

Study Programme Choice Check Regulations

for applicants starting in the academic year 2025-2026

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Student Services

Introduction

These Regulations takes effect from September 1 and replaces the regulations Study Choice Check 2024-2025.

The Regulations apply to every applicant for the academic year 2025-2026.

The Executive Board established the Regulations on 14 Mai 2024 for a year, having obtained the approval of the Central Participation Council on 18 June 2024.

The Study Programme Choice Check Regulations are based on Sections 7.31a to 7.31d of the Higher Education and Research Act (WHW) and the memo entitled 'Every student in the right place' of 25 February 2022.



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Article 1 Purpose

The purpose of the study programme choice check is to support applicants during the study programme choice process.

Article 2 Definitions

Application	Submission of a request to enrol as a student for a study programme via Studielink.
Applicant	A prospective student who submits a request to enrol for a study programme via Studielink.
Contact moment	Contact between the applicant and the relevant study programme during the study programme choice check.
Eligibility	An applicant is eligible for admission provided they meet the statutory admission requirements for higher vocational education. These statutory admission requirements are set out in the Regulations on Admission and Enrolment.
Study Programme Choice Check advice	Advice provided upon completion of a study programme choice check.
Study Programme Choice Check	The study programme choice check is an activity aimed at supporting the student when making a conscious study programme choice.

Article 3 Users of the study programme choice check

The study programme choice check applies to all applicants who have submitted an application for the propaedeutic phase of a Bachelor's study programme or for the first teaching period of an Associate degree programme with a study load of 60 credits. Those exempt from using the study choice check are applicants to a study programme for which a selection procedure is required¹.

Article 4 How the study choice check works

1. Every applicant is entitled to participate in a study programme choice check.
2. Every applicant receives a message within four working weeks of submitting a request for enrolment detailing the procedure for the study choice check for that particular study programme
3. The study programme choice check is organised by the relevant study programme.
4. The time of the study choice check and the form of contact moment are dependent on the study programme. The study programme informs the student in writing or orally after the registration about the nature and content of the study programme choice check.
5. In case travelling the distance between the place of residence and the place where the study choice activities take place is inconvenient for an applicant, the study programme will make such arrangements that he or she can participate in the study choice activities without his or her physical presence being required. Should such a situation arise, the student will need to contact the study programme.
6. The study programme choice check is free of charge and voluntary, although the program does value sound advice.

¹ This does not include an applicant to a study programme with a fixed number of places and decentralised selection who has not been able to complete a selection procedure because the number of applications was lower than the number of places.

Article 5 Study Programme Choice Check advice

1. After the contact moment, the study programme choice check advice is transmitted to the applicant either by email or verbally, and registered in Osiris, within ten working days. This process is completed no later than 31 August for a study programme with a September intake, or no later than 31 January for a study programme with a February intake.
2. There are three possible types of outcomes that are registered:
 - Positive advice, meaning that the applicant may study at Zuyd University of Applied Sciences.
 - Positive advice with suggestions, meaning that the applicant may study at Zuyd University of Applied Sciences, but with justified suggestions.
 - Non-participation.
3. The advice is valid only for the academic year of registration.
4. The advice from the study programme choice check does not say anything regarding a student's eligibility for the relevant study programme and is never a reason for refusal.

Article 6 Complaints and objections

Applicants may lodge complaints or objections through the Legal Protection service desk (Loket Rechtsbescherming), using the following address:

Zuyd Hogeschool,
T.a.v. het Loket Rechtsbescherming
Postbus 550
6400 AN Heerlen

The Legal Protection service desk can also be contacted at rechtsbescherming@zuyd.nl.