of diverse industries and large companies. The institution collaborates with various scholars and organisations in order to design courses that prepare students for the labour market.

Most online courses offered by the Swiss School of Business & Management are at Master's level. Tuition fees range between 600 - 15,000 EUR per academic year.

The Academy of Leadership Sciences Switzerland is the Swiss institution that offers the most online courses (around 50) on our portal.

9. International Telematic University UNINETTUNO, Italy

The International Telematic University UNINETTUNO offers online degrees recognised all over Europe. It also provides career advice to ambitious students in order to set study goals throughout the duration of their studies.

The online courses offered by the International Telematic University UNINETTUNO are at both Bachelor's and Master's level. Tuition fees range between 1,600 – 3,200 EUR per academic year.

10. Université Catholique de Louvain (UCL), Belgium

The Université Catholique de Louvain (UCL) aims towards the future, hiring teachers and researchers from all over the world who fit the university's rigorous standards. The diversity in teacher staff also reflects the great variety of international students who choose to study here.

The university follows an interdisciplinary approach to teaching, through numerous joint activities and has partnerships with several universities in Belgium and abroad.

The Université Catholique de Louvain (UCL) offers both online Master's degrees and online short courses.