

Master's programme

International Development Studies

Poverty, food insecurity, migration and injustice are just a few of the global challenges we face today. The master's International Development Studies deals with processes of development and change related to livelihoods, agro-food networks and the environment in a dynamic international context.

You learn to work in an interdisciplinary way combining anthropology, sociology, economics, governance studies and communication science. What moves you when it comes to development?



What makes this master's unique?

- A wide variety of themes are studied in this programme, including social unrest, the way people cope with conflicts and disasters, property rights, environmental policy and sustainable use of and access to natural resources
- Bring your knowledge into practice during a four-month internship at an organisation or company in your second year



Want to get to know the university?

Chat with our students, visit one of the (online) open days or join one of our students for a day. Look for all activities at www.wur.eu/meetus

Study programme in numbers



START
September



NUMBER OF STUDENTS
avg. 100 students/year



LANGUAGE
English



STUDY LOAD
12 contact hours, 10 hours for group work and 18 self-study hours (avg. per week)



APPLICATION DEADLINE
non-EU/non-EFTA students:
15 April
Dutch/EU/EFTA students:
15 June



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
www.wur.eu/apply

Specialisations

The master's International Development Studies offers four specialisations. You choose your specialisation based on your educational background and personal interests.

- Sociology of Development
- Inclusive Innovation, Communication and Development
- Politics and Governance of Development
- Economics of Development

Sister programme

MSc International Development Studies is designed for students with a BA or BSc in the social sciences (e.g. sociology, anthropology, political science), or in economics. For students with a technical, life sciences or relevant management background, we offer MSc Development and Rural Innovation.



"I draw on the knowledge and skills acquired in Wageningen, where I developed a passion to contribute to ending poverty and promoting justice, human rights and equality through global partnerships."

Alumnus Luckmore



Other related programmes

MSc Communication, Health and Life Sciences - MSc International Land and Water Management - MSc Tourism, Society and Environment - MSc Management, Economics and Consumer Studies

THE UNIVERSITY IN NUMBERS



6,936

Master's students



108

Nationalities



66%

Dutch



34%

International



43%

Male



57%

Female

Studying in Wageningen

Be part of our international community of students who want to change the world. Together we can find solutions for problems like health and food security, water scarcity, climate change and other environmental and global issues. You are ensured personal guidance throughout your student career. Studying in Wageningen guarantees premium quality education and an international quality benchmark on your curriculum vitae.

www.wur.eu/whywageningen



Structure of the study programme

1st

YEAR (60 credits)

- Compulsory courses
- Specialisation courses to prepare you for your major thesis
- Optional courses/ supporting courses that fit your interest and study background

2nd

YEAR

- Thesis (36 credits)
- Internship or research practice (24 credits)

Your future career

Graduates of the programme are employed as programme or project coordinators, consultants, advisers, policymakers, researchers or trainers. Almost half of the graduates surveyed work as consultant, adviser or project coordinator in the non-profit sector, or as manager or consultant in the private business sector or in the banking sector.

More information

Visit wur.eu/mid
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