

Immigration procedure

How to arrange your student visa?

a guide to a successful visa application

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What do I need to legally enter The Netherlands?

If you plan to stay in the Netherlands for more than three months, you may need a long-stay entry visa (MVV) and/or a residence permit (VVR). The table below outlines the required documents.

Country group	Do i need an entry visa (MMV)?	Do i need a residence permit (VVR)?	Acces to the labour market
Group 1 Austria Greece Northern Ireland Belgium Hungary Norway Bulgaria Iceland Poland Croatia Ireland Portugal Cyprus (Greek part) Italy Romania Czech Republic Croatia Slovakia Denmark Latvia Slovenia Estonia Liechtenstein Spain Finland Lithuania Sweden France Luxembourg Switzerland Germany Malta	No	No	Free acces
Group 2 Australia Monaco United States Canada New Zealand Vatican City Japan South Korea United Kingdom	No	Yes	Work permit
Group 3 All other counties	Yes	Yes	Work permit

The application for the entry visa and the residence permit is combined. The International Office of HAS green academy will apply for these documents on your behalf. This process takes several weeks after we receive the required documents from you.

Please note: you cannot apply yourself.

The International Office cannot proceed without your full cooperation. This factsheet outlines the steps you must follow to obtain your entry visa and/or residence permit. Please follow the instructions carefully.

Which steps do I need to take?

Please read this list carefully and follow the instructions.

1. Pay the invoice

Ensure you pay the invoice before the final deadline stated on the invoice. The earlier you complete the payment, the sooner the visa procedure can begin. Once payment has been made, send a copy of your payment confirmation to international@has.nl.

2. Make a copy of your passport and European document (if applicable)

Make a clear copy of the ID pages of your passport, as well as all pages containing stamps. A black-and-white copy is sufficient. Ensure your passport is valid until the end of your study period. If you already hold a residence permit from another European country, include a copy of that permit along with your passport.

3. Fill out the Antecedents Certificate

Complete and sign the [Antecedents Certificate](#). The signature must be original.

4. Collect your proof of financial means

The Dutch Immigration Service (IND) requires proof that you can financially support yourself during the first year of your studies or your entire exchange period. For 2026, the IND has set a minimum required amount to meet this condition.

4 year Bachelor students	
Standard amount per year	€ 15.000
Tuition fee HAS per year*	€ 12.000**
Total amount per year	€ 27.000

* By paying the invoice, you are already covering your tuition fees. The amount paid can be deducted from the total amount you still need to prove.

** This includes costs for arranging your visa, health insurance and excursions.

Exchange students*

Standard amount one semester	€5.345
Tuition fee HAS	None
Total amount per semester	€5.345

* This includes costs for arranging your visa, health insurance and excursions.

5. Refer to Appendix A to determine which financial document you need to submit based on your situation.

Fill out the declaration of intent to undergo a TB test (if applicable)

Important: students whose nationality appears on this [list](#) are exempt from the TB test. They do not need to sign this form and can skip this step.

If you are required to undergo a TB test upon arrival in the Netherlands, the IND mandates that you sign the ['Declaration of intent to undergo a TB test'](#). This is a requirement for your visa and residence permit.

6. Inform the International Office about your preferred Dutch Embassy/Consulate for visa collection (if applicable).

Be aware that not all Dutch Embassies and Consulates issue long-stay entry visas (MVV). Find the nearest office that provides MVVs [here](#) and make an appointment here. Keep in mind that you may need to travel to another country.

Where do I send my documents?

Once you have gathered all required documents, send a clear, scanned copy of the complete package to international@has.nl. We will review your submission to ensure it meets the IND's requirements. Please ensure all documents are signed.

Your document package should include:

- A copy of your passport, including the ID page and pages with stamps
- Proof of financial means
- Antecedents certificate
- If applicable, declaration of intent to undergo a TB test
- If applicable, a residence permit from another European country

Send your documents as soon as possible. Once we receive and approve them, we will notify you via email. We will then submit your visa application to the Dutch Immigration Service (IND). The visa application process takes approximately 4 weeks from submission. Once the IND approves your application, we will notify you by email. You can collect your MVV at the designated embassy/consulate (if required) or obtain your residence permit upon arrival in the Netherlands.

Important to know!

- You cannot stay in The Netherlands during the visa application process nor can you collect your entry visa (MVV) in The Netherlands.
- The Dutch Immigration Service is very strict regarding document requirements. Be aware that your documents may not be approved immediately.

Checklist

I have paid the invoice

I have checked whether I need a MVV and/or VVR

I have filled out and signed the Antecedents Certificate

I have attached a copy of my passport (and European document when applicable)

I have attached my proof of financial means

I have filled out and signed the Declaration TB-test (if applicable)

I have informed the International Office from which Dutch Embassy/Consulate I would like to collect my MVV (if applicable)

I have send the above mentioned documents to the International Office by email and they have been approved

Appendix A

In this Appendix, you will find details regarding the proof of financial means. There are several options:

A. Preferred option: Transfer the standard amount of money and tuition fee into the university's bank account.

You can transfer the required funds directly to the university's bank account, allowing you to prove sufficient financial means with minimal paperwork. Once you open a Dutch bank account after your arrival, the university will transfer the remaining amount back to you, deducting the tuition fee, visa fee, insurance costs and costs for excursions).

If you would like to use this option, please inform the International Office by May 1st.

B. You are paying for your studies yourself

You can prove your financial means by submitting one of the documents below:

1. A copy of a bank account statement in your name (in English or Dutch)
2. An original statement from your bank confirming the total amount (€ 27.000) in your account (in English or Dutch)
3. An internet printout of your account statement* (in English or Dutch)

*Additional requirements for internet printouts:

- Must show your full address details
- Must have an original signature and stamp from your bank

All documents must meet these requirements:

- Issued within the last three months
- Clearly dated
- Displays the student's personal details (at least initials and last name)
- Shows the account number
- Indicated the available balance (including currency)

- Confirms that the available balance is accessible to the student at any time (for current or savings accounts, this is not required)
- Included the bank's contact details (name, address, telephone number, email, website)

C. A sponsor is financing your studies

If someone else is funding your studies, your sponsor must:

- Complete a financial statement declaring their commitment to financially support you (This statement is available on the last page of this document)
- Provide a bank statement showing sufficient funds to support you (This statement must meet the same requirements as outlined in Option B)
- Submit a copy of their passport.

D. You are receiving a student grant

If you are receiving a student grant, the grant statement must include:

- The name of the grant provider and, if applicable, the scholarship program
- Confirmation that the grant is specifically awarded to you
- The scholarship period (start and end date)
- The scholarship amount
- A clearly marked date

Note: You may combine multiple options listed above!

Financial Statement Sponsor for Visa or Residence Permit application

Student information

Family name

First name(s)

Date of birth

Place of birth

Nationality

Telephone number

Address

Postal Code

City

Country

Sponsor information

Sponsor Information

Family name

First name(s)

Date of birth

Place of birth

Nationality

Passport/ ID card number*

During his/her studies at HAS green academy. I hereby guarantee that I will transfer a minimum monthly allowance of **€1.250** in the period **1 September 2026 until 31 August 2027**.

I hereby enclose a recent bank statement proving that I have enough funds to transfer the amount in the period mentioned above.**

I hereby declare that I will financially support the student.

Signature

Place

Date

* Please enclose a copy of the sponsor's passport or identity card with this statement.

** The bank statement must be in English and may not be older than three months.