Interested in studying at Wageningen University & Research?

This brochure tells you all about what we have to offer, what to expect and how to prepare for your time here as an exchange student.
First... some statistics

- 13,678 students
- 904 English courses
- 113 nationalities
- 35 MSc programmes in English
- 20 BSc programmes of which 7 are completely in English and the rest are partially in English

Wageningen University & Research (WUR) is one of the leading international universities and research institutes in the field of healthy food and the living environment. Here, you will focus on current and future global issues that are of increasing importance to both industry and government.

WUR has an excellent international reputation. More than 50% of the BSc courses and all MSc courses are taught in English. In the field of agricultural sciences WUR has repeatedly ranked as the number one university in the world.

Studying in Wageningen means multi-disciplinary, practically oriented education and personal contact between students and professors.

To facilitate the integration of knowledge from both the university and research institutes, WUR has an innovative campus that is designed to stimulate interaction between students, professors and researchers. As a result, many renowned companies in food and agriculture have their Research & Development departments located on or next to Wageningen Campus.
All the MSc- and the 3rd year BSc-courses are taught in English, as well as many 2nd year BSc courses. Please select on language in WUR’s online study handbook: www.wur.eu/studyhandbook

**Environmental Sciences**
- Climate Studies
- Earth and Environment
- Environmental Sciences*
- Forest and Nature Conservation
- Geo-information Science
- International Land and Water Management*
- Landscape Architecture and Planning
- Soil, Water, Atmosphere*
- Tourism*
- Tourism, Society and Environment
- Urban Environmental Management

**Technology & Nutrition**
- Biobased Sciences
- Biosystems Engineering
- Bioinformatics
- Biotechnology
- Data Science for Food and Health
- Food Safety
- Food Studies
- Food Technology (also available online)*
- Food Quality Management
- Molecular Life Sciences
- Nutritional Epidemiology and Public Health (online)
- Nutrition and Health

**Life Sciences**
- Agroecology
- Animal Sciences*
- Aquaculture and Marine Resource Management
- Biology
- Organic Agriculture
- Plant Biotechnology
- Plant Breeding (online)
- Plant Sciences
- Marine Sciences

**Social Sciences**
- Communication, Health and Life Sciences
- Consumer Studies
- Development and Rural Innovation
- Economics of Sustainability
- Governance of Sustainability Transformations
- International Development Studies
- Supply Chain Analytics
- Sustainable Business and Innovation

* : Fields that offer a BSc completely in English.
The academic year 60 ECTS is divided in six periods varying between 6-12 ECTS. The Autumn term (September) consists of period 1 to 3 and the Spring term (February) consists of period 4 to 6. Exchange students can start or end any study period. Students can select courses as long as they fulfill the prerequisites of the courses.

**Minors**
WUR offers 54 minors at BSc level (programme minors and thematic minors), the majority are taught in English. Please see: www.wur.eu/listofminors

### Deadlines

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<th>1st Semester (start in Sep.)</th>
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### Calendar Academic Year 2023-2024

#### Exam Days 2023-2024

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<td>Period 3</td>
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<td>Resit A (Period 1+2*)</td>
<td>7 to 9 February 2024</td>
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<td>Period 4</td>
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<td>Period 5</td>
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<td>Period 6</td>
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<td>Resit C1 (Period 5)</td>
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<td>Resit C2 (Period 6 ***)</td>
<td>19 to 22 July 2024</td>
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* Course code start with nr 1 or 2
** Course code start with nr 3, 4, 5 or 6
*** Exceptions possible for courses which can’t be graded within 5 days. Exam day 25 or 26 July

#### Holidays 2023-2024

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<td>Easter Sunday</td>
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<td>9 May 2024</td>
<td>Ascension day</td>
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<td>Whit Monday</td>
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<td>22 July - August 30 2024</td>
<td>Summer Holiday</td>
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* Details regarding results will be published in the Study Handbook.
* Individual courses may deviate from the general set-up.
Checklist

1. Check if WUR is a partner institution/has a bilateral agreement for exchange

There should be an inter-institutional agreement for Student Mobility for Study (SMS) between the home university and Wageningen University & Research. Ask your Exchange Coordinator if this is the case. Exchange students should be registered as a regular student at one of the partner universities during their exchange.

2. Check if you fulfil the academic background criteria

Depending on the programme a minimum of 60-120 ECTS should have been completed before the exchange, additionally all students need to fulfil the prerequisites of each selected course (Assumed Knowledge in course descriptions).

3. Check if you fulfil the language criteria

The minimum requirement is English skills at B2 level (CEFR), but we recommend you to obtain C1 before your start in Wageningen. You need to hand in one of the tests mentioned briefly below (check the admission requirements for Level 1 on our website). In some cases it is possible to hand in a certificate from the language centre of your home university stating your level of English.

English proficiency (minimum scores)
- TOEFL internet-based: 80
- IELTS: 6.0
- Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English: C
- Cambridge First Certificate: B
- Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English: C
- German Abitur: 06
- Belgian ADO or TSO: 60
- International Baccalauréat: 3

4. Apply at home university for exchange to WUR (home university selects and nominates)

You need to be eligible to participate in the exchange programme. Your educational institution selects and nominates candidates for student exchange to Wageningen University before the nomination deadline.

5. Apply for student exchange after nomination

You will receive instructions for your online exchange application. Personal guidance is ensured by Incoming Exchange Coordinators who will process your application and be in touch with you about your course selection after you have submitted your application.

Detailed information about the exchange application procedure at WUR, deadlines and how to select courses can be found on our exchange website: www.wur.eu/incoming
Living in Wageningen - facts and figures

Wageningen is a green city centrally located in the Netherlands. It has a small but thriving cultural and social life with theatres, cinemas, student organisations, bars and restaurants. Students, accounting for 20% of the population, turn Wageningen into a university town. Besides this, the many international students, professors and researchers contribute to an international atmosphere. Being a compact town, all university facilities and the city centre are within cycling distance.

- **Population of the Netherlands**: 17,500,000
- **Population of Wageningen**: 39,643
- **Number of international students**: 2,709
- **Official language**: Dutch
- **Language of instruction at WUR**: English & Dutch
- **Currency**: Euro (€)
- **Capital**: Amsterdam
- **National Liberation Day festival**: 5th of May
- **City rights since**: 1263 A.D.
- **Academic institute since**: 1918 A.D.

### Travel time by public transport

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<td>Wageningen city center</td>
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<td>Utrecht central station</td>
<td>46 min.</td>
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<td>Amsterdam central station</td>
<td>75 min.</td>
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<td>Rotterdam central station</td>
<td>95 min.</td>
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<td>Brussels central station</td>
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<td>Paris Gare du Nord</td>
<td>4.5 hrs</td>
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<td>London central station</td>
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<td>Berlin central station</td>
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### Estimated monthly expenses

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<th>Cost</th>
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<td>Rent of student accommodation</td>
<td>€ 300 - € 550</td>
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<td>Health insurance and legal liability insurance</td>
<td>€ 75</td>
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<td>Groceries</td>
<td>€ 350</td>
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<td>Books and study materials</td>
<td>€ 200 per year</td>
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**TOTAL**

About € 1000 per month
Housing

Most students in Wageningen live with others in a corridor of student apartment buildings or in student houses spread all over Wageningen. These corridors and houses have individual student rooms and shared facilities like the kitchen and bathroom. Roommates often cook, eat and socialise together.

Rooms are available through the main student housing cooperation in Wageningen (Idealis), room.nl or on the private market.

Check our housing website for more information and advice on finding housing in Wageningen: www.wur.nl/en/Education-Programmes/future-students/Student-Housing-1.htm. The housing market is tight so please do not wait until the last moment to look for a room.

Annual Introduction Days (AID)

The AID is a great start to your student life in Wageningen. During the introduction days you will discover many things that will help prepare you for your stay in Wageningen. In small groups you’ll get to know the sports associations, student associations, the possibilities for going out, your classmates, WUR and all the other things that Wageningen has to offer.

Besides study-related activities, there are also many other things to do such as a sports day, a cycling tour, a cultural night and a pubquiz. There is a big chance that you will find an organisation that meets your interests and that you can join for the rest of your time in Wageningen! Participating in the AID is an opportunity to make life-long friends and to quickly feel at home.

Website: www.aidwageningen.nl

Immigration information

WUR will check whether you need a residence permit or entry visa during your stay with us. If so, they will do the application for you. Please do not start this procedure yourself, you will get instructions after admittance. The dues are 210 euro, check the requirements below.

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<td>Romania and Bulgaria</td>
<td>NO</td>
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<td>Australia, Canada, Japan, Monaco, New-Zealand, South Korea, USA, Vatican City</td>
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<td>All other countries</td>
<td>YES</td>
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* registration with IND is advised

Sports

From athletics to swimming and from archery to ballroom dancing or the gym, you can do it all in Wageningen. Wageningen University has a large on campus sports centre that facilitates over 60 sports for students and employees. Buy a sportcard for 114 euro per year (or 17.50 euro per month) and you can use all sports facilities. We have 31 student sport associations which you can join by becoming a member (small contribution). For more information see: www.wur.nl/en/sports-centre-de-bongerd.htm
Questions?

For individual student inquiries

Incoming Exchange Coordinators
Marita van den Bergh - contact for USA
Ellen de Jong - contact for Singapore, China and South Korea
Yan Dan (Yans) van het Reve - contact for Thailand, Taiwan and South America (Chile, Brazil and Colombia)

✉️ incoming.exchange@wur.nl

Outgoing Exchange Coordinators
Dennis Duindam - contact for Australia and New Zealand
Sophie Sweers - contact for Canada and Japan
Wouter Venema - contact for South Africa and Israel

✉️ outgoing.exchange@wur.nl

Contact for partners

Contact email address for international partners for negotiation and development of exchange agreements:

✉️ office.studentexchange@wur.nl

General contact information

For general information
🌐 www.wur.eu/exchange

For nominating students (partner universities)
✉️ application.studentexchange@wur.nl

More information about nomination and application deadlines can be found here.

Social media

Facebook: www.facebook.com/studyabroadwur
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