

Reduction tuition fees for first-year students by the Minister of Education

The amount of tuition fees can be a financial barrier for potential students or their parents. That is why the Dutch government implemented a bill for reducing the tuition fees for first-year students with 50% for the first year only. The new tuition fee is applicable for first-year Dutch students, as well as all EU-students starting in academic year 2018-2019.

The conditions for reduced tuition fees apply to students who:

- Start from academic year 2018-2019 onwards with their education at a university of applied sciences or a university;
- Pay full, partial or increased statutory tuition fees;
- Start with a bachelors or associate degree.

The tuition fee is not reduced for students who:

- Followed a study programme or started their study programme in higher education before the academic year 2018-2019;
- Follow a master's programme;
- Pay the institution tuition fee;
- Follow a course in non-subsidised higher education institute;
- Take part in the experiment of demand financing.

If the reduction of the tuition fee is applicable to you, you will receive an invoice upon your start. For more information about the bill, please visit the website ww.rijksoverheid.nl.