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Admission requirements

On this page you will find important details of the application process (such as deadlines, admission requirements, required documents and application assessment) for the bachelor's programme in Fiscal Economics for *academic year 2023-2024*.

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(!) Please note: It is no longer possible to enrol for this bachelor programme via Studielink because this programme will no longer be offered by Maastricht University as of September 2024. Current students and students starting in September 2023 will still be able to follow and finish this programme in full.

Important deadlines for application

Applicable when starting on 1 September 2023

When you want to apply or are applying for this study programme, it is important that you inform yourself of the deadlines that you need to meet. The important deadlines when applying for this study programme are provided in the table below.

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Date	What you need to know about this date
1 October 2022	Studielink is open for applications for the academic year 2023-2024
Up to and including 1 April 2023, 23:59 CET	Deadline for completing the entire application process for non-EU/EEA applicants (these applicants require a visa or residence permit)
Up to and including 1 May 2023, 23:59 CET	Deadline for completing the entire application process for EU/EEA applicants

Previous education

Applicants with a Dutch diploma

If you have one of the diplomas stated below then, in principle, you qualify for admission:

- VWO diploma 'Natuur en Techniek'
- VWO diploma 'Natuur en Gezondheid'
- VWO diploma 'Economie en Maatschappij'
- VWO diploma 'Cultuur en Maatschappij' + wisA or wisB

- HBO propedeuse + mathematics level VWO wisA or wisB
- OU propedeuse + mathematics level VWO wisA or wisB

Questions?

If you have questions regarding your previous education, please contact:

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Applicants with a non-Dutch diploma

If you have a non-Dutch diploma that is equivalent to the Dutch VWO diploma you, in principle, qualify for admission to this programme. Check if this applies to your diploma.

[List of diplomas equivalent to the Dutch vwo diploma 2023/24](#)

Mathematics requirement

For this bachelor's programme, certain Dutch mathematics courses (or a foreign equivalent) are compulsory. The required mathematics courses are:

- **Dutch diplomas:** mathematics level vwo wiskunde A or wiskunde B
- **Belgian diplomas:** "Diploma van Secundair Onderwijs": Mathematics at least 3 hours per week in the last 2 years.
- **German diplomas:** "Zeugnis der allgemeinen Hochschulreife": Grundkurs Mathematics up to and including the final year
- **International Baccalaureate from Geneva:**
 - Mathematics Analysis and Approaches HL or SL
 - Mathematics Applications and Interpretations HL or SL
- **European Baccalaureate:** Mathematics at least 3 hours per week in the final 2 years
- **British A/AS-levels, (I)GCE's and/or AICE:** Mathematics GCE A- or AS level

Additional subject requirement pertaining to non-Dutch entry qualifications 2023-2024

Mathematics deficiency

Students who do not meet the required mathematics level, have a so-called **mathematics deficiency**. The mathematics deficiency has to be cleared before the start of the bachelor's first year. To help you meet the mathematic requirement, we offer an **online preparatory math course** and an **online exam**.

Read more about the [mathematics deficiency](#)

Refresh your mathematics skills

Do you meet the mathematics requirement, but still want to improve your mathematics skills? We offer an **online preparatory math course**. Mathematics and statistics are essential in this programme. Our experience learns that quite a lot of students are not sufficiently prepared for the introductory courses that start right away in September. To avoid problems during those first months, we designed this online preparatory math course. The course is aimed at:

- Students who took the non-science track mathematics in high school, such as Grundkurs Mathematics, Math 4 hours or less, IB Math SL.
- Students who took a gap year between high school and university.

If you belong to one of these two groups we highly recommend following the online preparatory math course.

Read more about the [online preparatory math course](#)

Questions?

If you have questions about the mathematics requirement, please check the [FAQ](#) or contact:

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Required documents for the application procedure

Required documents for all applicants

- **A recent passport picture**
The passport picture must satisfy [certain requirements](#)
- **A copy of your valid passport or your EU/EEA identity card**
- **A certified copy of your diploma (if already obtained)**
- **A copy of your grades transcripts of the last two years of secondary school**

Documents that might be required depending on your (academic) background

- **Proof of mathematics proficiency**
If you do not meet the [required mathematics level](#), you have to clear your mathematics deficiency by taking part in the [online preparatory math course](#) and passing the [online exam](#).
- **Proof of language proficiency in English**
You only have to provide proof if you cannot show the required language proficiency without this proof. Answer the questions concerning language requirements under '[Language requirements](#)' on this webpage to find out if you need to provide additional documentation.

Please note:

Only **complete** registrations will be taken into consideration. All documents must be in **Dutch, English or German**.

Language requirements

This bachelor is taught in English and Dutch. You must therefore have a thorough active and passive command of both languages.

- Use the [English language requirement guide](#) to see if you are required to do an English language test
- Use the [Dutch requirement guide](#) to see if you are required to do a Dutch language test.

Handling fee

Prospective students applying for this study programme who received their prior education in a non-EU/EEA country will have to pay a handling fee.

More information about the (payment for the) [handling fee](#).

Possibility of enrolment in the second year and exemptions for the entire first year

If you have successfully completed courses equivalent to the first year of a School of Business and Economics (SBE) study programme (at the same university level), you may qualify for exemptions. Students, who do not switch between SBE study programmes, but switch from another university to SBE, cannot be exempted from parts of the first-year programme (so for separate, individual courses of the first-year of the bachelor study programme concerned), but only from the entire first-year of the bachelor's study programme. To use this possibility, you must submit a request for exemptions to the Board of Examiners. If your request has been approved, you can enrol in the second year.

Please note that the deadline is **1 July 2023**: if we have not received correct and completely filled out forms before this date, your request will not be taken into account.

More information regarding [exemptions and how to apply for them](#).

How do we assess your application?

When you want to apply or are applying to this study programme, it is useful to know how we assess your application. If you submit all required documents before the application deadline and if you meet the admission criteria (diploma requirement and mathematics requirement), you will be admitted. If you do not meet the criteria, your application will be rejected. We will inform you via e-mail.

Matching survey

If you want to, you can take part in a so-called matching survey. The aim of this survey is to assess whether you and your chosen programme are a good match. The matching survey is **optional**; you are **not required** to complete the survey in order to be admitted. This survey will be sent to you once the university has admitted you to the programme.