UM-explanatory website Studielink application 'numerus fixus'– UK-version

The Dutch application system Studielink refers to www.startstuderen.nl and www.studiekeuze123.nl for more detailed explanations of application terms and – procedures. Unfortunately at this point in time, there is no English version of these websites, so please find a number of terms and their explanations below. Please refer any questions about this procedure to study@maastrichtuniversity.nl or to the faculty where you submitted your application.

Source: https://www.studiekeuze123.nl/selectie

Number of applications for fixus programmes: You can apply for 2 fixus programmes in one academic year. Medicine, Dentistry, Dental hygiene and Physiotherapy programmes are an exception; for these programmes you can only submit one application per programme per academic year.

Number of times you can participate: the number of times you can participate in the selection procedure for a specific programme normally is 3 times, but can differ per programme. Please check the programme of your choice to see how many times you can participate.

Verification of identity: a student who does not reside in the Netherlands has to submit a valid passport or identity card so that the institute can verify the student's identity. If this is not available, it can be a reason to reject the application.

Less applications than the fixus: i.e. 400 applicants for 500 places. In that case, all students who applied by the deadline and meet all admission requirements will receive a place on 15 April. They will also have the right to participate in a matching activity (=studiekeuzecheck), that is, to determine if the study of choice fits the student's interests.

Application via Studielink after the deadline: it is technically impossible to still submit an application via Studielink after the deadline (15 January, 23:59 CET). Only in case of special circumstances, the institute may want to make an exception in your case, so please contact them for the possibilities.

Rejection application by institute: if a student does not meet the admission or additional requirements an institute of higher education can decide to reject the application. If a student does not agree with the decision, he can lodge an appeal against the decision. Every institute will provide him with information on the appeal procedure when sending out the decision.

Ranking number: if you participated in a selection procedure for a numerus fixus programme, you will get a ranking number. If this ranking numbers is within the available range of places for this specific fixus programme, then you will be offered a place.

Accept a place for a fixus programme: when a student is offered a place, this place has to be accepted via Studielink within 14 days, otherwise it will be annulled and the place will automatically be offered to the next student on the ranking list.

Reject a place for a fixus programme: if a student does not want to use the place, he can withdraw the application via Studielink and with that reject the place. This place will then be awarded to the next person on the list and will no longer be available to the first student.

Annulled place in a fixus programme: if a place is not accepted within 14 days, this place will automatically be annulled and it will be offered to the next person on the ranking list. The student can no longer be registered for this programme.

Selection attempt: students are allowed to participate in a selection 1 to 3 times (depends on programme), an application will count as an attempt if a student has a valid application on 16 January (so after the application deadline), irrespective of whether a candidate actually takes part in the selection procedure.You can see the number of selection attempts in Studielink before the start of the academic year (June-July-August).

Request for correction of selection attempts: if you did not graduate from high school or if you think that the overview of selection attempts is incorrect, you can request a correction of the number of attempts. This request has to be sent to the institute where the incorrect attempt was registered.