

Student Exchange

Brochure for incoming students



Interested in studying at Wageningen University & Research?

This brochure tells you all about what we have to offer, what to expect and how to prepare for your time here as an exchange student.



WAGENINGEN
UNIVERSITY & RESEARCH

First... some statistics



12,973
students



No. 1 University in agriculture and forestry
QS World University Rankings



904
English courses



No. 1 Agricultural university in the world
National Taiwan University Ranking



108
nationalities



Best university in the Netherlands



35 MSc programmes in English

19 BSc programmes of which 6 are completely in English and the rest are partially in English



Wageningen University & Research

Wageningen University & Research (WUR) is one of the leading international universities and research institutes in the field of healthy food and the living environment. Here, you will focus on current and future global issues that are of increasing importance to both industry and government.

WUR has an excellent international reputation. More than 50% of the BSc courses and all MSc courses are taught in English. In the field of agricultural sciences WUR has repeatedly ranked as the number one university in the world.

Studying in Wageningen means multi-disciplinary, practically oriented education and personal contact between students and professors.

To facilitate the integration of knowledge from both the university and research institutes, WUR has an innovative campus that is designed to stimulate interaction between students, professors and researchers. As a result, many renowned companies in food and agriculture have their Research & Development departments located on or next to Wageningen Campus.

Studying in Wageningen - Education in English

All the MSc- and the 3rd year BSc-courses are taught in English, as well as many 2nd year BSc courses. Please select on language in WUR's online study handbook: www.wur.eu/studyhandbook

Environmental Sciences

- Climate Studies
- Earth and Environment
- Environmental Sciences*
- Forest and Nature Conservation
- Geo-information Science
- International Land and Water Management*
- Landscape Architecture and Planning
- Soil, Water, Atmosphere*
- Tourism*
- Tourism, Society and Environment
- Urban Environmental Management



Technology & Nutrition

- Biobased Sciences
- Biosystems Engineering
- Bioinformatics
- Biotechnology
- Data Science for Food and Health
- Food Safety
- Food Studies
- Food Technology (also available online)*
- Food Quality Management
- Molecular Life Sciences
- Nutritional Epidemiology and Public Health (online)
- Nutrition and Health



Life Sciences

- Agroecology
- Animal Sciences*
- Aquaculture and Marine Resource Management
- Biology
- Organic Agriculture
- Plant Biotechnology
- Plant Breeding (online)
- Plant Sciences



Social Sciences

- Communication, Health and Life Sciences
- Consumer Studies
- Development and Rural Innovation
- Economics of Sustainability
- Governance of Sustainability Transformations
- International Development Studies
- Supply Chain Analytics
- Sustainable Business and Innovation



* : Fields that offer a BSc completely in English.

Studying in Wageningen - academic facts and calendar

The academic year 60 ECTS is divided in six periods varying between 6-12 ECTS. The Autumn term (September) consists of period 1 to 3 and the Spring term (February) consists of period 4 to 6. Exchange students can start or end any study period. Students can select courses as long as they fulfill the prerequisites of the courses.

Minors

WUR offers 52 minors at BSc level (programme minors and thematic minors), the majority are taught in English. Please see: www.wur.eu/listofminors

Deadlines

	1 st Semester (start in Sep.)		2 nd Semester (start in Jan. or later)	
	NON-EU students	EU students	NON-EU students	EU students
Nomination	April 1	April 15	September 15	October 1
Application	April 15	May 1	October 1	October 15

Academic calendar and dates

Calendar academic year 2022-2023¹:

Orientation week/AID ²	in August	Orientation week/AID ²	in February
Study period 1	05/09/2022 – 28/10/2022	Study period 4	20/02/2023 – 17/03/2023
Study period 2	31/10/2022 – 23/12/2022	Study period 5	20/03/2023 – 12/05/2023
Christmas Holidays	26/12/2022 – 06/01/2023	Study period 6	15/05/2023 – 07/07/2023
Study period 3	09/01/2023 – 03/02/2023	Summer Holidays	10/07/2023 – 01/09/2023
Resit exams	06/02/2023 – 17/02/2023	Resit exams ³	07/08/2023 – 18/08/2023

Period					PERIOD 1								PERIOD 2										PERIOD 3								
Week	49	50	51	52	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24			
Date	8/8	15/8	22/8	29/8	5/9	12/9	19/9	26/9	3/10	10/10	17/10	24/10	31/10	7/11	14/11	21/11	28/11	5/12	12/12	19/12	26/12	2/1	9/1	16/1	23/1	30/1	6/2	13/2			
	Academic Year 2021-2022				Education									Exams	Education									Exams	Holidays	Education and exams				Resit exams (8-2/17-2)	

Period	PERIOD 4				PERIOD 5								PERIOD 6																
Week	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	1
Date	20/2	27/2	6/3	13/3	20/3	27/3	3/4	10/4	17/4	24/4	1/5	8/5	15/5	22/5	29/5	5/6	12/6	19/6	26/6	3/7	10/7	17/7	24/7	31/7	7/8	14/8	21/8	28/8	4/9
	Education and exams				Education								Education and exams								Holidays				Resit exams (7-8/15-8)		Holidays		Academic Year 2023-2024

¹ Schedule is subject to changes, please consult this website for up to date information:

<https://www.wur.nl/en/education-programmes/current-students/agenda-calendar-academic-year.htm>

² AID: Annual Introduction Days: for more information and the dates see www.aidwageningen.nl

³ The summer resit period might shift from week 49/50 to week 45/46, please check the schedule.

How to arrange your exchange to WUR

Checklist

1. Check if WUR is a partner institution/has a bilateral agreement for exchange

There should be an inter-institutional agreement for Student Mobility for Study (SMS) between the home university and Wageningen University & Research. Ask your Exchange Coordinator if this is the case. Exchange students should be registered as a regular student at one of the partner universities during their exchange.

2. Check if you fulfil the academic background criteria

Depending on the programme a minimum of 60-120 ECTS should have been completed before the exchange, additionally all students need to fulfil the prerequisites of each selected course (Assumed Knowledge in course descriptions).

3. Check if you fulfil the language criteria

The minimum requirement is English skills at B2 level (CEFR), but we recommend you to obtain C1 before your start in Wageningen. You need to hand in one of the tests mentioned briefly below (check the admission requirements for Level 1 on our website). In some cases it is possible to hand in a certificate from the language centre of your home university stating your level of English.

English proficiency (minimum scores)

- TOEFL internet-based: 80
- IELTS : 6.0
- Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English: C
- Cambridge First Certificate: B
- Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English: C
- German Abitur: 06
- Belgian ADO or TSO: 60
- International Baccalauréat: 3"

4. Apply at home university for exchange to WUR (home university selects and nominates)

You need to be eligible to participate in the exchange programme. Your educational institution selects and nominates candidates for student exchange to Wageningen University.

5. Apply for student exchange after nomination

You will receive instructions and a deadline for your online exchange application. Personal guidance is ensured by Exchange Coordinators who will process your application and be in touch with you about your course selection after you have submitted your application.

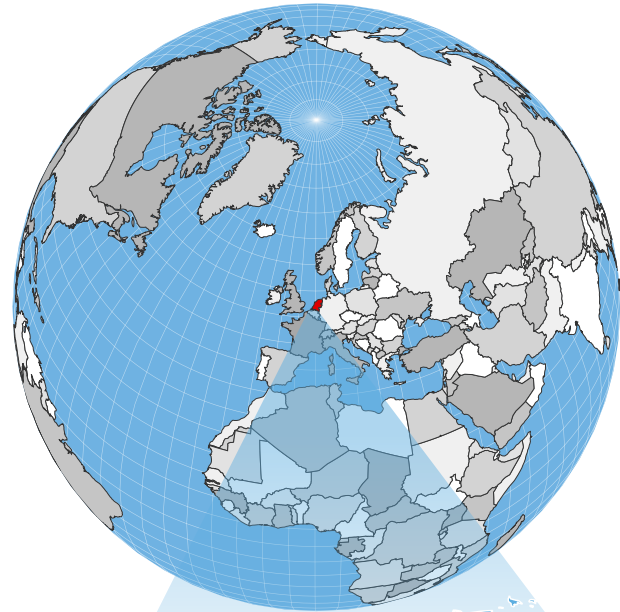
Detailed information about the exchange application procedure at WUR, deadlines and how to select courses can be found on our exchange website: www.wur.eu/incoming



Living in Wageningen - facts and figures

Wageningen is a city centrally located in the Netherlands. It has a small but thriving cultural and social life with theatres, cinemas, student organisations, bars and restaurants. Students, accounting for 20% of the population, turn Wageningen into a university town. Besides this, the many international students, professors and researchers contribute to an international atmosphere. Being a compact town, all university facilities and the city centre are within cycling distance.

Population of the Netherlands	17,500,000
Population of Wageningen	39,643
Number of international students	2,709
Official language	Dutch
Language of instruction at WUR	English & Dutch
Currency	Euro (€)
Capital	Amsterdam
Freedom festival	5 th of May
City rights since	1263 A.D.
Academic institute since	1918 A.D.



Travel time by public transport



From Wageningen Campus to	
Wageningen city center	14 min.
Utrecht central station	46 min.
Amsterdam central station	75 min.
Rotterdam central station	95 min.
Brussels central station	3.5 hrs
Paris Gare du Nord	4.5 hrs
London central station	5.0 hrs
Berlin central station	6.5 hrs

Estimated monthly expenses

Rent of student accomodation



€ 300 - € 500

Health insurance and legal liability insurance



€ 75

Groceries



€ 300

Books and study materials



€ 200 per year

TOTAL

About € 950 per month

Living in Wageningen - Housing, introduction and more

Housing

Most students in Wageningen live with others in a corridor of student apartment buildings or in student houses spread all over Wageningen. These corridors and houses have individual student rooms and shared facilities like the kitchen and bathroom. Roommates often cook, eat and socialise together.

Rooms are available through the main student housing cooperation in Wageningen (Idealis), room.nl or on the private market.

Check our housing website for more information and advice on finding housing in Wageningen:

www.wur.nl/en/Education-Programmes/future-students/Student-Housing-1.htm. The housing market is tight so please do not wait until the last moment to look for a room.



Annual Introduction Days (AID)

The AID is a great start to your student life in Wageningen. During the introduction days you will discover many things that will help prepare you for your stay in Wageningen. In small groups you'll get to know the sports associations, student associations, the possibilities for going out, your classmates, WUR and all the other things that Wageningen has to offer.

Besides study-related activities, there are also many other things to do such as a sports day, a cycling tour, a cultural night and a pubquiz. There is a big chance that you will find an organisation that meets your interests and that you can join for the rest of your time in Wageningen! Participating in the AID is an opportunity to make life-long friends and to quickly feel at home.

Website: www.aidwageningen.nl



Immigration information

WUR will check whether you need a residence permit or entry visa during your stay with us. If so, they will do the application for you. Please do not start this procedure yourself, you will get instructions after admittance. The dues are 192 euro (in 2021), check the requirements below.

Country of origin	MVV entry visa	Residence permit	Working permit
EU/EFTA countries	NO	NO	NO
Romania and Bulgaria	NO	NO*	NO
Australia, Canada, Japan, Monaco, New-Zealand, South Korea, USA, Vatican City	NO	YES	YES
All other countries	YES	YES	YES

* registration with IND is advised

Sports

From athletics to swimming and from archery to ballroom dancing or the gym, you can do it all in Wageningen. Wageningen University has a large on campus sports centre that facilitates over 60 sports for students and employees. Buy a sportcard for 104 euro per year (or 16 euro per month) and you can use all sports facilities. We have 31 student sport associations which you can join by becoming a member (small contribution). For more information see: www.wur.nl/en/sports-centre-de-bonger.d.htm



Questions?

For individual student inquiries

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For inquiries, negotiation and development of exchange agreements

Institutional Exchange Coordinator

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General contact information

For general information



www.wur.eu/exchange

For nominating students (partner universities)



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Social media



www.facebook.com/studyabroadwur



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