Costs of living in Wageningen

On average, overall monthly expenditure is about €1000 which includes:

- Rent of student accommodation: between €300 and €500 per month
- Health insurance and legal liability insurance: approximately €50 per month
- Groceries: approximately €300 per month
- Books and study materials: approximately €200 per year
- Extracurricular activities:

Note that costs of travel to and from the Netherlands and visa costs (€650 for a stay of more than three months) must also be considered.

Application

Research assistants and staff PhD candidates are recruited via vacancy announcements on Academic Transfer.

In other cases candidates start by selecting a Graduate School in which the candidates proposed project fits best.

Subsequently the candidate submits an application to that graduate school which includes:

1. Cover letter describing the motivation to apply.
2. Preliminary research proposal (approximately two pages), containing:
   - Problem definition
   - Research questions
   - Methodology linked to the research questions
   - Up-to-date literature references
3. References from at least two supervisors or professors. The references must contain information regarding the candidate’s performance during the Master programme and should contain a reflection on the candidate’s capacity to finish a PhD in the area of application.
4. Curriculum Vitae, including information on education, research experience and, if applicable, list of publications.
5. Copy of diploma of higher education (both BSc and MSc) minimum requirement being an equivalent of a Master’s degree. Also include transcripts of academic records. An additional official translation is required if the documents are not in English, Dutch, French, German, Spanish or Hungarian.
6. If the candidate is not Dutch, from a non-anglophone country and has not completed the higher education with English as the language of instruction, an internationally recognised Certificate of Proficiency in the English Language should be submitted. Minimum required scores:
   - TOEFL internet-based 90, with minimum sub-score 23 for speaking
   - IELTS 6.5, with minimum sub-score 6.0 for speaking
   - Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English (CAE) with minimum grade B
   - Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE) any grade
7. Photocopy of the candidate’s valid passport.
8. Information on funding. Wageningen University and the Graduate Schools will usually not assist in finding funding sources. There is a much higher chance of being accepted if funding is secured.
9. For Sandwich PhD candidates: Proof of commitment from the home institute.

The Graduate School evaluates the application. After a positive evaluation the application is forwarded to a prospective supervisor (Professor) from Wageningen University, further evaluation. If the application is approved by the supervisor she/he will contact the applicant.

For more information about the application procedure see: http://www.wageningenur.nl/en/Education-Programmes/PhD-Programme/Application.htm

For additional information, please have a look at our website: www.phd.wu.nl
The Wageningen Graduate Schools

The PhD Programme

The Wageningen University five categories of PhD candidates are identified, each category facing a specific funding and support offer from the organization.

2 Staff:

Public relations, information and communication: sustainability, health and quality

3 Sandwich PhD:

Tier 3 PhD candidates who are registered at a Wageningen University institute or in his/her country of residence/origin.

1 wagenering.nl

3 Advanced studies in Food Technology, Agro-Biotechnology, Nutrition and Health Sciences (VIAG)

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Research themes:

• Agro-/geo-sciences
• Plant breeding and sustainable production of crop and animal products

2 Guest PhD:

• Be an Academic Assistant: PhD candidate who is a temporary employee of Wageningen University.

• Knowledge in society: contestation, boundaries and bridging

3 All PhD candidates who are registered at a Wageningen University institute or in his/her country of residence/origin.

4 Staff:

1 PhD candidate not employed by Wageningen University who conducts research at an agency.

1 Wageningen University cannot assist in securing external funding for PhD candidates.

5 External PhD:

2 Tuition fees are levied by science groups/crat groups, which may specify exceptions.

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4 Wageningen School of Social Sciences (WSS)

VIAG aims at developing an integrated understanding of agri-food systems and their role in the quality of life and sustainability and offering solutions for environmental improvement. It is IJMPB’s antwort to eat et al.

WSS researchers work in a variety of social science disciplines and also develop interdisciplinary (beta-gamma) methodologies in these scientific disciplines.

Research themes:

• Disparities: poverty, wealth and distribution
• Responsibility and consumption: sustainability, health and quality
• Knowledge in society: contestation, boundaries and bridging

WSS is engaged in fundamental and strategic research and provides training for young researchers on societal relevance, ranging from ethical, legal, cultural, as well as livelihood and for, experimental animals such as 2009 and for companion animals, and a pet-free housing scheme.

VIWG is a Dutch inter-university project (circular economy) and is also engaged in securing the environment and offers training for young researchers on societal relevance, ranging from ethical, legal, cultural, as well as livelihood and for experimental animals such as 2009 and for companion animals, and a pet-free housing scheme.

VIWG is an active participant in the Dutch inter-university network of environmental research groups: the Research School for the Socio-Economic and Natural Sciences (SENSE). Through SENSE, VIWG PhD candidates can participate in interdisciplinary summer schools offering a broad range of high level courses and opportunities for networking and exchange.

In this PhD Programme, PhD candidates are selected on the basis of their academic qualifications. The PhD Programme at Wageningen University is divided into different disciplines and is structured as follows:

• Research in PE&RC can be divided into four overlapping themes, which range from sub-individual to global levels of integration:

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