



# Regulations for tuition fees 2025-2026

## Status:

- *Indexation of the statutory tuition fees is in accordance with the Statistics Netherlands ('CBS') Index. The amounts for the statutory tuition fees will be in accordance with the publication in the Government Gazette ('Staatscourant') ( 7<sup>th</sup> June 2024)*
- *Institutional tuition fees are 78.8% indexed based on Higher Education wage room developments as reimbursed in government funding and 21.2% indexed based on the average percentage change in the consumer price index over the period may-april, as determined by Statistics Netherlands. This calculation fits in with the indexation of statutory tuition fees as laid down in implementing decision WHW.*
- *Adopted by the board of governors on 11 June 2024.*
- *The student party of the central participation council has advised positively on policy in respect of institutional tuition fees on 20 June 2024.*

## 1. Context

The Higher Education and Research Act (Dutch: 'Wet op het Hoger Onderwijs en Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek', WHW) contains the legal criteria on the basis of which a student is eligible for the legally-specified statutory tuition fees upon registration for a financed programme in higher professional education.

Students who do not meet these criteria owe institutional tuition fees.

Because the Act also determined that educational institutions will no longer receive funding for these students, the Act grants the institution governors some freedom to determine the level of institutional tuition fees. The student party of the central participation council has prior recommendation authority in respect of decisions on the policy in respect of institutional tuition fees.

In the regulations for tuition fees it is determined that Fontys will charge institutional tuition fees to students who on the basis of statutory criteria are no longer eligible to study at the statutory tuition fees rate.

## 2. Who is eligible for the statutory tuition fees?

Statutory tuition fees are payable by students who meet the following criteria:

a. Nationality requirement

The student belongs to one of the groups of individuals as intended in article 2.2. of the Student Financing Act 2000 (Dutch: 'Wet Studiefinanciering 2000') (i.e. students with EEA or Swiss nationality) or the student has Surinam nationality;

**AND**

b. Degree not yet obtained

The student registering for an associate degree programme has not previously obtained an Associate Degree, Bachelor's Degree or Master's degree.

The student registering for a Bachelor programme has not previously obtained a Bachelor's Degree. A student registering for a Master programme has not previously obtained a Master's degree.

This relates to degrees (or equivalent certificates) from financed Dutch universities or universities of applied sciences since 1991, as entered in the register educational participants (Dutch: Register Onderwijsdeelnemers, ROD).

The condition referred to in sub b. does not apply to students following an associate degree-, bachelor- or master programme in the field of education or health care, for the first time. This means that students who have obtained a degree in a field other than health care and education, may follow a programme in one of the fields of health care or education subject to statutory tuition fees only once. The table below indicates which fees will apply for this specific group:

<b>1<sup>st</sup> degree obtained (associate degree, bachelor or master):</b>	<b>Student follows 2<sup>nd</sup> programme in the field of:</b>	<b>Tuition fees 2<sup>nd</sup> programme:</b>
Field other than health care and education	Health care or Education	Statutory tuition fees
Master in health care or education	Bachelor in health care or education	Statutory tuition fees
Bachelor in health care or education	Master in health care or education	Statutory tuition fees
Master in health care or education	Master in health care or education	Institutional tuition fees
Bachelor in health care or education	Bachelor in health care or education	Institutional tuition fees
Master, Bachelor or Associate degree in health care or education	Associate degree in health care or education	Institutional tuition fees

In addition to criteria for statutory tuition fees as referred to above, additional (statutory) regulations apply to the following specific groups:

- Students who have started a second study programme while following a first study programme are permitted to complete this study programme, if uninterrupted, subject to payment of the statutory tuition fees.
- Students who have completed an initial study programme subject to statutory tuition fees and subsequently, during the same academic year, start a second study programme can study for the remainder of the academic year in question subject to statutory tuition fees. In the next academic year, they will pay institutional tuition fees.

### 3. The level of statutory tuition fees

Statutory tuition fees (associate degree, bachelor, master) [1]	
Full-time	€ 2.601
Dual	€ 2.601
Part-time	€ 2.395 [2]

[1] The increase in respect of the previous academic year is based on price indexing at 2.8%, based on the yearly average of the consumer price index over the period of may 2023 till and including april 2024.

[2] For part-time programmes, a bandwidth has been laid down in law. For 2025-2026, this bandwidth is based on the same indexation and is set between € 1.549 and € 2.601.

#### 4. The level of institutional tuition fees

Institutional tuition fees [1] for students who:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DO NOT meet the nationality requirement (art. 2a Tuition fee regulations) or</li> <li>have already obtained a higher education degree (art. 2b Tuition fee regulations)</li> </ul>		
with the exception of the following programmes:		
<b>Full-time</b>  <b>€ 9.740</b>	<u>Bachelor and Associate Degree</u> (Fontys Engineering, Fontys Information and Communication Technology, Fontys Technology and Logistics, and Fontys Natural Sciences)	<b>€ 12.480</b>
	B HBO-ICT and Ad-ICT (Information & Communication Technology) B Informatica (Information Technology)	
	B Elektrotechniek (Electrical and Electronic Engineering) B Automotive	
	B Mechatronica (Mechatronics) (Industrial Design Engineering) B Toegepaste Wiskunde (Applied Mathematics) B Technische Natuurkunde (Engineering Physics)	
	B Werktuigbouwkunde (Mechanical Engineering) B Logistics Engineering Ad Logistics	
	<u>Master (Fontys Engineering, and Fontys Information and Communication Technology)</u> M Digital Technology Engineering M System Design M Applied IT	
	<u>Bachelor (Fontys Academy of the Arts):</u> B Circus and Performance Art B Muziek (Music) B Vormgeving (Design) B Docent Beeldende Kunst en Vormgeving (Fine Art and Design in Education)	<b>€ 12.480</b>
	B Docent Theater (Theatre in Education) B Dans (Dance) B Docent Dans (Dance in Education) B Docent Muziek (Music in Education)	
	<u>Master (Fontys Academy of the Arts):</u> M Music M Performing Public Space	<b>€ 8.570</b>
	<u>Master (Fontys Academy for the Creative Economy)</u> M Strategic Communication for Business and Society	<b>[2]</b>
	<u>Bachelor (Fontys Teacher Training for Secondary Education Tilburg and Fontys Social Studies)</u> B Theology	<b>€ 2.601</b>

<b>Part-time and Dual</b>  <b>€ 7.270</b>	<b>with the exception of the following programmes:</b>		
	<u>Master (OSO):</u> M Educational Needs	<u>Master (Fontys Academy of the Arts):</u> M Architecture M Urbanism M Kunsteducatie (Education in Arts) M Choreography (with Codarts Rotterdam)	<b>€ 8.570</b>
	<u>Bachelor (Fontys Academy of the Arts):</u> B Docent Beeldende Kunst en Vormgeving (Fine Art and Design in Education)		<b>€ 12.480</b>
	<u>Bachelor (Fontys Teacher Training for Secondary Education Tilburg and Fontys Social Studies)</u> B Theology		<b>€ 2.395</b>

[1] Based on price indexing at 5,33%.

[2] The rate for the academic year 2025-2026 for the fulltime Master programme Strategic Communication for Business and Society will be determined in consultation with Hogeschool Stenden.

## 5. Other amounts

Extraneï [1]	<b>€ 1.292</b>

[1] amount indexed by 2.8% as compared to academic year 2024-2025.