



University of Groningen - Fact sheet

Contact information

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Website for exchange students	http://www.rug.nl/education/exchange-programmes/

General information

Meet the University of Groningen	The University of Groningen (founded in 1614) is an international place of knowledge that attracts students and staff from all over the world. Located in the heart of Europe, we are rooted in the tradition and history of a city which is widely regarded as the City of Talent
Website with practical information for exchange students	Our university offers a great variety of English-taught degree programmes and is continually scouting talented students, providing them the opportunity to excel http://www.rug.nl/education/international-students/
Academic year	September – August
Fall semester	First week of September – mid January
Spring semester	First week of February – mid July
Academic calendar	https://www.rug.nl/education/academic-calendar?lang=en
Welcoming Ceremony	Takes place before the start of the new semester. Students will receive a formal invitation. http://www.rug.nl/education/international-students/getting-started/welcoming-ceremony
Application deadline	May 1 st for the Fall semester. October 1 st for the Spring semester.
English language requirements	Toefl (internet based): 92 (with a minimum of 20 per section) IETLS: 6.5 (with a minimum of 6 per section)
Nomination process	All students must be nominated to the MSD before their application documents are send. Please send us an email with the name, email address and the faculty of choice at the University of Groningen when the students are nominated.



Application process	<p>We can only accept applications from the international office directly. Please send the following documents to: msd@rug.nl</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application form (available through the International Office) • Official academic transcript of records, in English • English language test results • Copy of passport
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Practical matters

Immigration requirements	<p>All non-EU students must either have a residence permit or an MVV visa and a residence permit in order to study in The Netherlands. Our International Students Desk will accompany this process. http://www.rug.nl/education/international-students/visa-immigration/</p>
Financial requirements	<p>In order to get a residence permit or an MVV and residence permit combined, students must show sufficient financial means: One semester €4500,- Full year starting in September: €9000,- Full year starting in February: 10800,-</p>
Health insurance	<p>http://www.rug.nl/education/international-students/health-insurance/</p>
Housing	<p>Students will receive information from the international office of their faculty to apply for housing with the housing office: www.sshxl.nl</p>
Additional information	<p>https://www.rug.nl/education/international-students/discover-groningen/arrival-guide2017.pdf</p>

Courses at the University of Groningen

Online course catalogue	<p>https://www.rug.nl/ocasys/</p>
ECTS and grading system	<p>The Netherlands higher education institutions adopted the ECTS system officially in 2002. One ECTS credit represents 28 hours of full-time study (including contact hours, reading, independent study, preparation for exams etc.), and 60 ECTS credits represent one year. The Dutch grading scale runs from 10 (highest mark) to 1 (lowest mark), in which 5.5 is the minimum pass mark. Grades 9 and 10 are rarely awarded.</p>
Transcript	<p>By the end of the semester, students will receive information from the faculty on how to apply for a transcript. Students must instruct the faculty to send the transcript to the international office of their home institution.</p>