

UM principles with regard to the top 3% scheme for 2010–11

1. Each year, a total of 3% of the students will be eligible for selection.
2. All students who have started a regular ('initieel' and registered in CROHO, the Central Register of Higher Education Study Programmes) bachelor's or master's programme in that year will be eligible for selection.
3. Student Services (SSC) will calculate the exact number of top 3% scholarships or prizes per faculty on the basis of the number of valid registrations per faculty. The faculties and grants committees will be informed of this decision in spring. One group of top 3% bachelor students and one group of top 3% master students will be selected separately.
4. Selection criteria for the top 3% scheme:
 - a. The top 3% will be exclusively determined on the basis of study results. Other competencies and experiences will not be considered.
 - b. The student selected must have completed the academic year for which he/she is nominated (60 ECTS in a full-time programme; in a parttime programme, the number of ECTS is dependent on the possible number of ECTS to be earned).
 - c. The academic year in which the top 3% selection will take place runs from 1 September to 31 August or from 1 February to 31 January, depending on when the student registered. This means that the batch of students which started in February will be considered for the selection regarding the following academic year.
 - d. Exemptions and resits will not be considered.
 - e. If the last position on the top 3% ranking is occupied by two or more students with the same average score, the selection will be made randomly.
5. Receipt of the top 3% scholarship or prize
 - a. Every top 3% student will receive a top 3% certificate.
 - b. As a precondition for receipt of the scholarship, recipients must continue their studies at UM during the following academic year. These students will receive a scholarship covering the tuition fees minus the sum of any other grants received in compensation for these tuition fees (such as UM, faculty, Dutch government (NFP, MATRA/MTEC) or foreign grants.
 - c. The precondition mentioned under 5b. above does not apply to the last year of the bachelor's or master's programme; these students will receive a prize covering the tuition fees minus the sum of any other grants received in compensation for these tuition fees (such as UM, faculty, Dutch government (NFP, MATRA/MTEC) or foreign grants.
6. Faculties will set their own additional selection procedures based on the UM principles.