



# DISCOVER



**FRANKLIN  
SWITZERLAND**  
U.S. UNIVERSITY & SWISS UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE

Lugano, Switzerland, nestled in the Swiss Alps, is a captivating city known for its stunning lakeside location and rich cultural heritage.



FRANKLIN SWITZERLAND'S CAMPUS  
(10 minutes from city center)

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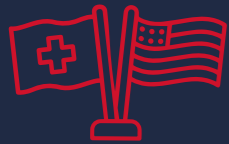
# FRANKLIN SWITZERLAND

Founded in 1969, Franklin Switzerland is the only **American-accredited liberal arts institution in the country**. With an interdisciplinary approach and a global outlook, Franklin offers a dynamic education that emphasizes personal growth, mobility, and intercultural dialogue.

Through integrated study, hands-on research, cultural immersion, and academic travel, students gain new perspectives and broaden their horizons. Franklin graduates are globally minded, adaptable, and successful, making an impact in communities and careers around the world.



## QUICK FACTS



**DUAL ACCREDITATION**  
United States (MSCHE)  
& Switzerland\* (AAQ)



**350+ STUDENTS** representing  
**55+ COUNTRIES**  
**8K+ ALUMNI COMMUNITY**



**19 Majors**  
**1 Master**  
(Master of Arts in Sustainability  
and Transformation)



**SMALL CLASS SIZES:**  
average 16 students;  
10:1 student-to-faculty ratio



**RESIDENTIAL CAMPUS**  
with 8 residence halls



**ACADEMIC TRAVEL**  
once a Semester for  
Experiential Learning



**WURI RANKING 2025**  
24th for Innovation  
19th for Ethics and Integrity  
17th for ESG Trend



**GREEN CAMPUS**  
Franklin's Green Office  
drives environmentally  
conscious campus life



**CAREER-READY GRADUATES:** 75% secure  
full-time employment within  
6 months of graduating;  
95% within 12 months



Programs fully taught  
in English

\*Franklin Switzerland is accredited as a university in the United States by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools (MSCHE) and as a University Institute in Switzerland by the Swiss Accreditation Council.

### NORTH CAMPUS VILLA

Inside the building are numerous offices, including Administration, the Bursar's Office, IT, and various faculty offices, as well as a small conference room on the ground floor.

# WELCOME TO SWITZERLAND

Central, safe, clean, mountains, lakes, banking, technology, railroads – and, why not, chocolate and cheese, Switzerland offers an international experience like no other.

While it is known for a variety of reasons, what unites the country is a deeply rooted strength that comes from diversity.

Go anywhere! Switzerland's postcard-perfect geographical location paired with its incredibly precise public transportation system makes traveling to Europe's most famous cities fast, easy and inexpensive. Ride the train through the German-speaking region of Switzerland, working on Italian homework while having a French croissant.



1.5 HOURS FROM MILAN BY TRAIN  
2 HOURS FROM ZURICH BY TRAIN  
6 HOURS FROM PARIS BY TRAIN / 1.5 HOURS BY PLANE  
2 HOURS FROM LONDON BY PLANE

## QUICK FACTS



**1<sup>ST</sup>** COUNTRY  
FOR QUALITY  
OF LIFE



**1<sup>ST</sup>** COUNTRY  
FOR GLOBAL  
INNOVATION



**2<sup>ND</sup>** COUNTRY  
FOR HUMAN  
DEVELOPMENT  
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**1<sup>ST</sup>** COUNTRY FOR  
ENVIRONMENTAL  
PERFORMANCE



**13<sup>TH</sup>** HAPPIEST  
COUNTRY  
WORLDWIDE



ANDERMATT  
SWITZERLAND



ZURICH  
SWITZERLAND



MILAN  
ITALY



GENEVA  
SWITZERLAND

# ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

At Franklin, we offer a highly innovative, globally focused liberal arts curriculum. Students can earn a **Bachelor of Arts (BA)** or **Bachelor of Science (BS)** in over 15 majors, while exploring minors and other academic interests.

A hallmark of our undergraduate program is flexibility: many majors allow you to customize part of your study plan to fit your passions and career goals. Every student completes a thesis, internship, or senior research project, ensuring hands-on experience that prepares you for life beyond Franklin.

We take learning beyond the classroom seriously. Whether investigating environmental challenges in the Alps or traveling to Renaissance Florence to study art history, experiential learning is a core part of the Franklin experience. Not a rare opportunity, but a regular part of your education.



# ACADEMIC PATHWAYS

- Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Science (BS) \*
- Honors Program
- Graduate Program
- 3+1 option: Bachelor of Arts in Social Justice and Sustainability (3 years) + Master of Arts in Sustainability and Transformation (1 year)
- Foundation/Gap Year
- Study Abroad
- Summer Programs (High School & Undergraduate)

\* 3- and 4-year options available depending on student eligibility.



## KALETSCH CAMPUS

Franklin's Kaletsch Campus is the heart of campus life. It houses the main Reception, the President's Office, Grace Library, Nielsen Auditorium, Grotto Dining Hall, Holman Hall, classrooms, faculty and staff offices including Admissions and Marketing. It is a vibrant hub for learning, collaboration, and community.



INEQUALITY AND POLITICS  
SPAIN



NAPLES AND THE SEA  
NAPLES, ITALY



CORP SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY  
NETHERLANDS



PRAGUE ON THE PAGE  
PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

# ACADEMIC TRAVEL

## THE WORLD IS YOUR CLASSROOM

Whether you are exploring the **environmental impact of tourism in Iceland** or diving into **finance and culture in London**, these trips allow you to learn first-hand, engage with local communities, and experience cross-cultural exchange. Academic Travel takes your learning well beyond the classroom—into the world itself.

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

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Included in tuition fee  
Supplementary fees may apply for some longhaul destinations
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Faculty-designed and Faculty-led
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10-day to two-week travel period every semester
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Credit-bearing (1 or 3 credits)
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Variety of international locations
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Non major-specific



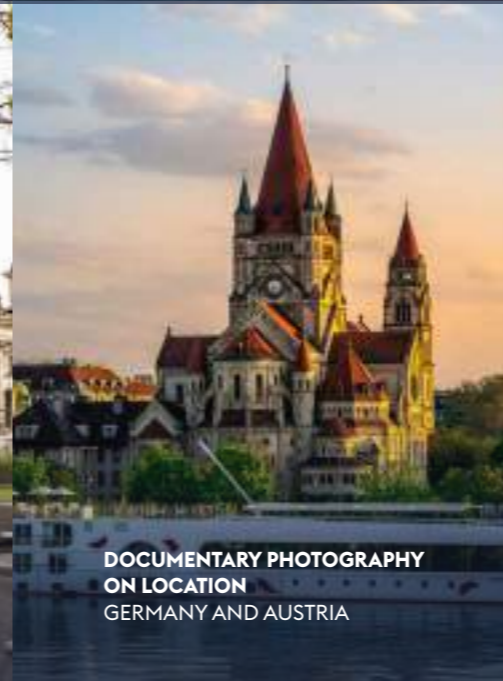
MEASURING THE ALPS  
SWITZERLAND AND ITALY



TOURISM AND THE ENVIRONMENT  
ICELAND



THE POSTCOLONIAL CITY  
BERLIN & HAMBURG, GERMANY



DOCUMENTARY PHOTOGRAPHY ON LOCATION  
GERMANY AND AUSTRIA



GARDENS AND ART  
ROME, ITALY



MANAGING THE NEW ZEALAND ENVIRONMENT  
NEW ZEALAND



ARTS, LUXURY, AND EXPERIENCES  
PARIS, FRANCE

### RECENT ACADEMIC TRAVELS

- ITALY**  
Studies in Ceramics
- GERMANY**  
Personal Finance
- NORTH-EAST ITALY AND SLOVENIA**  
Freshwater Conservation
- SWITZERLAND**  
International Environmental Politics
- CENTRAL EUROPE**  
An Urban History
- MEDITERRANEAN REGION**  
Corporate Social Responsibility
- ITALY**  
Food Journalism and Culture

# PLANNING YOUR PATH AT FRANKLIN

\*Students with advanced credit, coming from advanced curricular programs (e.g. IB, Matura, AP, Abitur), may graduate

## 1ST YEAR

- First-Year Seminar
- 5 courses per semester – including Academic Travel
- Get started on university core requirements – including language and writing courses
- Get involved by joining a campus club – or create one of your own

## 2ND YEAR

- Choose your major area of study
- Meet with your advisor to talk about professional pathway possibilities
- 5 courses per semester – including Academic Travel
- Help new students by becoming an Orientation Mentor

## 3RD YEAR\*

- Start exploring career possibilities and summer internships
- 5 courses per semester – including Academic Travel
- Advance towards completion of your major – consider adding a minor/s
- Finish remaining core requirements

## 4TH YEAR

- Start work on and complete your Capstone project
- 5 courses per semester – including Academic Travel
- Write a senior Bachelor thesis
- Apply to internships, jobs and/or graduate school

### SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR COURSE SCHEDULE

International Management with a minor in Sustainable Luxury Management.

	FALL SEMESTER	SPRING SEMESTER
YEAR 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ FYS BUS 199 Sustainability and Digital Transformation</li> <li>■ WTG 150 Academic Writing: Crossing Borders</li> <li>■ MAT 181 Math for Everybody</li> <li>■ BUS 108T Arts, Luxury, and Experience</li> <li>■ <b>Academic Travel</b> (Paris)</li> <li>■ Modern Language 100</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ BUS 135 International Business</li> <li>■ BUS 115 Financial Accounting</li> <li>■ MAT 182 Statistics for Everybody</li> <li>■ BUS 136T Marketing in a Global Context</li> <li>■ <b>Academic Travel</b></li> <li>■ Modern Language 101</li> </ul>
YEAR 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ ECN 100 Principles of Macroeconomics</li> <li>■ BUS 226 Managerial Finance</li> <li>■ MAT 282 Intermediate Statistics</li> <li>■ BUS 237T Operations and Supply Chain Management</li> <li>■ <b>Academic Travel</b></li> <li>■ Modern Language 200</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ ECN 101 Principles of Microeconomics</li> <li>■ BUS 274 Brand Management</li> <li>■ BUS 256 Market Research Methods</li> <li>■ BUS 235T Corporate Social Responsibility</li> <li>■ <b>Academic Travel</b></li> <li>■ Modern Language 201</li> </ul>
YEAR 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ BUS 397 Data Mining (Business Intelligence)</li> <li>■ BUS ELEC (Choose a BUS elective)</li> <li>■ BUS 251 Sustainable Luxury Management</li> <li>■ Modern Language 300</li> <li>■ Academic Travel (Choose a class)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ BUS 353 Strategic Management Theory</li> <li>■ BUS 341 Diversity Management</li> <li>■ SR – Social Responsibility ELEC (Choose a class)</li> <li>■ WTG 200 Advanced Academic Writing: Ethics at Work</li> <li>■ Academic Travel (Choose a class)</li> </ul>
YEAR 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ BUS 410W Organizational Behavior, writing intensive</li> <li>■ BUS ELEC (Choose a BUS elective)</li> <li>■ ICC - Intercultural Competencies ELEC (Choose a class)</li> <li>■ BUS 138 Brand Storytelling</li> <li>■ <b>Academic Travel</b> (Choose a class)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ BUS 455W Advanced Topics in Management, writing intensive</li> <li>■ BUS ELEC (Choose a BUS elective)</li> <li>■ ICC - Intercultural Competencies (Choose a class)</li> <li>■ BUS ELEC (Choose a BUS elective)</li> <li>■ Academic <b>Travel</b> (Choose a class)</li> </ul>

### SAMPLE THREE-YEAR COURSE SCHEDULE

Political Science Awarded 30 US credits from International Baccalaureate (IB Diploma)

	FALL SEMESTER	SPRING SEMESTER
YEAR 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ First Year Seminar in POL</li> <li>■ POL 100 Introduction to Political Science</li> <li>■ POL 112 Markets, Policy and Administration</li> <li>■ Academic Travel class POL</li> <li>■ MAT 181 Math for Everybody</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ HIS 101 Western Civilization II: Modern/ HIS 105 Global History II: Globalization, the Emergence of the Modern State, and Coping with Change</li> <li>■ WTG 150 Academic Writing: Crossing Borders</li> <li>■ MAT 182 Statistics For Everybody</li> <li>■ Academic Travel class POL</li> <li>■ Modern Language 100</li> </ul>
YEAR 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ POL 101 Introduction to International Relations</li> <li>■ POL 300 Comparative Politics</li> <li>■ ICC Course</li> <li>■ Academic Travel class POL</li> <li>■ Modern Language 101</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ POL 301 Theories of International Relations</li> <li>■ POL 302 Political Philosophy</li> <li>■ Academic Travel class POL or otherwise</li> <li>■ Modern Language 200</li> <li>■ W Course (Choose a writing intensive class)</li> </ul>
YEAR 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ POL 303 Key Concepts in Political Economy</li> <li>■ POL Elective</li> <li>■ POL 497 (W) Readings and Methods in Political Science and International Relations, writing intensive</li> <li>■ Modern Language 201</li> <li>■ Academic Travel class POL or otherwise</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ POL 495 Senior Research Project: Group Based Senior Research Project</li> <li>■ Interdisciplinary elective</li> <li>■ Academic Travel class POL or otherwise</li> <li>■ POL elective</li> <li>■ Modern Language 300</li> </ul>

# UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

At Franklin Switzerland, our U.S.-inspired liberal arts approach lets you earn a Bachelor's degree in 20 different majors.

Our flexible academic plans give you the freedom to combine majors, pursue double majors, or explore minors, working closely with your advisor to create a path that reflects your passions and goals.

Still undecided? No problem! You have until the second semester of your second year to explore and choose the major that's the perfect fit for you!

## MAJORS

Undergraduate students at Franklin can choose to follow one of the different major fields of study, spanning a wide range of disciplines.

### BACHELORS OF SCIENCE

- Environmental Science
- Health Sciences

### BACHELORS OF ARTS

- Art Histories, Ecologies, Industries
  - Art Histories track
  - Art Ecologies track
  - Art Industries track
- Communication and Media Studies
- Comparative Literary and Cultural Studies
- Economics
- Environmental Studies
- Fashion Studies
- Finance
- French Studies
- History
- International Management
- International Marketing Management
- International Relations
- Italian Studies
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Social Justice and Sustainability
  - 3+1 option available to combine with the MAST
- Visual Communication Arts



## COMBINED MAJORS

Students may also combine two of the following fields of study into a combined major:

- Art Histories, Ecologies, Industries
- Communication and Media Studies
- Comparative Literary and Cultural Studies
- Economics
- Environmental Science
- French Studies
- History
- Italian Studies
- Management
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Visual Communication Arts

## MINORS

In addition to a major field of study, students may select courses within one discipline to form a minor.

- Art Histories, Ecologies, Industries
- Chemistry
- Communication and Media Studies
- Comparative Literary and Cultural Studies
- Economics
- Environmental Science
- Film Studies
- Finance
- French Studies
- Gender Studies
- Germanic Studies
- History
- International Relations
- Italian Studies
- Legal Studies
- Management
- Marketing
- Political Science
- Postcolonial Studies
- Psychology
- Social Justice and Sustainability
  - Environmental Sustainability track
  - Economic and Political Sustainability track
  - Cultural Sustainability track
- Studio Art
- Sustainable Luxury Management



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## BUILD YOUR FUTURE ON A STRONG FOUNDATION

Before choosing a major, all Franklin students complete core courses that build international awareness, intercultural skills, and academic confidence.

### THE CORE CURRICULUM (66 CREDITS) INCLUDE

#### First Year Seminar

Helps students transition to university life through an advisor-led course rooted in Franklin's culture and the Swiss community.

#### Academic Travel

Three-credit courses that connect classroom learning with real-world experiences around the world.

#### Academic Writing

Develops strong English writing skills that support success across all subjects.



#### Global Responsibility

Courses that explore intercultural understanding, global engagement, and social responsibility.

#### Modern Languages

French, German, or Italian classes that strengthen language skills and support integration into the local community.

## BACHELORS OF SCIENCE



### ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

Explore the natural world and the challenges it faces, from local ecosystems to global environmental issues. Environmental Science at Franklin equips you to understand, investigate, and address pressing environmental problems through science, fieldwork, and real-world experience.



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### HEALTH SCIENCES

Designed for students who are fascinated by biology, passionate about people, and driven by purpose, this major connects rigorous science with the human side of health.



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## BACHELORS OF ARTS



### ART HISTORIES, ECOLOGIES, INDUSTRIES

Explore how art shapes, and is shaped by, the world around us. The Art Histories, Ecologies, Industries major at Franklin examines the social, ecological, and industrial contexts of artistic practice while preparing students for careers in the creative and cultural sectors.



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### COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA STUDIES

Explore how media and communication shape our world. Communication and Media Studies at Franklin empowers you to analyze, create, and engage with media across cultures, platforms, and professions.

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### COMPARATIVE LITERARY AND CULTURAL STUDIES

Explore how cultural phenomena develop in response to historical, social, and economic forces, viewing culture as a constantly evolving process that requires ongoing interpretation, negotiation, and creativity.



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**ECONOMICS**

Understand the forces that shape our world's economies. Economics at Franklin combines analytical rigor with a global, interdisciplinary perspective, preparing you to



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**FINANCE**

Develop the skills to navigate today's fast-paced financial world. Finance at Franklin blends theory, practice, and experiential learning to prepare you for careers in banking, business, and global markets.



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**ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

Examine today's environmental challenges from multiple perspectives. Environmental Studies at Franklin combines science, social sciences, and the humanities to help you understand and address complex ecological and societal issues.

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**FRENCH STUDIES**

French Studies immerses you in the language, literature, and culture of the Francophone world. The major develops advanced skills in speaking, reading, and writing French while exploring the history, creativity, and diversity of French-speaking societies.

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**FASHION STUDIES**

Explore fashion as a global cultural, social, and creative force. Fashion Studies at Franklin blends history, communication, management, and visual arts to help you understand and shape the fashion world of today and tomorrow.



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**HISTORY**

Explore the events, ideas, and movements that have shaped human societies across time. History at Franklin equips you to analyze change, understand the present, and make informed decisions about the future.



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### INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT

Prepare to lead in a connected world. International Management at Franklin equips you with the skills, knowledge, and cross-cultural experience needed to tackle



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### ITALIAN STUDIES

Immerse yourself in the language, culture, and creativity of Italy. The Italian Studies major at Franklin cultivates global citizens who communicate with confidence, think critically, and engage meaningfully across culture: skills that open doors in any field.



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### INTERNATIONAL MARKETING MANAGEMENT

Shape the future of global business by understanding consumers, markets, and strategy. International Marketing Management at Franklin prepares you to create innovative, sustainable solutions that drive impact across industries.

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### POLITICAL SCIENCE

Examine how power shapes societies, governments, and global change. The Political Science major equips students with the tools to analyze political systems, policies, and behavior, developing the critical insight needed to lead,

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### INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Explore the forces that shape our interconnected world. The International Relations major at Franklin invites you to study global politics, culture, and economics while developing the analytical and cross-cultural skills essential for leadership in diplomacy, business, law, and beyond.



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### PSYCHOLOGY

Explore how humans think, feel, and behave through the lens of science and culture. Psychology at Franklin invites you to investigate the mind in context, understanding how biology, environment, and experience shape who we are as individuals and societies.



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**SOCIAL JUSTICE AND SUSTAINABILITY**

Shape a more just and sustainable future. Franklin's Social Justice and Sustainability major empowers you to explore the interconnected challenges of equity, environment, and global change through an interdisciplinary and hands-on approach.



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**VISUAL COMMUNICATION ARTS**

Turn creativity into impact. Franklin's Visual Communication Arts major empowers students to explore fine arts, design, illustration, photography, and media while developing critical thinking and a deep understanding of visual culture.

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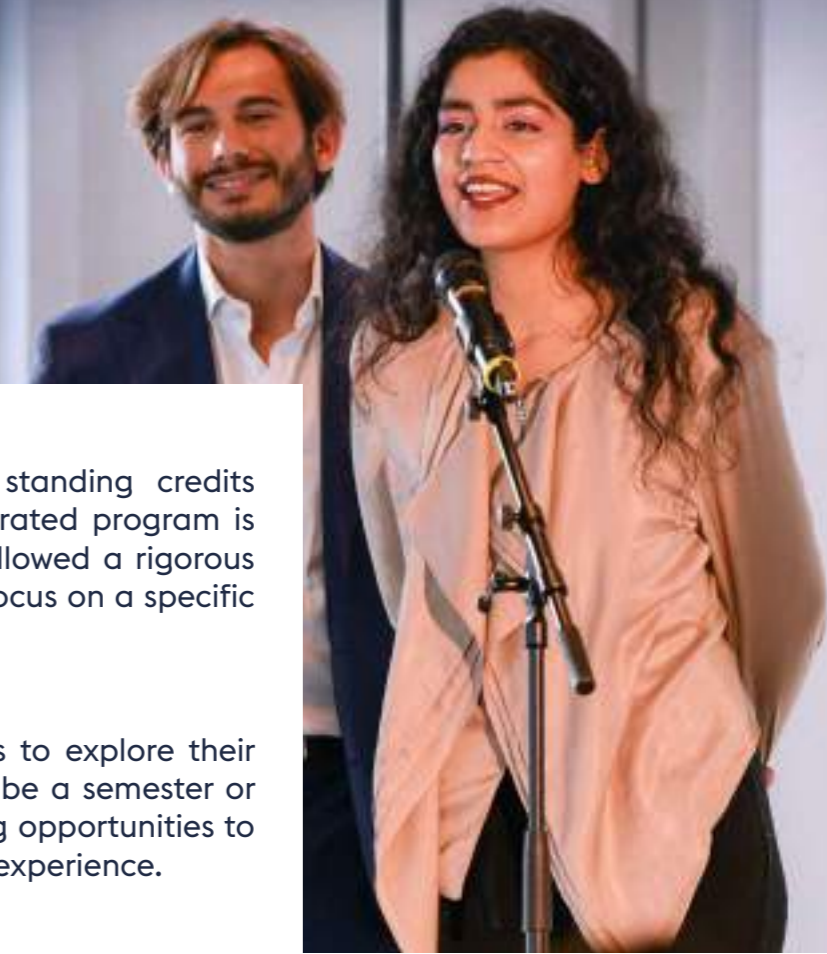
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**THE BACHELOR OF ARTS  
AND BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
DEGREES REQUIRE A  
MINIMUM OF**

**120  
CREDIT  
HOURS**

# OTHER PROGRAMS



**3-YEAR DEGREE**

Designed for students with advanced standing credits (equivalent to 30 US credits), this accelerated program is ideal for dedicated learners who have followed a rigorous high school curriculum and are ready to focus on a specific major from the start.

**GAP YEAR PROGRAM**

A gap year allows high school graduates to explore their interests before starting university. It can be a semester or full year of experiential learning, providing opportunities to gain practical, professional, and personal experience.

**FOUNDATION YEAR**

For students transitioning to an English-language academic program or needing additional academic support, this program strengthens skills in academic writing and study habits while providing guided support for a smooth university transition.

**HONORS PROGRAM**

For talented and highly motivated students, the Honors Program combines targeted tutorials with an interdisciplinary seminar series, fostering advanced research skills and cross-disciplinary collaboration with faculty and peers.

**THE GLOBAL BA / FRANKLIN-EMERSON ASSOCIATE DEGREE**

In partnership with Emerson College, this program allows students to earn both an associate's degree from Franklin and a bachelor's degree from Emerson. Students spend two years in Lugano and two years in Boston, benefiting from the strengths and expertise of both institutions. Programs available in International & Political Communication and Business of Creative Enterprises.

**Ph.D. IN POLITICAL SCIENCE**

The Ph.D. in Political Science at Franklin Switzerland is a four-year, full-time doctoral program designed to train future scholars in rigorous, original, and impactful research. Rooted in Franklin's interdisciplinary liberal arts ethos and international academic community, this structured program includes coursework, teaching experience, and the writing and public defense of a doctoral thesis.

GRADUATE PROGRAM

# MASTER OF ARTS IN SUSTAINABILITY AND TRANSFORMATION (MAST)

## IS MORE THAN A DEGREE IT'S A LAUNCHPAD FOR CHANGEMAKERS

MAST is a one-year, three-semester program totaling 45 credits (90 ECTS), with an optional fourth semester dedicated to a research thesis, extending the program to 120 ECTS. Through interdisciplinary coursework, real-world projects, and immersive retreats in Zurich and Geneva, the program equips students with the skills and insights needed to navigate complexity and shape the future, from policy and education to business and community leadership.



**LEARN MORE AND APPLY NOW**



### WHY CHOOSE MAST?

**Inter- and Transdisciplinary  
by Design**

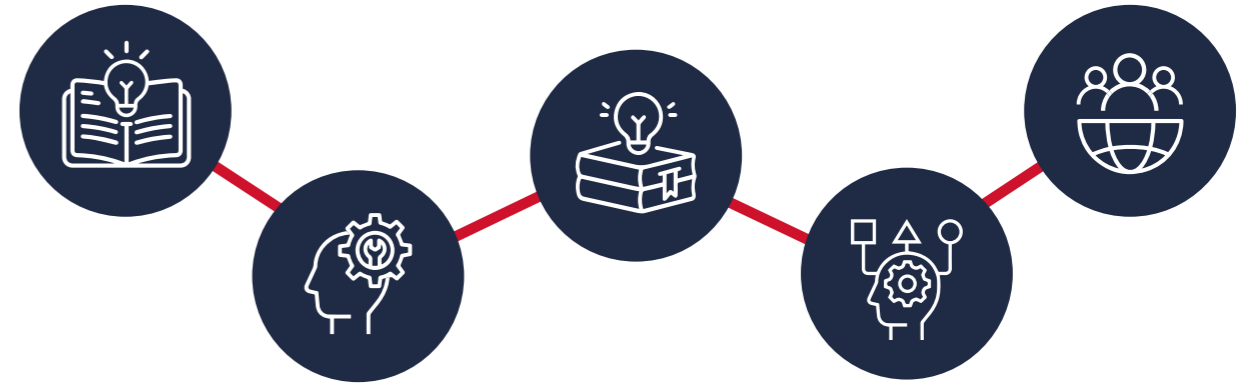
Tackle complex problems from multiple perspectives

**Immersive, Experiential  
Learning**

Retreats and real-world projects enhance understanding

**Community-Engaged  
and Future-Oriented**

Make an impact while preparing for leadership



**Rooted in Liberal Arts  
and Critical Thinking**

Sharpen your analytical and reflective skills

**Guided by the SDGs  
and IDGs**

Connect your work to global priorities

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



**DEGREE**  
Master of Arts (MA)



**LOCATION**  
Lugano, Switzerland, with retreats in Zurich & Geneva



**FINAL PROJECT**  
Collaborate on sustainability initiatives with external partners



**DURATION**  
12 months / 3 semesters (August–August) + optional 4th research semester



**MODE OF STUDY**  
Full-time, in-person, interdisciplinary, and experiential



**CREDITS**  
45 / 90 ECTS (or 60 / 120 ECTS with optional thesis)

# PRE-COLLEGE SUMMER PROGRAM

The **credit-bearing pre-college summer courses** at Franklin Switzerland are addressed to motivated **high school students (aged 15–18)** that want to immerse themselves in transformative summer learning experiences on our international campus in Lugano. Designed to **spark curiosity, build global awareness, and develop university-level skills**, our Pre-College program combine academic rigor with hands-on exploration and collaborative learning.

Students can choose from **different dynamic course options** designed to address today's most pressing global challenges and creative practices. Whether you are passionate about building a more sustainable world or inspired by art as a powerful tool for connection and community, each course offers the opportunity to **earn 3 university credits**, engage with expert faculty, and connect with peers from around the globe. All while experiencing life as a Franklin student.



-  Enjoy first-class teaching
-  Learn alongside students from around the world in a small class environment
-  Enhance your resumé
-  Strengthen essential skills for your university career
-  Earn three university credits

LEARN MORE  
ABOUT THE  
PRE-COLLEGE  
PROGRAM



# UNDERGRADUATE SUMMER PROGRAM

Spend your summer in Lugano, where lakes, mountains, and Mediterranean flair meet global learning.

Every summer, Franklin Switzerland welcomes undergraduate students for an unforgettable academic and cultural experience.

Choose between **4-week sessions**, to build new skills, broaden your academic horizons, and earn extra credits, and **2-week interme and intensive sessions** to dive into a focused, immersive experience designed to bring your studies to life.

Explore Moroccan traditions or study politics in Botswana through a **one-month Academic Travel course**. Learn a new language or strengthen your economics skills to meet requirements and enrich your academic journey.



## WHY SUMMER AT FRANKLIN?

-  A stunning Swiss setting surrounded by water sports, hiking, and culture
-  Small classes and personalized attention
-  A chance to explore Europe between sessions
-  An opportunity to accelerate—or enrich—your academic journey



MAKE YOUR SUMMER  
UNFORGETTABLE



# ACADEMIC RESOURCES

Your path toward a degree and a career may take unexpected turns, and challenges are part of the journey. At Franklin Switzerland, our **academic support services** provide guidance and tools to help you develop your interests, strengthen your skills, and make steady progress toward academic and professional success.



## FRANKLIN LIBRARIES

The **David R. Grace Library** and **Fowler Learning Commons** house approximately 36,000 volumes, a selection of print periodicals, and a variety of multimedia resources, offering a rich environment for research, study, and exploration.



## THE WRITING AND LEARNING CENTER (WLC)

Franklin's **Writing and Learning Center** is the one-stop hub for academic support to the Franklin community at large. With a holistic, nondirective approach, the center helps students develop writing, language, and learning skills across the curriculum. Services include tutoring, leadership opportunities, and guidance on publishing projects.



## ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

Franklin Switzerland is committed to providing reasonable accommodations for students with documented disabilities, including learning differences. Our small, supportive community allows for **individualized support** through qualified staff, trained mentors, and peer tutors.



## ACADEMIC ADVISING

From your first days on campus, you'll be paired with an **academic advisor** to guide your course selection and help you design a program that aligns with your interests and career goals. Advisors meet with students each semester, providing support throughout your entire Franklin journey.

**Explore our resources:** Learn more about the full range of services available to the Franklin community on our website.



# CAREER READINESS

At Franklin, career readiness is a top priority and a key pillar of our strategic plan—preparing students not just for their first job, but for lifelong success. Through **personalized guidance, hands-on experience, and global connections**, Franklin empowers students to build the confidence and skills to thrive in any path they choose. From resume and CV reviews to one-on-one career coaching and mock interviews, our tailored support ensures students are ready for every step of their professional journey.

## YOUR PATH TO PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

Franklin's Career Services team supports students at every stage of their journey with:

- Individual career advising and coaching
- Resume/CV development and mock interviews
- Internship and job search strategies
- Graduate school preparation
- Career assessments and workshops on key professional skills
- Negotiation and networking training

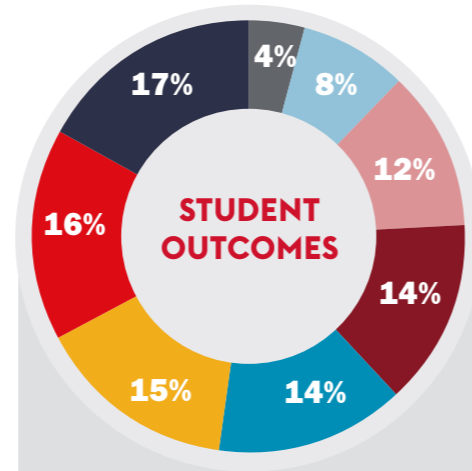
## POWERED BY ALUMNI CONNECTIONS

Our global alumni network is an invaluable resource for students. Through mentorship programs, informational interviews, and career events, Franklin alumni share real-world insights and open doors to opportunities across industries and continents.

At Franklin, you don't just get ready for your future: you are prepared to lead it.

## CAREER OUTCOMES

Travel Writer, Journalist, Filmmaker, Screenwriter, C Level Executive, Creative Agency Founder, NGO Founder, International Civil Servant, Private Banker, Diplomat, Global Health Specialist, Lawyer, Product Manager, School Administrator, Board Member, Trading Manager, Consultant, and many more.



- Technology
- Finance
- Service
- Non-Profit Organizations
- Arts and Entertainment
- Education
- Governmental Organizations
- Industry and Production



## CAREER-READY GRADUATES

75% secure full-time employment within 6 months of graduating; 95% within 12 months.



# ALUMNI CONNECTIONS

From Argentina to Australia and everywhere in between, Franklin alumni can be found in more than 100 countries around the world. A Franklin education prepares you for an international career in a way that no other university does. Complementing our core curriculum with careers-focused courses, guest lectures and co-curricular activities helps you thrive in the professional world.

The versatility of Franklin graduates enables them to find employment in a wide variety of sectors. Over a third of Franklin graduates go on to Master's or Ph.D programs in globally renowned universities.



- American University
- Antioch University
- Boston University School of Law
- Brandeis University
- California Institute of the Arts
- Cardozo School of Law
- Case Western Reserve University Law School
- Centre for Alternative Technology
- Chicago-Kent College of Law
- Columbia University
- CUNY Graduate School for Biological Sciences
- DePaul University
- Drew University
- Erasmus University Rotterdam
- European School of Management and Technology
- Georgetown University
- Griffith University
- Harvard School of Public Health
- HEC Paris
- Hult International Business School

- John's Hopkins University
- Lehigh University
- Liverpool Hope University
- London School of Economics
- McGill University
- Middlebury Institute of International Studies
- Montana State University
- Monterey institute of international studies
- Northern Arizona University
- Nuova Accademia di Belle Arte, Milan
- Princeton University
- San Diego State University
- Sorbonne Business School
- Stanford University
- State University of New York, Maritime College
- Steinbeis University
- The New School for Social Research
- Thunderbird School of International Management
- UNC Chapel Hill
- Universidade Católica Portuguesa

- Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore
- Universität Kassel
- Université du Luxembourg
- University Center of the Westfjords (Iceland)
- University of Edinburgh
- University of Geneva
- University of London School of Oriental and African Studies
- University of Memphis
- University of Minnesota
- University of Northern British Columbia
- University of Oxford
- University of Phoenix
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of Pittsburgh, School of Law
- University of Saarland
- University of Southern California
- University of Vermont
- Villanova University
- Webster University Vienna



## CAREER DESTINATIONS

- Deloitte
- UBS
- Amazon
- HSBC
- Microsoft
- Google
- Barclays
- Bloomberg
- Ernst & Young
- IBM
- Allianz
- Nestle
- Wells Fargo
- The World Bank
- Starbucks
- Boston Consulting Group
- Salesforce

STUDENT



“From collaborating with peers from every corner of the world to exploring new ideas in a supportive environment, Franklin has been a place where global immersion, personal growth, and creativity naturally come together.”

**DENZEL LOUIS, CLASS OF '26,**  
FINANCE  
USA

FACULTY



Why study political science at Franklin? I would say because the professors are doing research on contemporary global challenges that are very salient and relevant nowadays. So we're doing research on migration, nationalism, economic inequality, the global order and therefore we can offer really personal insights and scientific insights that informs our teaching.

**ELISA VOLPI,**  
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, COMPARATIVE POLITICS  
ITALY

“Franklin is full of opportunities that helped me grow, both personally and academically. The open, supportive, and at times challenging environment pushed me to go beyond my comfort zone. I've discovered new strengths, built confidence, and developed skills I'll carry with me for life.”

**QIWEN LIN '26,**  
POLITICAL SCIENCE AND ECONOMICS  
CHINA

STUDENT



FACULTY



We are a small campus community, and that means there's a strong sense of interaction between students, faculty, and staff — and among students themselves. You can really see students making an impact on campus through clubs and initiatives, which reinforces the sense of belonging and active participation. It truly feels like a home.

**FINTAN HOEY,**  
ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR STUDENT SUCCESS,  
PROFESSOR OF HISTORY  
IRELAND

STUDENT



“Being part of such an international community has been such an enriching experience. Every day I get the opportunity to learn not just from professors, but also from my peers who bring different perspectives from all over the world.”

**PERUIN AL-HAIANY '26,**  
INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT  
SWITZERLAND

“No joke, Franklin changed my life. The education both in and outside of class, learning other languages and being fully outside of my comfort zone made me a different, better person. I was forever changed by my years at Franklin and am forever grateful for the experience.”

**ELLIOTT TOMAENO '08,**  
INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS  
USA

ALUM



PARENTS



“Franklin's liberal arts approach and experiential learning make all the difference. Students aren't just numbers here — professors know them by name. With such a close student-to-faculty ratio, learning is fast, personal, and deeply effective.”

**NESTOR AND MARILU MIRABAL,**  
USA

ALUM



“The international and diverse community at Franklin was a huge plus - it made me feel at home.”

**GIULIA CASTIGLIONI '22,**  
INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT MAJOR  
PSYCHOLOGY MINOR  
SWITZERLAND

“Franklin brings together people from Asia, South America, the Middle East, and beyond — fostering perspectives we all need to prepare the next generation of leaders. This is not only a place to learn, but to experience the world through diversity, travel, and community. Franklin teaches, but it also coaches students to become globally effective in an increasingly connected world.”

**PATRICK AND ADRIANA GROSS,**  
USA

PARENTS



“My academic journey was more than learning—it was transformation. It shaped me into a global citizen, teaching me to think critically, embrace cultures, and turn ideas into action. I was never just a number, but a person guided through growth by a vibrant ecosystem of people, ideas, and opportunities that continues to inspire me with gratitude.”

**LETIZIA STEFANI '22**  
MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST  
ITALY

ALUM





# LIVING AT FRANKLIN

## LIVE WHERE YOU LEARN

Living on campus is a core part of the Franklin experience. It connects you with friends, supports your growth, and helps you feel at home from the moment you arrive. Franklin has six residence halls, each with trained Resident Assistants who help build a safe, supportive, and welcoming community.

## A CAMPUS THAT FEELS LIKE HOME

All new students (not living with parents or guardians) live on campus, and about 88% of our students choose to stay in university housing each semester. Your residence hall is your first step toward independence. Cook in community kitchens or in apartments with kitchenettes, and choose from triple, double, single, or suite-style housing options. Most bathrooms are shared with just one or two peers.

Franklin residences create a comfortable and personal space to allow for studying, relaxing, and spending time with friends.



## EAT WELL, EVERY DAY

Franklin offers flexible meal plans for dining at the Grotto and North Campus Dining Hall, both serving fresh, healthy, and delicious options—daily menus plus à la carte choices. Your campus home is more than a place to stay. It's where you will live, learn, and experience life in vibrant, cross-cultural Lugano.



**LEARN MORE  
ABOUT OUR  
RESIDENCE HALLS**

# LIVING ON CAMPUS

Franklin Switzerland offers a vibrant, international campus where learning extends far beyond the classroom. With students from over **50 nationalities**, small, interactive classes, and a dynamic mix of academic rigor and global community life, Franklin provides an inspiring setting for personal and intellectual growth. From lively residence halls to panoramic study spots and a calendar full of cultural events, the Franklin campus is truly where the world meets to learn.

## QUICK FACTS



**3** CAMPUSES



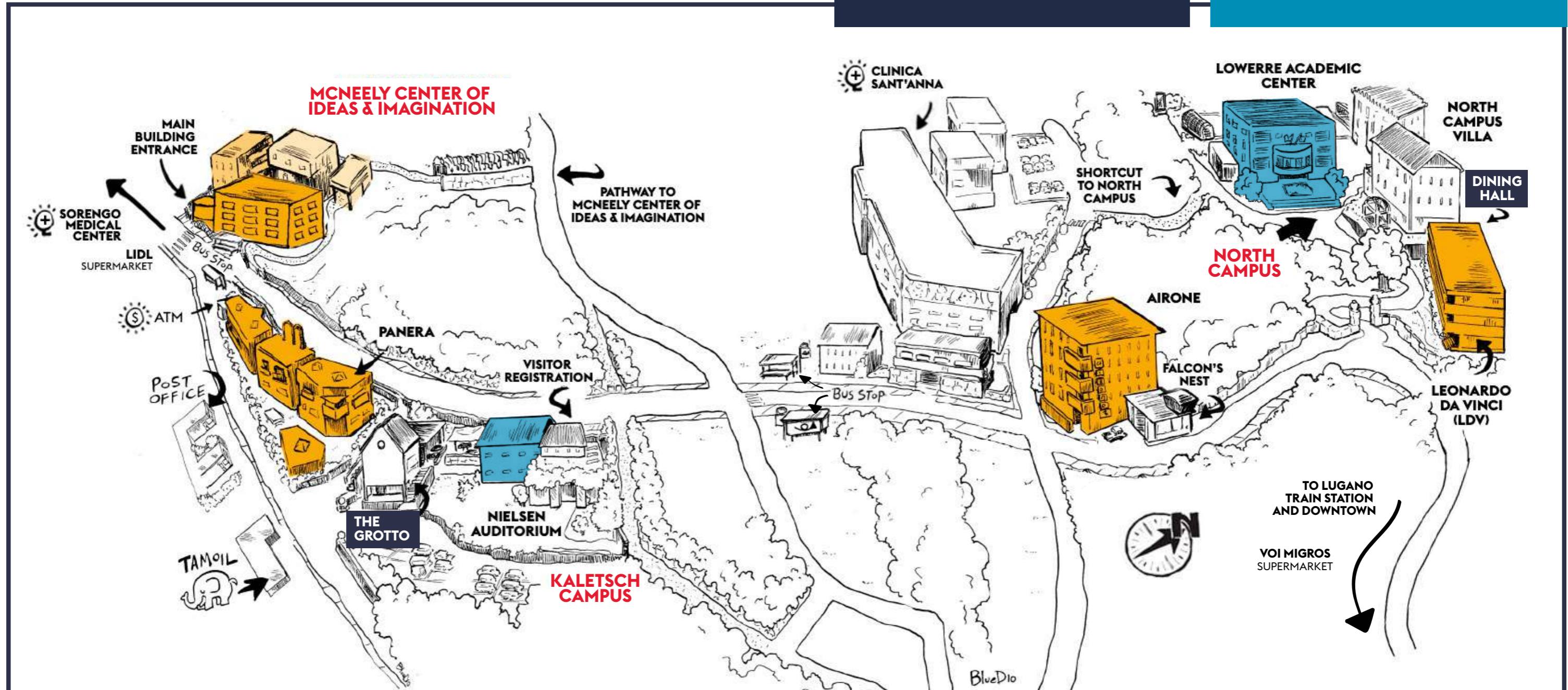
**6** RESIDENCES



**2** DINING HALLS



**12** CLASSROOMS





# STUDENT LIFE

Academic excellence is just the beginning. At Franklin, student life is vibrant, diverse, and full of opportunity — from clubs and cultural events to sports, trips, and traditions that make every day unforgettable. You will be part of a **tight-knit international community** where friendships cross borders and learning happens everywhere — in class, on campus, and throughout the beautiful city of Lugano.

With dozens of **student-led clubs**, inclusive spaces, and faculty and staff who know you by name, Franklin is a community that feels like home.

**Franklin Switzerland offers an active and welcoming student life, bringing together students from diverse cultures to share experiences and build connections. The campus has plenty of communal spaces, perfect for socializing, enjoying a meal with friends, or catching up on reading and studying.**

Franklin Switzerland offers a vibrant and inclusive student life, fostering a close-knit community of diverse cultures and shared experiences.



## GET A GLIMPSE INTO FRANKLIN'S CLUBS

- Alpine Club
- Arab Club
- Christian Fellowship
- Franklin Business and Finance Club
- Franklin Forum
- Latin American Club
- Naman'ny Boky Mamiko
- Senior Class Executive Board
- Student Government Association (SGA)
- United in Diversity



# MOVE, PLAY, THRIVE

At Franklin Switzerland, wellness and adventure are part of the experience. We offer spaces to move, recharge, and connect—on campus and across Switzerland.

Join intramural sports like basketball, volleyball, futsal, or archery, or jump into pick-up games with friends. Two on-campus fitness centers make it easy to stay active between classes.



## FACILITIES THAT SUPPORT YOUR LIFESTYLE



### Tone Fitness Center (TFC)

State-of-the-art equipment to help you train, stay fit, or unwind.



### Tone Athletic Center (TAC)

Versatile indoor facility for sports, training, and group activities.



### Outdoor Athletic Field

For team sports, open-air training, and events, perfect when you want fresh air with your workout.



## SWITZERLAND IS YOUR PLAYGROUND

From hiking and biking to paragliding, paddleboarding on Lake Lugano, and skiing in the Alps, every season brings new ways to explore.

Our offerings are beginner-friendly and inclusive, encouraging students of all levels to try something new, build community, and discover passions that last long after Franklin.



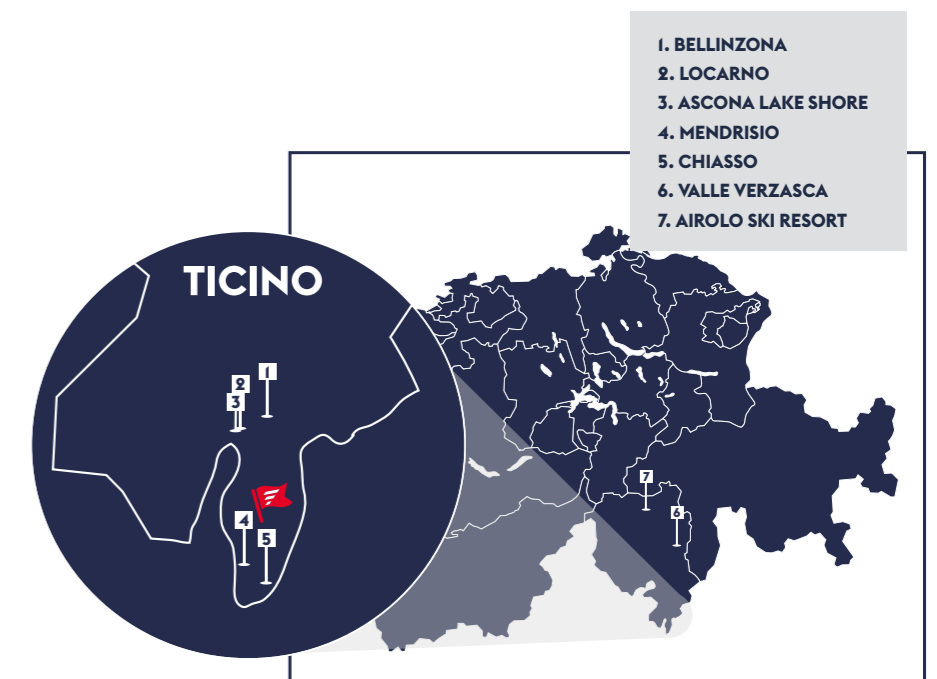


LUGANO is a perfect balance of Swiss-Italian culture: festivals, food, and beautiful architecture!



## LUGANO: YOUR NEW SWISS HOME

Framed by mountains and set on the stunning Lake Lugano, this vibrant Swiss-Italian city is the perfect home for the Franklin experience. **Safe, sophisticated, and full of energy**, Lugano blends European culture with small-town charm — offering endless opportunities for adventure, from lakeside walks to world-class hiking and cycling routes just minutes from campus.



1. BELLINZONA
2. LOCARNO
3. ASCONA LAKE SHORE
4. MENDRISIO
5. CHIASSO
6. VALLE VERZASCA
7. AIROLO SKI RESORT

# TUITION & FEES

The cost of attendance at Franklin University for a first-year undergraduate student or transfer student has two main factors.

**DIRECT COSTS\***: Tuition, housing, meals and health insurance.

**INDIRECT COSTS**: Books, materials, travel, and personal expenses.

\*Some special conditions apply to students from partner institutions.

Please contact admissions@fus.edu for details.

## SWISS/EU/EEA TOTAL AVERAGE COST OF ATTENDANCE

The Tuition and Fees shown below are in Swiss Francs (CHF) for **Swiss citizens or nationals of an EU/EEA member state.**

TOTAL AVERAGE COST OF ATTENDANCE	AVERAGE DIRECT COSTS*	AVERAGE INDIRECT COSTS	TOTAL
First Semester	CHF 22,650	+ CHF 2,150	= CHF 24,800
Second Semester	CHF 22,150	+ CHF 2,150	= CHF 24,300

## US/CANADA TOTAL AVERAGE COST OF ATTENDANCE

The Tuition and Fees shown below are in US dollars (USD) for **US citizens or permanent residents and to Canadian citizens.**

TOTAL AVERAGE COST OF ATTENDANCE	AVERAGE DIRECT COSTS*	AVERAGE INDIRECT COSTS	TOTAL
First Semester	\$35,105	+ \$2,700	= \$37,805
Second Semester	\$34,555	+ \$2,700	= \$37,255

## INTERNATIONAL TOTAL AVERAGE COST OF ATTENDANCE

The Tuition and Fees shown below are in Swiss Francs (CHF) for students who are **NOT CITIZENS OF SWITZERLAND, THE US, OR AN EU COUNTRY.**

TOTAL AVERAGE COST OF ATTENDANCE	AVERAGE DIRECT COSTS*	AVERAGE INDIRECT COSTS	TOTAL
First Semester	CHF 36,435	+ CHF 2,650	= CHF 39,085
Second Semester	CHF 35,935	+ CHF 2,650	= CHF 38,585



**LEARN MORE ON TUITION & FEES**

# ADMISSIONS MADE SIMPLE

Franklin Switzerland follows typical U.S. admission procedures. Here's what you will need to submit:

- 1 **Online Application**  
Apply online through our website or Common App.
- 2 **Academic Transcripts**  
Submit your official high school transcripts.
- 3 **Personal Statement**  
Share what motivates you, the experiences that have shaped you, and the goals you hope to achieve.
- 4 **Recommendation Letter**  
Provide one letter from individuals who can speak to your academic strengths and/or extracurricular involvement.
- 5 **English Proficiency (if required)**  
If your studies were not in English, submit a TOEFL, IELTS, or equivalent scores.
- 6 **Interview**  
A conversation for us to learn more about your ambitions, interest, and what drives you—so we can help design a path for your success at Franklin.
- 7 **WELCOME TO FRANKLIN**

## DEADLINES

### FALL SEMESTER

Priority Application  
Deadline: December 1

Regular Admissions  
Deadline: June 30

### SPRING SEMESTER

Priority Application  
Deadline: November 1

Regular Admissions  
Deadline: November 15





# LEARN MORE ABOUT FRANKLIN!

Our counselors travel around the world, attending **college fairs and events**, giving you plenty of opportunities to meet them in person.

Find out where you can connect with them next!

CHECK OUT  
UPCOMING EVENTS



# VIRTUAL INFORMATION SESSIONS

Our virtual information sessions are designed to provide detailed insights for prospective students and families, from life on campus to the enrollment process.

In addition to our counselors, students, faculty, and alumni also join these sessions to share their perspectives and experiences. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and get answers directly.

FIND THE NEXT  
AVAILABLE SESSION



# MEET WITH A COUNSELOR

Our Admissions Team is here to support you as you explore your future at Franklin. Schedule a one-to-one conversation with a counselor and receive personalized answers to your questions. Simply select a time that works best for you from the available slots.

If none of the available time slots work for you, please email us at [admissions@fus.edu](mailto:admissions@fus.edu), and we will be happy to arrange an alternative date and time that suits your needs.

BOOK A  
MEETING



# MAKE FRANKLIN POSSIBLE

## SCHOLARSHIP AND AID

As an independent international university, Franklin offers **partial scholarships based on academic merit and financial need**. Students who hold U.S. citizenship may also apply for **federal and private loans**.

Together, we work with you to build a personalized financial aid package and guide you through every available option to help make your education affordable.

### SCHOLARSHIPS THAT REWARD POTENTIAL

Our competitive scholarship programs provide the support top students need to thrive. All undergraduate applicants are automatically considered for merit awards during the admissions process.

Priority is given to applications submitted by December 1.

For more information on merit aid eligibility, contact the Office of Admissions at [admissions@fus.edu](mailto:admissions@fus.edu).

## SCHOLARSHIP WITHOUT BORDERS

Franklin Switzerland **Scholarships Without Borders** (SWB) program is designed specifically to provide university-level education opportunities for **refugees**, offering select qualified students who have been granted refugee status in Switzerland the opportunity to embark on studies leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree at Franklin.



## TALK TO OUR STUDENTS

One platform to scale meaningful connection

Curious about student life at Franklin? With **Unibuddy** you can chat directly with our students and staff. Ask questions, hear authentic experiences, and get the insights you need to picture your future at Franklin.



 UNIBUDDY



LEARN MORE



CHAT  
WITH US

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