Institut Catholique de Lyon (Ucly) is a comprehensive university offering programs based on the European degree system, complemented by official diplomas (nationally regulated State diplomas) and other diplomas unique to the university. It has been labelled as a Private Higher Education Institution of Public Interest (EESPIG) by the French State.

Ucly is composed of 6 Faculties (Legal, Political and Social Sciences/ Economic Sciences and Management/ Natural Sciences and Biotechnology/ Philosophy and Humanities/ Modern Languages and Literature/ Theology and Religious sciences), 5 advanced schools, and 15 institutes and research centers. 11,000 students are enrolled on two campuses in downtown Lyon, a city whose architectural heritage is recognized by UNESCO, and 1 in Annecy.

**Main Programmes of Study**
- Biology, biochemistry, Biotechnologies
- Business, Management
- Law, Human rights, Family sciences, Local development
- Languages, Translation, Communication
- French as a Foreign Language
- Psychology, Philosophy
- Education
- Literature
- History
- Environment and environmental quality and safety
- Theology

**Research**
The Sciences and Humanities CONFLUENCE Research Center was established as a result of the project to bring together different disciplinary fields which, on the one hand, have their own specific features and, on the other hand, allow cross-approaches with regard to anthropological, scientific and social issues.

One multidisciplinary Research Center to promote convergence and strengthen Ucly's scientific potential.

8 research departments: Legal, political and social sciences/ Sustainable business and organisations/ Biosciences, technologies, ethics/ Culture(s), language, imagination/ Education, people, support/ Integral human development, ecology, ethics/ Theology, philosophy and religious sciences/ The Bible, ancient literature and culture

**Strengths**
- Center for the teaching of French as a foreign language at the Institute of French Language and Culture, open year-round
- Personal attention to international students (International Student Desk), with particular regard to housing (pursuant to university's international student policy)
- Cross-disciplinary, holistic education (arts, culture, personal growth)
- Associated member of the Université de Lyon Research and Higher Education Cluster

**Location**
France's second-largest university city, Lyon hosts more than 183,000 students, 22,000 of whom come from outside France. The city's quality of life, the variety and quality of available educational programs, and a vast student-support network make Lyon one of Europe's most attractive university cities.

Capital of the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region, Lyon is a truly European city, located between the Alps and the Mediterranean near the Beaujolais wine country. Lyon is 150 km from Geneva, 308 km from Turin, and 600 km from Barcelona.