Do you want to exceed expectations?

Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences (Hogeschool Rotterdam) is located in the western part of the Netherlands, which is also home to the biggest harbor in Europe. Rotterdam University hosts approximately 30,000 students at this moment. Numbers are still rising and you could be part of that!

Next to bachelor degrees, Rotterdam University also offers master degrees and exchange programmes. There are 13 different faculties, the so-called ‘Schools’, offering a wide range of programmes and the University has 7 different campus locations throughout the city of Rotterdam.

The students of Rotterdam University can use the wide range of facilities offered by the university on every location, such as access to free computer and internet, excellent library services and student cafeterias.

In addition to this, the city of Rotterdam is very attractive for students. It is a dynamic city bustling with activity. Attractions, festivals, concerts, theatre performances and events take place the whole year round in the modern city centre. Rotterdam has a wide range of museums, cafés, restaurants and other places of entertainment, what makes it a perfect university city.

Are you ready to join us? Read more about the programmes offered by Rotterdam University and about the Netherlands in general in this handbook.

We are looking forward to welcoming you at the Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences!

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Welcome to the Netherlands!

Groot geworden door klein te blijven

This is what the Dutch say and what can be translated into ‘Become big by staying small’. Although the Netherlands is small in size, it has a rich cultural tradition and is today one of the world’s most prosperous countries.

For decades the country’s historical ties with other parts of the world has brought foreigners to settle in the Netherlands, bringing some of their own ideas and cultures. This makes the Dutch generally open-minded and tolerant. The Dutch society is now home to over 190 different nationalities.

Facts & Figures
Surface area: 41,528 km²
Population: 17 million
Capital city: Amsterdam
Official language: Dutch
Currency: Euro
Highest point: 323m (Vaalserberg)
Lowest point: -6.7m (Nieuwerkerk aan den IJssel)

Rotterdam
Rotterdam is the largest port in Europe and a multicultural city in the western part of the Netherlands. It is the second largest Dutch city with more than 600,000 inhabitants.

Rotterdam was founded in the mid-13th century after a dam had been constructed in the river Rotte on the site of the present Hoogstraat. Rotterdam received municipal rights in 1340 and over the centuries Rotterdam grew from a fishing village into an international centre of trade, transport, industry and distribution. At the beginning of the Second World War, on 14 May 1940, virtually the entire city centre was devastated by German bombs. This explains why there are scarcely any pre-war buildings in this part of Rotterdam. After the war, reconstruction of what had been destroyed was given the highest priority.

Now, almost seventy years later, a new, modern city centre has risen from the ashes. The avant-garde architecture is famous at home and abroad. Rotterdam has become a dynamic city bustling with activity.

The Erasmus bridge and a view of Rotterdam by night
Higher education in the Netherlands

The higher educational system in the Netherlands consists of two types of higher education: Research Universities and Universities of Applied Sciences. The education at a Research University has a more theoretical approach whereas a University of Applied Sciences combines theoretical with practical work to enforce a good foundation for working life and preparing students directly for specific professions.

Rotterdam University

Rotterdam University is a University of Applied Sciences and ranked among the top five of such universities in the country in terms of size. It is a truly multidisciplinary University which is able to offer the most important courses in every sector (with the exception of agricultural studies). No matter what exchange programme you choose, there will always be a clear emphasis on practice.

There are set assessment periods at Rotterdam University. Usually a final grade consists of an average of grades given for project work, presentations and tests. Resits are possible at the end of the semester. If you receive a grade lower than 5.5 (out of 10) you have failed the course and you need to take a resit.

ECTS

The student work load is measured by ECTS (European Credit Transfer System). An annual workload of 1,600 hours is worth 60 ECTS credits. A student will be awarded with 60 ECTS per year, 30 ECTS per semester or 20 ECTS per term (in a trimester system) when the student has passed all the modules.

Dutch grading system

The grading system has remained unchanged for several decades: the scale ranges from 1 (very poor) to 10 (excellent). The lowest passing grade for a module is 5.5. Credits are linked to passed modules and are awarded only once. If a module consists of partial modules, the average of the partial modules must be 5.5 or higher. In project education the results of all tasks must be sufficient.

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**Study abroad at Rotterdam University**

Rotterdam University is located in the centre of Rotterdam. The 7 main university sites are all close to the metro line, which crosses Rotterdam from east to west. Our University offers a wide choice of well-equipped and modern theoretical and practical courses. Over 75 programmes are offered in total, in almost all major professional sectors; chemical and technical engineering, building and architecture, media and ICT, economics, financial management, business studies, education, health care, social work and arts. In all their variety, the programmes share a common educational vision, focusing on interaction between the programmes and interdisciplinary educational programmes. The University wants to be firmly rooted in society and educates students who combine knowledge and professional skills with social responsibility. Education at Rotterdam University is, therefore, closely intertwined with specific issues facing the international and multicultural business and port city of Rotterdam.

**Application information**

The application periods are twice a year:
- Spring semester: 1 October – 1 November
- Fall semester: 1 April – 1 May

You can apply for the exchange programmes on the website of Rotterdam University, but only after you’ve been nominated by your home university first. Please note that the online application form is not available after the deadline.
**Exchange programmes**
In the table you can find the exchange programmes which are offered at Rotterdam University.

If you want a more detailed explanation of the programmes please go to the following Rotterdam University link: [https://www.rotterdamuas.com/programmes?cat=Exchange](https://www.rotterdamuas.com/programmes?cat=Exchange)

**Language requirements**
Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences requires a good level of English, as all exchange programmes are conducted in English. International students are required to have a good command of the English language level, e.g. similar to CEFR B2 (or B1 after consultation), IELTS 6.0 or TOEFL (550 / iBT 80 / 213 cBT).

Students with a Chinese nationality must provide a Nuffic Certificate to be eligible for a Dutch entry visa and enroll in an English-taught study programme. For more information on this subject, please read our website and Nuffic’s carefully.

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<td>International Management and Consultancy</td>
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<td>Trade Management for Asia (TMA)</td>
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Academic calendar

Introductions for the Fall semester will most likely take place at the end of August/the beginning of September. For the Spring semester this most likely will take place in the first week of February. However, please note that some programmes organise their own introduction and dates may vary. **Specific dates will be announced in the Letter of Acceptance, so please check the dates carefully before making travel arrangements.**

Classes 2016/2017

1st Quarter  
29 August 2016 – 11 November 2016

2nd Quarter  
14 November 2016 – 3 February 2017

Note: Some programmes end one or two weeks earlier. IBEX and #GetConnected end 23 December 2016

Holidays  
Fall break  
17 – 21 October 2016

Christmas break  
26 December 2016 – 6 January 2017
Facilities of Rotterdam University

Rotterdam University offers a lot of facilities to the Dutch students. The incoming exchange students can also benefit from all these facilities.

Rotterdam University Library

Every location of Rotterdam University has its own library. You can use your student card to borrow books and use the database to search for useful information. Exchange students who study at the location Kralingse Zoom can even use the library of the Erasmus University at the campus Woudestein.

Other Libraries

The Municipal Library has a vast collection of books, audio-visual materials, periodicals and newspapers. You can also reserve one of the many study rooms (including a piano study room) where you can study undisturbed and in peace for a few hours. At the Erasmus University campus Woudestein Library there is a computer catalogue linked to the catalogue of the Municipal Library.

Computers

Upon arrival in Rotterdam you will receive a computer account. With this account you will be able to log in on all the computers in the Rotterdam University buildings and you can make use of email and internet. You can also log in on the system from your home or another place outside the university buildings.

Copiers

The copiers in the buildings are available to all users and payment is by means of a bank Card or student card. At each location of Rotterdam University there is also located a copy shop -called Xerox Centre. For printing theses, reports, A3 copies, colour copies, overhead sheets, etc. you can contact the Xerox Centre to save time and money.

Student cafeterias and restaurants

Each location of Rotterdam University has its own student cafeteria, restaurant or even its own café and the payment is by means of a bank card or student card. A café in the Netherlands is what the British call a pub, and the Americans a bar. Rotterdam has hundreds of cafés, spread all over the city. The diversity is enormous. You can spend your evening in a so-called bruin café (pub), in one of the grand cafes or in any other kind of café. People from Rotterdam go to a café to meet friends and acquaintances, to make new friends, to play cards or billiards or simply to chat all evening. During the summer most people go to a café with a terrace, to sit outside and enjoy the beautiful evening.

Sports

Arrangements have been made with the Erasmus University Rotterdam (EUR) campus Woudestein at Kralingse Zoom; you can make use of their sport facilities by purchasing an Erasmus Sport Pass. The EUR offers more than 50 different sports. For more information and the prices (special offer HBO students), please visit the following website:

www.erasmussport.nl/en_GB
Living in Rotterdam

The living expenses in Rotterdam and in the rest of the Netherlands are similar to the other countries of the Northern European region. Your daily expenses include food, public transport, school books, clothes and leisure. But you also need to take into account the costs for housing and insurances. Experience has shown that students, who live and study in the Netherlands for one year, spend between €800 and €1,100 a month.

We advise you to make a budget before arrival. Some of the costs you have to take into account:

- **Food:** €200
- **Accommodation:** €350-500*
- **Leisure:** €150
- **Transport:** €40-100
- **Total:** €740-950

* Price per month of the accommodation of Rotterdam University

Are you interested in more budgeting information? Take a look at: [www.studyinholland.nl/practical-matters/daily-expenses](http://www.studyinholland.nl/practical-matters/daily-expenses)

Accommodation

Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences offers in collaboration with SSH housing to international (exchange) students enrolled in one of the study programmes.

SSH is responsible for the registration process of the student accommodation. Please be aware that accommodation is on a “first come, first served” basis. The application for the Fall semester will open May 18th 2016, after receiving your Letter of Acceptance. You will receive more information by email.

Please be aware that the rental dates are set. For more information, please visit our website or send an email to our Housing Officer.

Students will also need to register and to deregister with the municipality if they are renting a room in Rotterdam. You will receive more information about this during the introduction. In case you decide not to arrange housing through the university (in collaboration with SSH), there are a lot of real estate agencies and other organisations to help you find accommodation. We have added the links of these companies at the end of this handbook.

Easiest form of transportation

You can save a lot of money if you buy a bike upon arrival. Most people in the Netherlands use it because it is the easiest and fastest form of transportation in the city area.

We advise you to buy a second-hand bike to minimise the risk of theft and because of the minimum price of €25. Also, make sure to buy a good lock. There are various places where you can buy a second hand bike. A shop we recommend is Mega Bike located near metro station Oostplein. You can visit the shop or call Mega Bike and ask for used bikes:

Mega Bike Rotterdam
Burgemeester van Walsumweg 2
3011 MZ Rotterdam
Phone: +31 10 4763743

There is also a bike shop right next to the central train station in Rotterdam (Rotterdam CS):

Rijwielshop Rotterdam CS
Conradstraat 18
3013 AP Rotterdam

There are several websites (Dutch) that you can check for used bikes: [www.marktplaats.nl](http://www.marktplaats.nl) or [www.2dehands.nl](http://www.2dehands.nl)
Public transportation

Next to a lot of cycle paths Rotterdam has tram and bus lines running throughout the city and its surroundings. And Rotterdam has also 5 underground (metro) lines, running from north to south, from east to west of the city and between Rotterdam and The Hague. All locations of Rotterdam University are situated nearby one of these metro lines.

If you choose to use the public transportation in the Rotterdam area, you need to purchase an OV chip card.

For more information regarding public transportation and the OV chip card please visit:

www.9292.nl For timetables of the train, metro, tram, bus and other ways of transportation in the Netherlands
www.NS.nl National railway website
www.RET.nl Public Transport Rotterdam website
www.ov-chipkaart.nl Information about the OV chip card
Practical information

If this handbook strengthened your enthusiasm and you are truly interested in studying in Rotterdam, there are some things you’ll need to arrange and some information that is very useful to know.

Residence permit
If you are a citizen of a non-EU/EEA country and you would like to stay in the Netherlands for a period longer than 3 months, you have to arrange a residence permit. The department Student Support from Centre of International Affairs will help you with this. After you have applied online for an exchange programme, you will receive all the necessary documents you have to fill in and return before the following deadlines:

- For the Fall semester the deadline is set on 1 June
- For the Spring semester the deadline is set on 1 December

Registration municipality
When you are staying for more than 4 months you will have to go to the municipality to register as a new resident of the city where you are living.

Required documents:
- Valid passport
- Original legalised birth certificate*
- GBP application form
- Rental contract (huurcontract) and tenancy agreement (verhuurdersverklaring)
- Residence permit (if applicable)

You will receive the last three documents upon your arrival.

*Needs to be translated in English, French, German or Dutch and legalised or with apostille.

Bank account
Students who want to open a bank account are free to choose a bank in the Netherlands. Yet we advise our international students to open an account either at the ING or ABN AMRO.

Officially you need to bring:
- A valid passport
- Your Dutch social security number (you will receive this after registering with the municipality)
- Official proof of your address, e.g. tenancy agreement

Health Care
The Health Care system is very well organised in the Netherlands. In case you have a health insurance as an European Citizen your basic health insurance will be valid in the Netherlands. For this you should obtain an E111 form from your health service in your own country and bring it with you. If you don’t have one yet or you have a non-EU nationality, you should arrange a health insurance in your home country or in the Netherlands. Students can also apply for an insurance through CoIA. The university is working together with the insurance company AON. For more information, please contact our CoIA - Student Support team.

Please note that you have to pay for your treatment instantly and you have to send the bill to your insurance company to get your refund.

Bank card
Once you’ll go shopping, you will notice the Dutch use their bank cards a lot. So for you, it could also be very useful to open a bank account. Students opening a bank account will receive a bank card and a PIN code from the bank in order to make payments.

Student card
The student card is a valid identification within our university and is also your proof of enrollment. You will have to show your student card upon request from staff, e.g. when using university facilities. The student card can also be used in order to make payments at our university e.g. at the cafeterias. Furthermore, you can get discounts with your student card outside the university.
In case of an emergency
If you need to see a doctor (huisarts in Dutch) we suggest you’d go and see General Practice DWL – De Esch or Doctor Mr. Oudeman, as they have treated our foreign students before. The contact information is as follows:

General Practice DWL - De Esch
Rijnwaterstraat 10
3036 HC Rotterdam
Phone: 010 452 63 63

Doctor Mr. Oudeman
‘s-Gravendijkwal 24
3014 EB Rotterdam
Phone: 010 43 622 43 (when closed: 010 42 01 00)
Phone: 010 46 695 73 (evening & weekends)

If you need a dentist (tandarts in Dutch) please contact Mr. de Bruijn:

Westersingel 96
3015 LC Rotterdam
Phone: 010 43 606 54

Please note that if you visit a dentist or doctor (GP) you will need to pay cash. Don’t forget to ask for the receipts as your insurance company will need these.

Emergency number: 112 (ambulance, fire department, police) In case of an immediate emergency. Please do not abuse this number!

Telephone number police: 0900 – 8844
If it isn’t an emergency, but when you do need the police.

Please let us know if you have any problems, we might be able to help you.
The Dutch language

Common Phrases
For now we have some basic phrases to help you during your stay in the Netherlands:

### Common phrases

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<td>How are you?</td>
<td>Hoe is het?</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fine, thank you</td>
<td>Goed, dank u</td>
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<td>What is your name</td>
<td>Hoe heet u?</td>
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<td>My name is ..</td>
<td>Mijn naam is ..</td>
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<td>Pardon</td>
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<td>Dank u</td>
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<td>Aangenaam</td>
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<td>Nice to meet you</td>
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<td>Ik spreek geen Nederlands</td>
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Understanding the Dutch

One thing you will notice about people in the Netherlands is their straightforward approach and open-mindedness. The Dutch take pride in this way of life and respect from visitors towards it is appreciated.

Drugs
Unfortunately the Netherlands is known for its “open policy” towards drugs. However, it is not as open as you think!

Go to the following website and learn more about this policy: www.government.nl/issues/drugs

At Rotterdam University we do not condone drug use and abuse!

Curiosities
The Dutch tend to be straightforward when they communicate. This might come across as rude, but it is certainly not intended this way!

You will always be welcome in a Dutch home, as long as you make an appointment. The Dutch use their agenda’s a lot to make appointments. Why not blend in and buy an agenda?

Dutch cuisine
As progressive the Dutch have been in history, as blend is the Dutch cuisine. In the morning and during the day we mainly eat sandwiches with various fillings, savory like Gouda cheese or sweet like peanut butter or chocolate sprinkles called hagelslag.
A typical Dutch meal consists of potatoes, vegetables and meat blended together, a so called prakkie or stamppot. We usually eat our prakkies during dinner around 6 pm.

Some typical Dutch food:
- Boerenkoolstamppot met worst
- Hutspot
- Haring

Some typical Dutch snacks are:
- Kroket
- Bitterballen
- Frikandel
- Knakworst
- Patat met mayo

Typical Dutch candy and sweets are:
- Drop
- Tompouce
- Stroopwafels

And don’t forget to have some poffertjes, these are mini pancakes we eat with butter and powdered sugar.

A large variety of nationalities is living in the Netherlands and every nationality has brought their cuisine with them, so you can enjoy all these different cuisines. Be sure to try some great Surinam, Turkish, Japanese, Chinese or Italian food (amongst many other cuisines)!

Did you know that …
… the Netherlands and Holland are used to describe the same country?
… 26% of the Netherlands is below sea level?
… the Netherlands has at least 15,000 km of cycle tracks?
… the Netherlands was the first country that legalized gay marriage and gay adoption?
… the Netherlands still has about 1,000 traditional working windmills?
… Amsterdam has 1,281 bridges?
… the Netherlands has nearly 1,000 museums?
… when your plane arrives at Schiphol, it lands 4.5 meters below sea level?
Useful websites

Websites to Rotterdam University
www.rotterdamuas.com Website of Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences
https://www.rotterdamuas.com/study-information/meet-us/student-services/
Centre of International Affairs (CoIA) https://rotterdamuas.com/about/rotterdam-uas/ Movie Rotterdam UAS

Websites about the Netherlands
www.holland.com/global/tourism.htm General information about the Netherlands
www.visitholland.nl General information about the Netherlands
www.rotterdam.info Rotterdam tourism board
www.amsterdam.info Amsterdam tourism board

Websites to help in the everyday life
www.justlanded.com/english/Netherlands To help you manage everyday life
www.studyin.nl Information about studying in the Netherlands
www.studyinholland.nl/practical-matters For all practical matters
www.youtube.com/studyinholland Study In Youtube Channel

Housing websites
https://www.rotterdamuas.com/study-information/practical-information/accommodation/ Student Housing Office of Rotterdam University
www.housinganywhere.com International housing platform

Student organisations
www.rbsrisa.nl International student association
http://www.erasmussport.nl/en_GB Sports organisation located next to the university's location Kralingse Zoom

Health care
www.students-insurance.eu/students/en/ Health care insurance
www.studentsinsured.com/en Health care insurance

Transportation
www.9292.nl For tickets, information about the OV chip card and timetables of the train, metro, tram, bus and other ways of transportation
www.ret.nl/en/homepage.html Rotterdam transport organisation
www.ns.nl/en/travellers/home The national railway company
www.marktplaats.nl Website for second hand bicycles and other things
www.2dehands.nl Website for second hand bicycles and other things

Dutch news and regulations
www.dutchnews.nl/ To check what’s happening in the Netherlands
www.govemment.nl/issues/drugs Alcohol and drugs policy

Discounts
www.rotterdampas.nl/ The Rotterdampas (Rotterdam card) gives you the opportunity to do a lot of fun things in Rotterdam for free or with a discount. Buy a Rotterdampas (in combination with your student card) for only €12.50 instead of €60.-. (Website only available in Dutch)
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