

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 Health Sciences for *academic year 2024-2025*.

The information on this page is for students who would like to start in academic year **2024-2025**.

Important deadlines for this study programme

The bachelor's programme in Health Sciences starts in September.

The deadlines below are applicable for applying for a start in September 2024.

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 2023	Studielink is open for applications for the academic year 2024-2025
Up to and including 1 April 2024, 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 2024, 23:59 CET	Deadline for completing the entire application process for applicants from the EU/EEA or Switzerland

General requirements: previous education

The admission requirements for academic year 2024-2025 for the bachelor's programme in Health Sciences depend on your previous education. Please check below which requirements apply to you.

Applicants with a Dutch diploma

You qualify for admission if you have one of the following diplomas:

- Dutch VWO diploma, new style, all profiles
- Dutch VWO diploma, old style, preferably with mathematics
- HBO propedeuse, or bachelor's degree, preferably with mathematics
- OU propedeuse, preferably with mathematics

Applicants with a non-Dutch diploma

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

[List of diplomas equivalent to the Dutch VWO diploma 2024-2025](#)

If your diploma is not included in this list, it must be evaluated by Maastricht University (UM) first.

Applicants without the appropriate diploma or with missing courses

If you do not have the necessary diplomas, you may still be eligible for admission with an entrance exam (the Colloquium Doctum exam). For this, you must be 21 years of age or older.

The Faculty of Health, Medicine and Life Sciences (FHML) of the UM does not organise a Colloquium Doctum exam. You must demonstrate with certificates that you have mastered the required subjects at Dutch VWO-level new style. These are: **Dutch, English and mathematics**.

You must arrange obtaining the certificates yourself.

- You can take courses in mathematics at [Boswell-Bèta](#) or [WisMon](#)
- For the math exam, you can go to [Boswell-Bèta](#) or [Central Committees for Entrance Exams \(CCVX\) – entrance exam](#)
- For the English subject, you can go to [Babel](#) or the [UM Language Centre](#)
- For a certification in Dutch (Nt2), you can go to the [CNaVT](#) (in Dutch) > Educative Startbekwaam (STRT) and Educative Professional (EDUP) (higher education admission).

Once you pass the exams, you must upload the certificates in the MyApplication portal.

Let the UM Admissions Office know via email (study@maastrichtuniversity.nl) that you have uploaded the certificates in the MyApplication portal. In the subject of your email, place: for the attention of UM Admissions.

Additional requirements

Language requirements for Dutch-language bachelor's and master's programmes

As Dutch is the language of instruction in this study programme, students must be proficient in the Dutch language.

Answer the questions below to find out if you meet the language requirements.

Do you hold a Dutch HAVO or VWO diploma?

YesNoUndo

Applicants who received their previous education in a non-EU/EEA country (handling fee)

Applicants for this study programme who received their previous education in a non-EU/EEA country will have to pay a handling fee. More information on this handling fee and how to arrange this payment can be found on the [Handling fee page](#).

Exemptions

Students who are of the opinion that they have already obtained comparable subjects earlier can request exemptions. The subjects must be equivalent in terms of content, study hours and level.

A request for exemption can only be considered if you have already enrolled.

For more information about exemptions, you can send a message to the Board of Examiners of FHML via [askFHML](#).

Documents required for application process

During the application process for this study programme, you will need to complete a number of tasks for which you will often have to upload documents. The list below gives you an insight into what documents you will (and might) need to prepare.

Required documents for all applicants to this study programme

A recent portrait picture

This picture must satisfy certain [requirements](#)

A copy of your valid passport or your EU/EEA identity card

Make a copy of the page with your personal details. Save this copy as 'passport copy' and not as 'passport picture'

A copy of your most recent grades transcript and a copy of your diploma *if you have obtained it*

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

Document(s) that demonstrate your proficiency in Dutch

Answer the questions concerning language requirements under 'Language requirements for Dutch-language bachelor's and master's programmes' on this webpage to find out if you need to provide additional documentation. The outcome of your answers will indicate which document(s) you can use to prove your proficiency.

A Colloquium Doctum certificate English

For those applicants who want to qualify for a Colloquium Doctum statement and do not meet the requirement of command of the English language on Dutch VWO level.

A Colloquium Doctum certificate Dutch

For those applicants who want to qualify for a Colloquium Doctum statement and do not meet the requirement of command of the Dutch language on Dutch VWO level.

A Colloquium Doctum certificate mathematics

For those applicants who want to qualify for a colloquium Doctum statement and do not meet the requirement of command of mathematics on Dutch VWO level.

A questionnaire Matching Procedure Health Sciences

For those applicants who chose themselves to take part in the Matching Procedure. You are not required to complete the Matching procedure to qualify for admission.

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. You can find more information about this in this section.

Maastricht University (UM) will assess whether your previous education makes that you qualify for admission.

Additional documents may be required to assess your previous education. If so, you will receive a request by email, so please keep an eye on your inbox.

If you do not qualify for admission based on your previous education or missing subjects, you will be informed about further actions that are required of you.

You will receive a message once UM has made the decision.

Matching Procedure

Maastricht University finds it important that you choose a study programme and learning environment which suits you well and in which you can be successful. This is why we offer you several opportunities to explore whether the programme matches your background and interest (for example Open Days and Experience Days). In addition, you may pose questions to evaluate your match with the programme and/or arrange a meeting with one of our study advisers by sending an email to: studiekeuzecheck@maastrichtuniversity.nl.

Privacy statement Matching Procedure

[Read more about the privacy statement for the Matching Procedure](#)

Study advice at end of bachelor year 1

At the end of year 1 of the study programme, every student receives advice on whether or not to continue his/her study. This advice is not binding. However, students must meet predetermined requirements documented in [the Education and Examination Regulations \(EER\)](#) of the study programme.