University undergraduate school (EU1C)

The EU1C will have a mission to welcome and guide, taking into account any remediation needs, and to train recent baccalaureate holders in a specific offer that is coordinated with the PFR Bachelor’s programmes, potentially enabling students to cross over to another programme during the three years of the EU1C course. Baccalaureate holders enrolled in the EU1C in their first year can either join, at different stages, the PFR’s Bachelor’s programmes or continue their degree programmes within the EU1C, depending on the training and degree levels available in each PFR.

The EU1C courses will offer modular, transversal and multidisciplinary degrees and training paths, but they will also propose specialised programmes allowing students to pursue their studies in connection with local and national study programmes. All Bachelor’s degree courses will be run by faculty members, who will remain assigned to the PFRs. This means
that the pedagogical teams retain the full initiative for the content, organisation and evaluation of the Bachelor’s courses.

The EU1C will be a structure within the Target University. It will be headed by a director, appointed by the president of the Target University, a member of the COMEX, who will have specific administrative authority. He will lead a pedagogical council whose members will be appointed by the PFR. This pedagogical council can propose transverse pedagogical projects and undertake innovative actions in collaboration with the PFRs and external partners. The director will be assisted by deputy directors, one of whom will be based on the Saint-Étienne campus. The students concerned will be enrolled directly in the EU1C.

The EU1C may have its diplomas accredited by the supervisory authority under Article 8 of the Ordinance of 12 December 2018.

The PFRs will contribute to the operations and smooth running of the EU1C’s missions and activities through the involvement of their faculty members. They will determine the contribution of these staff members, which will then be included globally in the PFRs’ COMs. The EU1C’s study programmes will be built by pedagogical teams composed of representatives from the PFRs and will be reinforced from 2021.

The EU1C’s board will comprise a maximum of 40 members, from the following categories:

- 30% to 40% faculty members and equivalent, elected from the PFRs;
- 30% to 40% students, elected from the EU1C;
- 10% to 15% BIATSS staff;
- 10% to 15% outside members; and
- Representatives from the PFR’s governance structure and potentially from other PFRs.

This board will have the role of Education and University Life Commission (Commission de la Formation et de la Vie Universitaire, CFVU) at the EU1C level. Knowledge-testing methods will be proposed by the PFRs and approved by the EU1C board.

Constructing the Bachelor’s cycle as part of the future accreditation process (2022-2025) will help to specify the training courses that will be provided by the EU1C and those that will be directly affiliated to a PFR.

**Coordination committee for the undergraduate programme**

The coordination committee for the undergraduate programme will be led by the director of the EU1C. This will enable the Target University to create a coherent offering of training courses at Bac + 3 level, whether at the EST, the EU1C or in the PFRs. The committee will be responsible for working on the necessary transition points between courses as well as addressing student orientation and success mechanisms at the overall institution level.