

ABOUT THE NETHERLANDS

Or is it Holland? Whichever name you use, one thing is certain. With over 170 nationalities, it's a very multicultural society. Over 85,000 foreign students study here each year. That makes Holland the perfect place for sharing knowledge, ideas and cultures. It's also a very safe country. In fact, it is one of the 25 safest countries in the world.

The Dutch character? Open, friendly and direct. Almost everyone speaks English along with another foreign language, like German or French. So you don't have to learn Dutch to study here. As a foreign student you'll notice how welcoming and tolerant the Dutch are. This mentality has been engrained in the Dutch culture throughout its rich, international history.

What else can we tell you about this small but lively country? It has a strong and stable economy. And a highly innovative, entrepreneurial climate. In fact, Holland is the 4th most competitive economy in the world. No wonder economics is the most popular area of study for foreign students. Second most popular? Science and technology.



EDUCATION IN THE NETHERLANDS

Known for its high-quality education and research, along with its international study environments, the Netherlands has 2 main types of higher education institutions: research universities and universities of applied sciences. So, what's the difference?

Research universities focus solely on the independent practice of research-oriented work in an academic or professional setting. Universities of applied sciences offer their students professional courses in the areas of applied arts and sciences. Research is also carried out at universities of applied sciences, but it's always practice-based and aimed at renewing professional practice. And research is directly integrated into the study programs.



STUDYING AT HAN

HAN is one of the biggest Universities of Applied Sciences in The Netherlands. Our goal is to stimulate you to discover who you really are, what your talents are and where your passion lies. We educate young professionals, to get them ready for their future!

THEORY AND PRACTICE

At HAN University of Applied Sciences, theory and practice go hand in hand. First you dive into the theory. Then you put it into practice. Giving you not only the knowledge but also the skills and experience to deal with real issues in practice.

Professional field

HAN works closely with the professional field. What that means for you? You get to solve real problems for companies and work on real international cases. You'll know how to deal with colleagues and with different cultures within companies. Not only your knowledge, but also your skills will be raised to a professional level. Through our connection with the professional field, we continually innovate and stay up to date on the latest demands. Which means that you as a student will be ready to meet those demands straight away.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Being a HAN student is about discovering who you are, what your talents are and what truly motivates you. It's about building something together that's larger than yourself. Alongside the professional knowledge you gain during your studies, you also learn to further develop your own talents. On a personal and professional level. So, when you graduate you're totally ready. Confident. Responsible. Engaged. Are you ready to make a difference?

STUDY COACHING AND COUNSELING

We want you to truly benefit from studying at HAN. To achieve the best possible results. That's why we offer study coaching throughout all years of study. Guiding you in your personal development.



CAMPUS CITIES

The HAN campuses are divided over 2 cities: Arnhem and Nijmegen. A disadvantage? Not at all. The campuses are only 1 hour from each other by public transport. The ultimate chance to get to know more of the Netherlands!

Arnhem

Business and engineering programs are taught at HAN's Arnhem campus. This campus is located in the middle of a large park and has beautiful green surroundings. Arnhem is the green and bustling capital of the province of Gelderland. With a population of around 160,000, the city has plenty to offer. Whether you're into fashion or history, museums or pubs, concerts or nightclubs. And with its lovely green surroundings, you can also enjoy nature at its best.

Nijmegen

Life sciences and social studies programs are located at the Nijmegen campus. This campus is within easy reach of the city center. Just a few minutes by bus or train or 10 minutes by bike.

Nijmegen is a lively university town with a great atmosphere. Just wander through its beautiful old streets and you'll feel its rich history. Looking for a charming pub or restaurant, a bit of culture or a great night out? Nijmegen has all this and more. Keen on sport or nature? Nijmegen has loads of sports clubs and is surrounded by beautiful forests full of hiking and bicycle trails.

SCHOOLS

HAN has 14 schools. The degree programs, research teams and professional field join forces to tackle a range of social issues. By working together in schools, we offer our students the best of the best. And we come up with solutions that benefit us all.

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

The International School of Business trains students to become young professionals with strong commercial, personal and social skills. The environment is international and individual-focused. We work closely with partner universities abroad and with the international business community. [More info](#)

SCHOOL OF ALLIED HEALTH

The School of Allied Health contributes to a healthy region; a region where people can participate in their communities and lead productive and meaningful lives. We do this together with the professional field of allied healthcare, with partners in the public sector and with the business community. [More info](#)

SCHOOL OF APPLIED BIOSCIENCES AND CHEMISTRY

The School of Applied Biosciences and Chemistry offers biomedical and chemical laboratory research for students, industry and government. We have a unique specialization in Molecular Plant Biology, Master in Molecular Life Sciences and HAN BioCentre. This is where our education, research and practice merge. [More info](#)

SCHOOL OF BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The School of Built Environment has over 1,200 full-time and part-time students studying construction and infrastructure. We offer degree programs, exchange programs and customized courses. We also conduct groundbreaking practice-based research. [More info](#)

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATION

At the School of Business and Communication we train professionals who focus their view on the outside world. Who can connect the outside with the inside, and gauge how a company can benefit from this. [More info](#)

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

The School of Education trains and develops enterprising, inquisitive and confident teachers. Here you can become the teacher you want to be. We offer our students a lot of space to broaden or deepen their knowledge. And: we have joined forces with the work field to tackle the shortage of teachers. [More info](#)

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND AUTOMOTIVE

At the School of Engineering and Automotive we offer education in the fields of sustainable energy, energy transition, Lean, sustainable mobility and autonomous transportation. And we conduct research on current social issues. [More info](#)

SCHOOL OF FINANCE

The School of Finance trains students to become responsible financial professionals. With a well-developed ethical compass and a broad knowledge base. We challenge students to develop into confident professionals who embrace life-long learning. [More info](#)

SCHOOL OF HEALTH STUDIES

At the School of Health Studies we train students to become innovative, inquisitive and enterprising professionals. Our domains are nursing, allied medical care and arts therapy. We work closely with the professional field and stay up-to-date on developments. [More info](#)

SCHOOL OF IT AND MEDIA DESIGN

The School of IT and Media Design works on creating a dynamic and innovative learning environment, where students and lecturers work side by side with researchers and professional practice. Everything here revolves around design, development and experimentation. We inspire each other with ICT and multimedia applications. [More info](#)

SCHOOL OF LAW

The School of Law is home to both education and research. We offer degree programs and have a research group and research center. We provide commercial activities and tailored projects for the professional field. In our degrees we combine legal knowledge with (non-)legal skills. [More info](#)

SCHOOL OF ORGANISATION AND DEVELOPMENT

The School of Organisation and Development trains enterprising, inquisitive professionals. Professionals who are good at connecting people. Each and every one of them makes a sustainable contribution to good work, healthy employees and economic growth. [More info](#)

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL STUDIES

The School of Social Studies has almost 4,500 students following a full-time or part-time degree. They do this at bachelor or master level. [More info](#)

SCHOOL OF SPORT AND EXERCISE

At the School of Sport and Exercise we train students to become critical, innovative and entrepreneurial professionals. We also offer training and courses for professionals in the field of sports, work and health. So they can apply the latest insights and theories in their work. [More info](#)

INTERNATIONAL BACHELOR PROGRAMS

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