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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 master's programme in Fiscal Economics for *a study start in February 2023*.

On 1 July 2022 we started using a completely renewed application portal, the MyApplication portal. Are you applying for a study start in February 2023? Then you can do so in this new portal by following the steps described on the Admission & Registration page (see the darkblue menu on the lefthand side of this page).

Are you working on your application & enrolment for a study start in September 2022? Then you can complete your application & enrolment in the (old) MyUM portal (open the PDF in the sidebar for more information).

Information about a study start in September 2023 will be published on this page on 1 October 2022.

Are you starting your studies in September 2022?

You can find the relevant admission requirements in the PDF below.

[Admission requirements Fiscal Economics - 2022/23](#)

Important deadlines for study programme application

*This master's programme has **two intakes**: September and February. The information below applies to a study start in February 2023. Information about a start in September 2023 will be published on this page on 1 October 2022.*

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.

Note: if you are viewing this webpage on your phone, we recommend that you use landscape mode.

Start February 2023

(deadlines for applying for a **start in February 2024** will be published in June 2023)

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

Date	What you need to know about this date
Up to and including 1 December 2022, 23:59 CET	Deadline for completing the entire application process for applicants from EU/EEA and Switzerland

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 here.

The Board of Admission evaluates the quality of your application by looking at your IELTS/TOEFL score (if applicable), Grade Point Average, the level of statistics and mathematics and at how well your bachelor's programme corresponds with the master's programme. Besides this, the Board looks at your motivation, relevant work experience, international experience and extra-curricular activities. Based on this information, the Board of Admission will decide whether you can be admitted to the programme or not.

Assessment happens on a rolling basis. This means that, once you submit a complete file with all the minimum required scores, it will be presented to the Board of Admission. We will not wait until the deadline before we present your file to the Board. You will receive a decision within 2-4 weeks after completion of your file.

Required documents

Select your previous or current education to check what documents you need to upload:

- [Dutch university bachelor's degree](#)
- [Dutch HBO bachelor's degree](#)
- [International bachelor's degree](#)

After your application via Studielink, you will be asked to upload all required documents for the application procedure in the MyApplication portal.

Go to [Admission & Registration](#) to learn more about the admission and registration procedure.

Dutch university bachelor's degree

UM School of Business and Economics

Students with a Maastricht University bachelor's degree in Fiscal Economics are directly admissible. Except for a copy of your valid passport, you do not need to upload any other documents in the MyApplication portal.

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UM BSc Fiscal Law

Maastricht University (UM) graduates with a bachelor's degree in Fiscal Law are eligible for assessment by the Board of Admissions. After your application via Studielink, you will be asked to upload the following documents in the MyApplication portal:

- **Proof of successful completion of the course 'Financial Markets (EBC2006)'**
- **List of grades of your bachelor's programme**
Upload a transcript of grades from each university you have attended, plus a translation if the original is not in English.
- **A copy of your valid passport or your EU/EEA identity card**

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Other Dutch university bachelor's degree

If you have a bachelor's degree from a Dutch university, you are eligible for admission. After your application via Studielink, you will be asked to upload the following documents in the MyApplication portal:

- **List of grades of your bachelor's programme**
Upload a transcript of grades from each university you have attended, plus a translation if the original is not in English.
- **Curriculum vitae**
List your education, relevant extracurricular activities, internships and (professional) experience.
- **Letter of motivation**
Provide good arguments for why you want to do this master's programme at Maastricht University and why you expect that you can successfully complete the programme. This letter should be about 1 or 2 pages long.
- **A recent passport picture**
- **A copy of your valid passport or your EU/EEA identity card**

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Dutch HBO degree

Dutch HBO degree in Fiscal Economics

You are required to complete a prerequisite programme at Maastricht University. The Board assesses your background and will propose a prerequisite programme for you. After your application via Studielink, you will be asked to upload the following documents in the MyApplication portal:

- **List of grades of your bachelor's programme**
Upload a transcript of grades from each university you have attended, plus a translation if the original is not in English.
- **Curriculum vitae**
List your education, relevant extracurricular activities, internships and (professional) experience.
- **Letter of motivation**
Provide good arguments for why you want to do this master's programme at Maastricht University and why you expect that you can successfully complete the programme. This letter should be about 1 or 2 pages long.
- **A recent passport picture**
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Relevant Dutch pre-master's programme

Are you following or did you finish a relevant pre-master's programme at [one of these Dutch universities](#)? Make sure to highlight this in your application, since this will give you direct access to one of our master's programmes. After your application via Studielink, you will be asked to upload the following documents in the MyApplication portal:

- **List of grades of your pre-master's and bachelor's programme**
- **Certificate of enrolment for the pre-master's programme**
- **A statement from the university of your pre-master indicating that you have finished the pre-master's programme successfully.** Please use our [standard template](#).
- **A recent passport picture**
- **A copy of your valid passport or your EU/EEA identity card**

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International bachelor's degree

If you have an international bachelor's degree for a university or university of applied sciences, you are eligible for admission. After your application via Studielink, you will be asked to upload the following documents in the MyApplication portal:

- **List of grades of your bachelor's programme**
Upload a transcript of grades from each university you have attended, plus a translation if the original is not in English.
- **Curriculum vitae**
List your education, relevant extracurricular activities, internships and (professional) experience.
- **Letter of motivation**
Provide good arguments for why you want to do this master's programme at Maastricht University and why you expect that you can successfully complete the programme. This letter should be about 1 or 2 pages long.
- **Dutch language exam with sufficient scores**
If Dutch is not your mother tongue, you have to pass the State Examination Dutch as a second language, level II (NT2). [You can register online via DUO](#).
Tip: prepare for the NT2 exam by following a Dutch language course at the [UM Language Centre](#).
- **A recent passport picture**
- **A copy of your valid passport or your EU/EEA identity card**

In addition, Non-EU/-EEA students have to:

- **Pay the €100 [handling fee](#)**
- **Proof of [English proficiency](#)**

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Questions?

Read the [FAQ for master's applicants](#).

If you experienced delays in your studies due to COVID-19, you can enrol in this master's programme before you have completed your prior education. Read more about the ['zachte knip' regulation](#).