

## Visit report to Hasselt University

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**About university of Hasselt.** Hasselt university was established in the year 1978 in Hasselt, Belgium. until 1991 the university was, in fact, an undergraduate level university institution with two faculties: the Faculty of Medicine-Dentistry and the Faculty of Sciences (with study programmes in Mathematics, Physics, Computer Science, Chemistry and Biology). In 1991 the university expanded the reach of its curriculum by transforming the Limburg Business School (Economische Hogeschool Limburg), an independent university college which was located on the same campus in Diepenbeek, into the Faculty of Applied Economics. At the same time, Hasselt University became entitled to organize postgraduate programmes and award doctoral degrees in its three faculties.


In 2002 Hasselt University, together with Hogeschool PXL established the Limburg Association of Higher Education (AUHL). The AUHL was founded to enhance cooperation between higher education institutions in the region.

Since September 2004 the university offers a unique **programme (bachelor and master) in Transportation Sciences**. was created.

**Purpose of my visit:** Since 1012 university of Hasselt is running a unique project funded by World Bank specially for the academicians in developing countries (please refer [http://www.uhasselt.be/UH/IMOB-EN/IMOB\\_EN-Education/Road-Safety-Training-for-Academics.html](http://www.uhasselt.be/UH/IMOB-EN/IMOB_EN-Education/Road-Safety-Training-for-Academics.html))

The aim of the program is to train the academicians in developing countries in road safety and help them to establish remote research centre in their countries dedicated to road safety. The program calls for a stay on Hasselt campus for two months. As such a long stay was not possible for the undersigned; a special permission was sought for the Hasselt team to study the research material and access the library. During my stay i was given an accommodation on the campus and was allowed to use the resources material.

I attended the ongoing lectures and had interaction with the staff there. In all the visit was fruitful for me. The course material this obtained is being extensively used for teaching to the UG and PG students. **As a courtesy one way ticket till Brussels was paid by the Hasselt university.**

  
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