

INTERNATIONAL DEGREE PROGRAMMES

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> > The Netherlands

founded in 1614



WELCOME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF GRONINGEN

a 400 year old university with a rich academic tradition.

The University is located in the city of Groningen, a city with the lowest average age in the Netherlands. Half of the population is **under 35 years** old, and **1 in 4 citizens is a student!** Founded in 1614, the University of Groningen has featured as an international community for four centuries. Today, students from at least **115 countries** have found their way to the University of Groningen, where **over 100 degree programmes** are taught in English!







UNIVERSITY OF GRONINGEN

RANKINGS

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> New York Times Employability Ranking 83
> Times Higher Education 117
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> QS World Rankings 90
> ESI Citations: 56 of 200 most productive universities
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> CHE-Excellence Ranking:
Excellence Group: Biology, Chemistry, Physics,
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Psychology, Economics

> Academic Ranking of World Universities 82

> www.rug.nl/about-us/where-do-we-stand/rankings





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Groningen is a vibrant student city. Students can be seen everywhere: studying in the Noorderplantsoen park, enjoying the nightlife, and at work in various part-time jobs.

A nice place to live

Groningen City

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Groningen is a pleasant and safe place to live. With a population of 190,000 it is truly a city; lively, convivial and offering everything you need. At the same time, Groningen has the ambience of a village where you'll soon bump into someone you know. When you want to escape the hustle and bustle, the peace and quiet of the vast countryside is just a stone's throw away.







ENGLISH-TAUGHT BACHELOR DEGREE PROGRAMMES

					NON-EU STUDENT	
Degree	Bachelor Programme	Duration	Deadline	Tuition fee per year (approx.)	Deadline	Tuition fee per year (approx.)
ARTS A	ND HUMANITIES					
BA	American Studies	3 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 April	€ 7,700
BA	Arts, Culture and Media	3 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 April	€ 7,700
BA	English Language and Culture	3 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 April	€ 7,700
BA	European Languages and Cultures	3 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 April	€ 7,700
BA	International Relations and International Organization (Numerus Fixus)*	3 years	15 April	€ 1,906	15 April	€ 7,700
BA	Minorities & Multilingualism	3 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 April	€ 7,700
BEHAVIO	DURAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
BSc	Psychology (Numerus Fixus) *	3 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 7,700
	MICS AND BUSINESS					
BSc	Econometrics and Operations Research (Numerus Fixus)*	3 years	15 April	€ 1,906	15 April	€ 7,700
BSc	Economics and Business Economics (Numerus Fixus)*	3 years	15 April	€ 1,906	15 April	€ 7,700
BSc	International Business (Numerus Fixus)*	3 years	15 April	€ 1,906	15 April	€ 7,700
LAW LLB	International and European Law	3 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 7,700
MEDICA	L SCIENCES					
BSc	Medicine <i>(Numerus Fixus)</i> * Profiles: Global Health, Molecular Medicine	3 years	15 January	€ 1,906	15 January	€ 32,000
SCIENCE	ES AND TECHNOLOGY					
BSc	Applied Mathematics	3 years	1 June	€ 1,906	15 April	€ 10,300
BSc	Applied Physics	3 years	1 June	€ 1,906	15 April	€ 10,300
BSc	Artificial Intelligence	3 years	1 June	€ 1,906	15 April	€ 10,300
BSc	Astronomy	3 years	1 June	€ 1,906	15 April	€ 10,300
BSc	Chemistry	3 years	1 June	€ 1,906	15 April	€ 10,300
BSc	Chemical Engineering	3 years	1 June	€ 1,906	15 April	€ 10,300
BSc	Computing Science	3 years	1 June	€ 1,906	15 April	€ 10,300
BSc	Industrial Engineering and Management	3 years	1 June	€ 1,906	15 April	€ 10,300
BSc	Mathematics	3 years	1 June	€ 1,906	15 April	€ 10,300
BSc	Physics	3 years	1 June	€ 1,906	15 April	€ 10,300
UNIVERS	SITY COLLEGE GRONINGEN					
BSc/BA	Liberal Arts and Sciences	3 years	1 July	€ 4,000	1 May	€ 12,000

^{*} Numerus Fixus programmes have a limited number of seats available. Students are selected through a decentralized selection procedure. More information can be found here: http://bit.ly/decentralisedselection



Did you know that ...?

> ... big names such as Nirvana and U.2

were performing in the Underground-

Club VERA in Groningen?

> ... the first Dutch female student,

> ... the biggest sugar factory in the world is in Groningen?

> ... Groningen would no longer exist without the famous Dutch dikes?

Aletta Jacobs, studied at the RUG?

> ... Groningen belongs to the Top 5

of the best biking cities worldwide ?

HOW TO APPLY!

Applying for a programme abroad might be very different than you are used to in your home country. The first thing you should do when applying for a programme abroad, is check our University's website. Here you can find specific information about our programmes, but also about how to apply. For general information about our application procedure go to:

> www.rug.nl/howtoapply

STUDIELINK

Any student who wants to apply at a university in the Netherlands has to do so through Studielink. Studielink is the national application website for higher education in the Netherlands. Luckily it is also available in English and German, so simply click on the flag of your preferred language and your future academic career will be at your fingertips! You can find Studielink here:

> www.rug.studielink.nl

ADMISSION OFFICES

Applying for a programme through studielink is the beginning of your application procedure. Each faculty of the University of Groningen has an admissions office that will ask you to send documents. For example, you will need to send proof that you have a diploma. The admissions officers will be your contact persons during the entire application process. If you have any questions or uncertainties, send your admission officer an email or give them a call. They will be more than happy to help you through the whole admission process. Here you can find a list of contact details of all the admissions offices:

> www.rug.nl/admissions

ENERGY ACADEMY EUROPE

One of the biggest challenges for the near future is the transition to a sustainable society, based on the use of clean energy sources. Much research and many new solutions, approaches and specialists are needed to realize this necessary change. At the University of Groningen you can enroll in several energyrelated programmes and specialisations. For more information please go to:

> www.energyacademy.org





			EU STUDENT		NON-EU STUDENT	
Degree	Master Programme	Duration	Deadline	Tuition fee per year (approx.)	Deadline	Tuition fee per year (approx.)
LIFE SCI	ENCES					
MSc	Behavioural and Cognitive Neurosciences	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Biology	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Biomedical Engineering	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Biomedical Sciences	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 April	€ 13,400
MSc	Clinical and Psychosocial Epidemiology (Grad School)	2 years	1 June	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 13,400
MSc	Ecology and Evolution (Grad School)	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Human Movement Sciences	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 April	€ 13,400
MSc	Marine Biology	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Medical and Pharmaceutical Drug Innovation (Grad School)	2 years	1 June	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 13.400
MSc	Medical Pharmaceutical Sciences	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Molecular Biology and Biotechnology (Grad School)	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Sport Sciences	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 April	€ 13,400
LAW	Programmes under construction for 2015					
	Energy and Climate Law	1 year	1 June	€ 1,906	1 June	€ 13,400
LLM	European Market Law	1 year	1 June	€ 1,906	1 June	€ 13,400
LLM	Global Criminal Law	1 year	1 June	€ 1,906	1 June	€ 13,400
LLM	International Business Law	1 year	1 June	€ 1,906	1 June	€ 13,400
LLM	International Commercial Law	1 year	1 June	€ 1,906	1 June	€ 13,400
LLM	International Human Rights Law	1 year	1 June	€ 1,906	1 June	€ 13,400
LLM	Public International Law	1 year	1 June	€ 1,906	1 June	€ 13,400
SPATIAL	SCIENCES					
MSc	Environmental and Infrastructure Planning	1 year	1 June	€ 1,906	10 January	€ 10,800
MSc	Population Studies	1 year	1 June	€ 1,906	10 January	€ 10,800
MSc	Regional Studies (Grad School)	2 years	1 June	€ 1,906	10 January	€ 10,800
MSc	Real Estate Studies	1 year	1 June	€ 1,906	10 January	€ 10,800
MSc	Geography and Liveability	1 year	1 June	€ 1,906	10 January	€ 10,800



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ARTS AN	ID HUMANITIES					
MA	Archaeology		1 May	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 10,800
	 Classical and Mediterranean Archaeology Prehistory and Protohistory of Northwest Europe Art History and Archaeology (Grad School) 	1 year 1 year 2 years				
MA	Arts and Culture		1 May	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 10,800
	 > Arts, Culture and Media > History of Architecture and Town Planning > Art History and Archaeology (Grad School) > Literary and Cultural Studies (Grad School) 	1 year 1 year 2 years 2 years				
MA	Classics and Ancient Civilizations		1 May	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 10,800
	> Classical, Medieval and Renaissance Studies (Grad School)	2 years				
MA	Communication and Information		1 May	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 10,800
	 Information Science 	1 year				
MA	History		1 May	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 10,800
	 > History Today > Classical, Medieval and Renaissance Studies (Grad School) > Modern History and International Relations (Grad School) 	1 year 2 years 2 years				
MA	International Relations		1 May	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 10,800
	 > East Asian Studies > European Integration > Global Governance > International Political Economy > International Relations and International Organization > International Security > Modern History and International Relations (Grad School) 	1 year 1 year 1 year 1 year 1 year 1 year 2 years				
MA	Linguistics		1 May	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 10,800
	 Applied Linguistics European Linguistics Multilingualism Language and Cognition (Grad School) 	1 year 1 year 1 year 2 years				
MA	Literary Studies		1 May	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 10,800
	 > English Literature and Culture > European Literatures and Cultures > Writing, Editing and Mediating > Classical, Medieval and Renaissance Studies (Grad School) > Literary and Cultural Studies (Grad School) 	1 year 1 year 1 year 2 years 2 years				
MA	Media Studies		1 May	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 10,800
	> Journalism	18 months				
MA	Middle Eastern Studies		1 May	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 10,800
	 Middle Eastern Studies 	1 year				
MA	North American Studies		1 May	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 10,800
	> American Studies	1 year				



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ARTS AN	ID HUMANITIES					
MA	Philosophy		1 june	€1,906	1 April	€10,800
	PhilosophyPhilosophy (Grad School)		1 year 2 years			
MA	Theology and Religious Studies		1 May	€1,906	1 March	€10,800
	 Ancient Scriptures and Cultures: Judaism, Christianity and Islam Concealed Knowledge: Gnosticism, Esotericism and Mysticism Religion, Conflict and Globalisation Religion and Culture (Grad School) Religion and the Public Domain 		1 year 1 year 1 year 2 years 1 year			
BEHAVIO	DURAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
MSc	Behavioural and Social Sciences (Grad School)	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 13,400
MSc	Educational Sciences: Educational Effectiveness and Instructional Design	1 year	1 May	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 13,400
MSc	Pedagogic: Communication and Deafblindness	1 year	1 June	€ 1,906	1 March	€ 13,400
MSc	Psychology	1 year	1 June	€ 1,906	1 April	€ 13,400
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MSc	MICS AND BUSINESS Business Administration Specializations: > Change Management > Organizational and Management Control > Small Business and Entrepreneurship > Strategic Innovation Management	1 year	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Econometrics, Operations Research and Actuarial Studies	1 year	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Economics	1 year	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Economics and Business (Grad School)	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Finance	1 year	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Human Resource Management	1 year	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	International Business and Management	1 year	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	International Economics and Business	1 year	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	International Financial Management	1 year	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Marketing	1 year	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Supply Chain Management	1 year	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Technology and Operations Management	1 year	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400



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MSc	Astronomy	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Chemical Engineering	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Chemistry	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Computing Science	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Energy and Evironmental Sciences	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Human-Machine Communication	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Industrial Engineering and Management	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Mathematics	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400
MSc	Nanoscience (Grad School)	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 February	€ 13,400
MSc	Physics	2 years	1 May	€ 1,906	1 May	€ 13,400

Scholarships

The University of Groningen offers scholarships to students who excel in their educational achievements. For these students, grants are available for Bachelor's, Master's and PhD's, as well as for exchanges, short courses and research stays.

For those who wish to apply for a scholarship in the Humanities, please note that your programme application should be received two months before the scholarship deadline. (This does not apply to Erasmus Mundus scholarships) For more information, please consult:

> www.rug.nl/grantfinder



ERASMUS MUNDUS PROGRAMMES

			EU STUDENT		NON-EU STUE	DENT
Degree	Master Programme	Duration	Deadline	Tuition fee (approx.)	Deadline	Tuition fee (approx.)
MSc	Biomedical Engineering	2 years	2 January	€ 4,000	1 December	€ 8,000
MA/MSc	Clinical Linguistics/EMCL (Joint Degree) Track of MA Linguistics (Grad School)	2 years	15 November 1 May*	€ 3,750	15 November	€ 7,500
MA	Euroculture (Joint Degree) Track of MA European Studies	2 years	1 March	€ 4,000 (€ 2,800, with standard Consortium waiver)	1 December 1 March*	€ 8,000
MSc	Evolutionary Biology	2 years	2 January	€ 4,000	2 January	€ 8,000
MA	International Humanitarian Action/NOHA (Joint Degree) Track of MA International Relations	16 months	15 March	€ 8,400 (full course)	15 December 15 March*	€ 12,600 (full course)
MA	Language and Communication Technologies Track of MA Linguistics (Grad School)	2 years	1 February 1 May*	€ 4,000	1 February 1 March*	€ 8,000
MSc	Theoretical Chemistry and Computational Modeling	2 years	31 January	€ 4,500	31 January	€ 6,000

* Extended application deadline for students who do not require an Erasmus Mundus Scholarship

Erasmus Mundus is the prestigious EU programme that supports European top-quality Master Programmes which are offered by a consortium of at least three higher education institutions in at least three participating countries. After graduation students receive two degrees.

> www.rug.nl/erasmus



JOINT DEGREE / DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAMMES

Degree	Joint Degree / Double Degree Programmes
ARTS A	ND HUMANITIES
	MA Tracks
	Clinical Linguistics / EMCL > Erasmus Mundus programme / Joint Degree
	Euroculture > Erasmus Mundus programme / Double Degree / Joint Degree
	International Humanitarian Action / NOHA > Erasmus Mundus programme / Joint Degree
	Language and Communication Technologies > Erasmus Mundus programme
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ECONC MSc	
	DMICS
MSc	MICS International Business and Management: Advanced International Business Management and Marketing International Economics and Business / MSc International Business and Management / MSc Economics / MSc Finance: China and the
MSc MSc	MICS International Business and Management: Advanced International Business Management and Marketing International Economics and Business / MSc International Business and Management / MSc Economics / MSc Finance: China and the World Economy
MSc MSc MSc	International Business and Management: Advanced International Business Management and Marketing International Economics and Business / MSc International Business and Management / MSc Economics / MSc Finance: China and the World Economy International Economics and Business: Central-East European Economies
MSc MSc MSc MSc	MICS International Business and Management: Advanced International Business Management and Marketing International Economics and Business / MSc International Business and Management / MSc Economics / MSc Finance: China and the World Economy International Economics and Business: Central-East European Economies International Economics and Business: International and Development Economics

LIFE SCIENCES

MSc	Biomedical Engineering > Erasmus Mundus programme
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SCIENCE	ES AND TECHNOLOGY
MSc	Evolutionary Biology > Erasmus Mundus programme
MSc	Theoretical Chemistry and Computational Modeling > Erasmus Mundus programme

SPATIAL SCIENCES

MSc	Environmental and Infrastructure Planning
	 > Development Planning & Infrastructure Management > Transportation Planning & Management > Water & Coastal Zone Management
MSc	Population Studies
	 Social Demography

Double Degree / Joint Degree Programmes

Choosing to study at the University of Groningen does not mean your experience will be confined to the Netherlands alone. The University has joined forces with strategic international partner universities across Europe and throughout the world. This has resulted in cooperation and exchange in all research disciplines, joint programmes (including the prestigious Erasmus Mundus), joint PhD research, and many other forms of cooperation. Students will receive a degree from both universities, or a Joint Degree. Find more information at:

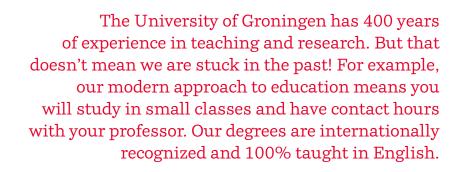
> www.rug.nl/doubledegree





THE UNIVERSITY AND YOU!

University of Groningen: 400 years of passion and performance



But our extensive facilities offer you much more. Exceptional students can join our Honours College to make their studies extra challenging. The ACLO sportcomplex, part of the biggest student sport society in the Netherlands, offers a wide range of sport courses and facilities. Theatre, debating sessions, museums and courses to improve your study skills are just a small example of what our extensive facilities have to offer.









BACHELOR DEGREE PROGRAMMES

Our 3 year undergraduate programmes are a great start of your academic career. After you successfully completed your Bachelor you can continue with a related Masters programme specializing in the field of study you like. For our bachelor degree programmes, please visit:

> www.rug.nl/bachelors/in-english

GRADUATE SCHOOL MASTER DEGREE PROGRAMMES

For students with research as their special focus, we offer Research Masters and Top Masters programmes. These are often incorporated into Graduate Schools. An excellent preparation for a PhD, as well as for a professional or research career. Talented students can write their PhD proposal as part of their Masters degree. For more info about the graduate schools, please visit:

>www.rug.nl/education/phd-programme

SUMMER/WINTER SCHOOLS

Nothing to do during your summer/winter holidays? Come to Groningen and join our summer or winter school programmes for a couple of weeks! Learn more about your favorite subject while abroad and enjoy the Dutch culture during your holidays!

> www.rug.nl/education/summer-winterschools

MASTER DEGREE PROGRAMMES

With over 90 English-taught Master programmes you will have plenty of choice to continue your academic career after your Bachelor degree. Our Master programmes typically last 1 year, our Research Masters last 2 years. Successful completion will prepare you to continue on the job market or continue your academic career by applying for a PhD position. Information about our master programmes can be found here:

> www.rug.nl/masters/in-english

JOINT PROGRAMMES / DOUBLE DEGREE / JOINT DEGREE

Take advantage of the broad international network that the University of Groningen has to offer. Through our partnerships you will be able to study at prestigious universities in many different countries. Afterwards you will receive either a jointor double degree from the University of Groningen and its partner universities. A great way to expand your studies abroad!

> www.rug.nl/doubledegree



EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES

Our exchange programmes give students the ultimate opportunity to experience our University and city for either a semester or a full academic year. Meet fellow international students and broaden your knowledge, while experiencing all that Groningen has to offer. Our exchange programmes also give University of Groningen students the opportunity to go abroad and study in another country for one semester or a full year!

> www.rug.nl/education/exchangeprogrammes

PHD PROGRAMMES

In the 4 year PhD programmes, you conduct your own research while the respective Graduate Schools provide a balanced mix of expert supervision and the freedom to pursue your own ideas within relevant research themes. Part of the research can be carried out abroad and many international PhD students are welcomed for short periods as well. After defending your thesis, you will be awarded a PhD degree that is highly regarded internationally. For more information visit:

> www.rug.nl/PhD

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

University College Groningen offers an English taught BA/BSc Liberal Arts and Sciences degree. The first year of study has been designed for you to study all of the academic disciplines to provide you with the knowledge to consider different perspectives when dealing with modern day challenges.

> www.rug.nl/ucg

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UNIVERSITY OF GRONINGEN

- > Leading research university
- > Study in an international environment
- > Dedicated to student involvement

STUDENT FACILITIES: THE GRONINGEN PERSONAL APPROACH

- > Honours College for exceptional talent
- > Student support courses
- > NEXT career advice
- > State-of-the-art computers and high-speed online facilities
- Wide variety of international student organisations
- Unlimited access to the University Sports Centre

FACTS & FIGURES

> 29,000 students

- > 4,151 international students from over 115 countries
- > 10 faculties & 9 Graduate Schools
- > Bachelor, Master and PhD programmes
- > Over 100 English-taught degree programmes
- > 14 English-taught joint/double degree programmes
- > 7 prestigious Erasmus Mundus programmes

The University of Groningen maintains long-term partnerships with foreign universities around the world. This means your opportunities as a student reach further than Groningen alone. By making use of the international network and exchange programmes of the University of Groningen, the world is at your feet!

An international outlook: involved with the world

PARTNERS AND NETWORKS:

Europe

- > Uppsala University (Sweden)
- > Ghent University (Belgium)
- > University of Göttingen (Germany)
- > BI Norwegian Business School (Norway)

Asia

- > Gadjah Mada University (Indonesia)
- > University of Indonesia (Indonesia)
- > Bandung Institute of Technology (Indonesia)
- > University of Beijing (China)
- > Tsinghua University, Fudan University (China)
- > Osaka University (Japan)

Latin America

- > University of São Paolo –USP (Brazil)
- National Autonomous University of Mexico
 - UNAM (Mexico)

North America

- > University of California at Los Angeles
 UCLA (USA)
- > University of Pennsylvania (USA)



EIVING IN THE

Worried about studying in a new country? We understand that studying abroad is a big step. But every journey starts with the first step, so why not make it a big one? The University of Groningen will take you by the hand, offer help and advise you on subjects like finances, medical care, insurances and all the subjects you have to deal with when moving to another country. Our experienced staff of the International Service Desk will help you answer all the questions you might have. Take the first step by having a look at www.rug.nl/isd

GRONINGEN

Safe environment, full of life

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The large student population makes Groningen what it is: A young, vibrant city where life is good! Thanks to our bicycle lanes, you can be anywhere in the city within 25 minutes. Your bicycle will become one of your best friends when living in Groningen!

The festivals, cultural events and performing arts shows make that there is something going on all year round. Add to that the police officers who are specially assigned to deal with students, and you will live in a city that is safe, fun and always surprising.

THE NETHERLANDS

Dutch culture

One of the first things you will notice about the Dutch is that almost all of them speak English. Because of its rich trading history, Dutch culture has developed itself to be open minded, direct, tolerant and fair. On some days the Dutch are a bit silly, for example when they dress up in orange to celebrate the King's birthday. On other days all they do is talk about politics and the weather.

The Dutch love to debate about anything and pride themselves on their directness. Although they mean well, they might come across as quite opinionated in your eyes. This might seem quite overwhelming at first, after a while you get used to it. In general you will become part of a culture that is different from your own, while having the freedom to stay true to yourself.





NETHERLANDS

Cost of living

Here's an indication of the cost in euro's of some basic items in a student budget:

- > Housing: EUR 350-500 per month
- > Food: EUR 250 per month
- > Spending money: EUR 70 per month
- > Insurance: EUR 75-100 per month
- > Language courses: EUR 75-100 per month, 50 hours for free!
- > Security deposit: Approximately 1 month rent
- > Bicycle: EUR 45-120 (good quality used bicycle)
- > Books: Approximately EUR 500

EMPLOYMENT

A residence permit for study purposes allows you to work either part-time or seasonally, but not both: that is, either up to ten hours a week, or only in the months June, July and August. Your employer must get a work permit for you if you have a non-EU nationality. However, in most cases, a reasonable knowledge of Dutch is required. Since your study programme will usually keep you very busy, we would strongly advise you not to work while studying at the University of Groningen.

> www.rug.nl/employment-and-study

WORKING AFTER GRADUATION **Residence Permit and work permit for** non-EU/EEA nationals

The degrees awarded by the University of Groningen are accredited by the Dutch government and are internationally recognized. However, if you wish to continue to reside in the Netherlands and find employment here after graduating, you can make use of the one-year 'search period' for recent graduates. The residence permit for the purpose of seeking work after graduation allows you a period of 12 months to find employment in the Netherlands. You can find more information about procedures and applications at:

> www.ind.nl

CAREER PROSPECTS NEXT career advice

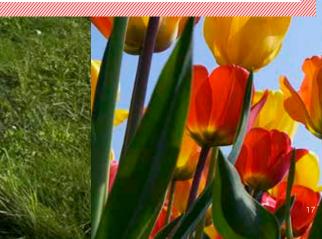
Next is the framework within the University of Groningen where various activities are organized to help students make the right (study) choices to prepare them for the jobmarket. By making use of the network of Next, students can prepare for the job market before, during and after their degree programme! For more information,



Careers advice before, during & after your degree

> www.rug.nl/next







MAKING THE MOVE

Moving to another country is not something you do every day. Therefore, you want to prepare yourself as best as you can. One of the first things you should do is go through our University's website. Most of the questions you might have can be answered by going online! On our website you can find all the deadlines, the application procedure and entry requirements of any programme you might be interested in.





GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission requirements differ per programme.

- English proficiency between 580 and 620 in TOEFL; a minimum of 6.5 in IELTS
- Bachelors: Higher secondary education certificate
- Masters: Bachelor's degree in a related field; in some cases deficiencies can be remedied by means of a Pre-Masters programme
- PhD's: An internationally recognized high-quality Master's degree; a solid PhD proposal

VISA AND IMMIGRATION

Applying for a visa and dealing with immigration authorities may seem complicated but we can make it quicker and easier for you. Once you have been accepted as a student, the University will apply for a visa on your behalf. You can find more information on this topic at:

> www.rug.nl/visa-immigration

ACCOMMODATION

International student houses are scattered throughout the city in the characteristic lanes and alleyways that are the heart of Groningen life. Similar to Dutch student accommodation, the facilities include a private study/ bedroom and a shared kitchen, living room and bathroom. International student residences are also rented fully furnished and offer free wireless access to internet and email. The Housing Office will help you in finding accommodation. For more information please visit:

> www.housingoffice.nl

WELCOME TO GRONINGEN GUIDE

Once you are set to go, download our online Welcome to Groningen guide for extensive information about insurances, financing, working, student organisations and much more!

> www.rug.nl/education/internationalstudents/getting-started

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IMPORTANT LINKS

General informatio www.rug.nl

Personalized information package www.rug.nl/internationalmagazine

Grants and scholarships www.rug.nl/grantfinder

Bachelor programmes www.rug.nl/bachelors/in-english

Master programmes www.rug.nl/masters/in-english

PhD programmes www.rug.nl/education/phd-programme

Housing and accommodation www.housingoffice.nl

Online international student magazine www.groningenlife.com

International student organisation ESN www.esn-groningen.nl

Study in Holland www.studyinholland.nl

www.rug.nl/internationalmagazine



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