

## Important information for non-EU nationality students applying for exchange to Wageningen University

Dear students,

Are you applying for an exchange period at Wageningen University (WUR) and do you have a **non-EU** (European Union) **nationality**? Please read this information carefully!

Please find below important information about the entry visa and/or residence permit you will need to enter the Netherlands, because you have a non-EU nationality.

This is just **general information to prepare you** about costs and requirements.

Wageningen University will apply for an entry visa (MVV) and/or residence permit (VVR) for you **after you have been admitted** (don't start procedures yourself). The International Office of the Student Service Centre (SSC) from Wageningen University will send the application for your entry visa (MVV) and/or residence permit (VVR) to the immigration authorities (IND). The dues for this procedure are **321 Euros**. The International Office of SSC will start the entry visa/residence permit procedure **after your admission** as an exchange student to Wageningen University.

### Proof of financial means:

The Dutch Immigration and Naturalisation Services (IND) require proof that you can financially support yourself during your stay in the Netherlands. The IND sets a minimum amount of **890 Euros** that a student will need for **every month** of his/her stay to pay all costs including books, rent, food, travelling etc. The IND requires financial proof for full months. So be informed that you need to show financial means if you have to apply for an MVV and/or VVR.

Example: If you plan to stay from 15 September until 07 January you need to prove financial means for 5 months (September, October, November, December and January).

### There are 2 ways to prove your financial means:

Option 1 (recommended by WUR):

We recommend to pay the whole amount for your stay to the international office of SSC office using the invoice you will receive **after your admission**. This invoice will include the 321 Euros for the dues and 890 Euros per month living allowance. As soon as you have a Dutch bank account WUR will transfer the living allowance (€890) by monthly instalments to your Dutch bank account. This is the easiest way to proof your liquidity for the duration of your stay.

**If you want to transfer the living allowance and herewith proof to the IND that you can financially support yourself, please pay the full amount of invoice you will receive after your admission.**

Option 2:

If you prefer to provide another proof of liquidity for your stay, you have to proof your liquidity by the underneath options and you still have to pay the dues of 321 Euros required for your entry visa/residence permit.

**Other options to prove that you have enough financial means are:**

- a scholarship letter
- your own financial means (bank statement\*)
- a sponsor (sponsor letter and bank statement\*).

\* Please note a bank statement must be less than 3 months old, has to contain the minimum amount in Euros, cannot be a savings account and must contain a stamp and signature of the bank. Please

check with your bank if this is possible. If the bank statement does not meet the above mentioned requirements, please choose one of the other options instead.

**With this information you can prepare yourself for the costs (321 Euros for the procedure and the proof of financial means per month).**

**Please inform the international office of SSC which option you choose as soon as you have received the invoice after your admission.**

With kind regards,  
The Wageningen University Exchange Team

P.S. please note that if you have a valid residence permit for another Schengen Country\*\*, another procedure applies. Please e-mail the International Office of the Student Service Centre (SSC) at: [internationalstudent@wur.nl](mailto:internationalstudent@wur.nl) to ask for information **after your admission**, please add a scan of the front and back of your residence permit.

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