

HIGHER EDUCATION

Higher education in Holland is known for its high quality and its international study environment. With more than 2,100 international study programmes and courses, it has the largest offer of English-taught programmes in continental Europe.

Types of higher education

Research universities = research-oriented education

Universities of applied sciences = higher professional education

Institutes for international education (IE) = advanced training and courses

More information

www.internationalstudy.nl

www.studyinholland.nl

THE DUTCH WAY OF TEACHING

“Develop an open mind through interactive learning”

- > Student-centred
- > Teamwork
- > Interaction in class
- > Respect for all opinions

Dutch grading system

In Holland a ten-point system is used in both secondary and higher education. A grade of 10 is the highest and 6 is the minimum pass grade.

USEFUL WEBSITES

<https://nvaio.com>

(NVAO: The Accreditation Organisation of the Netherlands and Flanders)

www.studyinholland.nl

SEARCH ENGINES

www.studyfinder.nl

www.studyinholland.nl

THE NETHERLANDS

... studying in ...



DEGREES

Type of institution	Degrees	Duration
Research universities	Bachelor of Science (BSc)	3 years
	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	3 years
	Master of Science (MSc)	1-3 years
	Master of Arts (MA)	1-3 years
	PDEng	2 years
	PhD	4 years
Universities of applied sciences	Associate (Ad)	2 years
	Bachelor (B)	4 years
	Master (M)	1-2 years
Institutes for international education	Master of Science (MSc)	1-2 years
	Master of Arts (MA)	1-2 years
	PhD (only possible at 1 institute)	duration is flexible



APPLICATION

Main requirement

The main requirement for admission to a bachelors programme is a secondary-school diploma (diplôme de fin d'études secondaires classiques /secondaires générales) at the appropriate level. This level is set by the institution.

How to apply

There are several ways of applying for a programme.

Check the institution's website pages for the programme of your choice to find information on the application process.

www.studyfinder.nl

Studielink

For most programmes you first need to register via

www.studielink.nl from **January to May 1**.

Note that some programmes have a selection procedure and an application deadline of **15 January** « Numerus fixus programmes ».

Acceptance

Your institution will send you a notification of acceptance. If you have questions about your acceptance, please contact the institution directly.

Numerus fixus programmes

For some study programmes the education institution has set a certain capacity. This means that a limited number of places is available. This is called 'numerus fixus'.

If the number of students who apply exceeds the number of available places, a selection procedure will take place. The application process therefore differs from that of regular study programmes.

First check with your institution

You need to check with your institution whether the programme of your choice has a numerus fixus. They can also tell you whether you can submit an application through Studielink. Some institutions may want to do their own review first.

15 January application deadline

If you have to apply via Studielink, make sure you do so before 15 January 23:59 hours (CET). Please check the page about the Studielink application for more information.

Max two applications

For each academic year you can submit an application for a maximum of two numerus fixus programmes. The institution decides how many times you can participate in the selection of a specific programme.

Medicine, Dentistry, Dental hygiene and Physiotherapy programmes are an exception; for these programmes you can only submit one application per programme per academic year. For example; you can't apply for Medicine at two different universities, but you are allowed to apply for Medicine and Dentistry.

Language requirements

It is essential that you speak, read and write English well. You must have passed an English language test. IELTS and TOEFL are commonly accepted, but institutions may accept other tests as well, like Cambridge English.

Don't wait till the last minute to pass a test!

More information

www.inll.lu (test IELTS)

www.toefl.org

www.studyfinder.nl

Tuition fees

Standard tuition fees for students from EU countries start at 2.143.-€ for one academic year

HBO OR WO?

In the Netherlands there are two types of Bachelor's degree: HBO (university of applied sciences) and WO (academic university education). The Bachelor's degrees from a university of applied sciences and an academic university are equal in value, but there are also differences:

1. HBO degree programmes have a professional orientation. WO degree programmes have an academic orientation.
2. HBO Bachelor's programmes take four years (240 ECTS). WO Bachelor's programmes take three years (180 ECTS).

Attention :

HBO Bachelor's degrees do not give automatic access to a related Master's programme at a Dutch academic university. It is sometimes possible to follow a bridging programme at an academic university to help make up for shortcomings in knowledge and skills.

STUDENT LIFE

ACEL (Association of Luxembourg Student Unions) informs you about all aspects of student life: housing, social security, student jobs and internships, etc.

FINANCIAL AID

Financial aid from the Luxembourg State

- > The Ministry of Higher Education and Research – Cedics offers grants and loans to students enrolled in higher education and meeting certain conditions.
- > Financial aid is awarded only for recognised degree courses!
- > Consult the section « eligible degree courses » on our website www.cedies.lu
- > Contact Cedics in case of doubt etudes@mesr.etat.lu

Application deadlines:

- > from 1st August to 30th November (winter semester)
- > from 1st January to 30th April (summer semester)

For more information on the financial aid application procedure and the eligibility criteria (with the possibility to use our calculation simulator), please visit: www.cedies.lu .

For a faster processing, apply online via MyGuichet.lu !

