

Franco-German University (FGU)

Academic excellence supporting graduate employability

The FGU headquarters in Saarbrücken

100 cities hosting one or more FGU courses

- **Presentation**

An institution “without walls”, headquartered in Saarbrücken

Made up of a network of 180 higher education institutions across France, Germany and third countries

176 integrated Franco-German courses

24 Franco-German doctoral colleges

6300 students

1500 graduates per year

- **FGU activities**

Higher education: creation of bilateral and trilateral integrated courses and dual degrees, at all bachelor's and master's levels

Research: joint thesis supervision, Franco-German doctoral colleges, scientific seminars

Employability of graduates and doctors

Franco-German Forum: organization of a fair for students and recent alumni, held in Strasbourg in November

- **Academic excellence in diverse disciplines**

Courses followed by FGU students:

Social sciences and humanities:	28%
Economics and management:	26%
Engineering and other sciences:	23.5%
Law:	19%
Teacher training and architecture:	3.5%

- **Benefits of an FGU course**

- language and intercultural skills that are highly valued on the international labour market
- academic excellence
- two or three university diplomas recognized nationally, without additional study periods
- many opportunities for mobility abroad:
 - a) an academic exchange lasting two or three semesters in the partner country or a third country
 - b) the possibility to of receiving scholarships.

- **Graduate employment**

- 35% of students are employed by the end of their studies
- 71% of students find work in less than three months
- 89% of graduates would recommend a Franco-German University (FGU) course to future students
- 62% of graduates believe that their Franco-German dual degree helped them find their first job

Sources: 2014 annual report of the Franco-German University; for the heading “graduate employment”, 2014 FGU survey on graduate employability.