

# Exchange

Faculty of law  
International Relations Office



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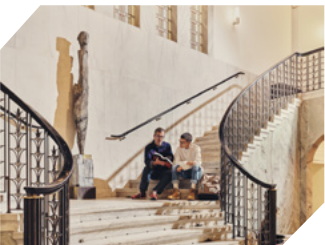
# Diverse and dynamic

Founded in 1976, Maastricht University is the youngest university in the Netherlands, yet it has already achieved a reputation for excellence for its academic programs and learning methods. It is situated in Maastricht. A small city with a rich history and culture, and active social life. Maastricht is known for its flamboyant lifestyle: good food, good living and plenty joie de vivre!



## About the Faculty of Law

The Faculty of Law at Maastricht University consists of approximately 3000 students and 365 staff members. It is the most international oriented law faculty in the Netherlands, with a focus in European, International and Comparative Law. Take a look at our campus: [online campus tour](#)



## A unique learning approach

Maastricht University and its Faculties are best known for the 'Problem-based learning (PBL)' system. Problem-Based Learning (PBL) offers you a different way of learning from traditional university education. You work in small tutorial groups, engage in hands-on training and attend (far) fewer lectures. Under the supervision of a tutor, you team up with ten to fifteen students to tackle real-life cases in the classroom. You engage actively with the subject matter, by interacting with your peers and tutor, enabling you to absorb the material better.



# How to apply

If your home university is an exchange partner of the Faculty of Law of Maastricht University, you can apply for a study abroad period at the International Relations Office of your own university to join us in Maastricht. Once selected by your home university to come on exchange to Maastricht and this is communicated to us directly by your home university, we will send you the online application instructions by email. Only students from our partner universities are allowed to come on exchange to the Faculty of Law of Maastricht University.

For a list of partner universities and more details on our nomination and application procedures, visit our exchange website: [Faculty of Law exchange program - Maastricht University](#)

## Course selection

All the courses offered to exchange students are taught in English. About 30 English taught courses on bachelor's level are available. Most of the courses are 6 ECTS or 11 ECTS and part of our English taught bachelor's program 'European Law school'.

Students holding a valid bachelor's degree in law or who have completed at least 180 ECTS in law courses of a degree in law, can participate in law courses at master's level as well, if they can provide proof of English language proficiency. About 35 English taught law courses on master's level are available, each of them 6 ECTS. Most of these courses are offered in our English taught master's programs 'European Law School' and 'Globalization and Law'.

The normal workload per semester for exchange students following courses worth 6 ECTS is 24-30 ECTS, equal to 4-5 courses. Exchange students planning to follow courses of 11 ECTS, can expect a normal workload of 34 ECTS, if they follow 2 courses of 11 ECTS and two courses of 6 ECTS per semester. For the list of courses, available to exchange students, and for further information about the (language) requirements, visit our exchange website: [Faculty of Law exchange program - Maastricht University](#)

## Accommodation

Maastricht University does not arrange accommodation for students. Students need to arrange accommodation on their own. There are several organisations that can help you find suitable accommodation. For more information, visit: [Find student accommodation with Maastricht Housing and more \(maastrichtuniversity.nl\)](#)



In general, the supply of available student rooms in Maastricht can be very limited around July and August, and December and January. So start your search as early as possible, even in May (if you start your exchange in September) or October (if you start your exchange in February).

While on your search for accommodation, we also recommend you to read these [tips and warnings about finding accommodation in Maastricht](#).

## Study & Living expenses

Your living expenses will depend on your individual lifestyle. We have estimated that an average student will spend about €800 - €1100 per month on basic items.

### Average monthly costs:

Housing €350 - €900; Groceries €250; Telephone costs €25 - 50; Leisure expenses: €100 - 230; Internet €30 - € 50; Transportation €35 - €70; Second hand bike €35 - €100

During your exchange at the Faculty of Law of Maastricht University, you don't have to pay tuition. You only have to pay tuition at your home university.

All in all, you have to have at the very least €4000 - €5000 for a five-month stay, excluding travel costs, health and liability insurance and possible immigration fees.

## Immigration fees

Non-EU exchange students, who are coming on exchange to Maastricht University for more than 90 days, will need to apply for a visa/ residence permit. The Visa office of Maastricht University will help you through every step of the visa/ residence permit application process. These services are free of charge. However, you must pay the legal fees of €228 for the visa/ residence permit and you must be able to prove that you have enough funds to cover at least €1,250 per month for rent, food and insurances. For more information about the visa/ residence permit procedure, please visit the following website: [Visa / legal residence - Maastricht University](#)





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**Any questions?**

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