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# VLIR-UOS Master Scholarships

to study in  
Flanders  
(Belgium)

Academic Year  
2021-2022

VLIR-UOS awards full scholarships to applicants from 31 eligible countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America to attend one of the selected Master programs taught in English at a Belgian (Flemish) university or university college.

A call for scholarship applications is launched every year in November. The deadline for submission depends on the Master program you are applying for.

The 15 selected Master programs are organised for 5 years (2017-2021), with each year 12 scholarships available.

## Development-relevant programs

VLIR-UOS supports a selection of development relevant master- and training programs, organised at a Flemish university or university college ranking among the best in Europe.

The International Master Programs (ICP) are accredited, initial or advanced Master programs (EQF 7) of one or two years (60 or 120 ECTS) on a development-relevant subject. The programs have a specific but non-exclusive focus on international participants, a.o. from the VLIR-UOS scholarship countries, with specific courses, applicable content and adapted teaching- and learning methods. Each master is supported with twelve scholarships.

# International master programs

## Education

VLIR-UOS supports 15 International Master programs with a limited number of scholarships. Each year a call for candidates is launched in November for the following academic year. (e.g. the call for Academic year 2021-2022 is open from November 2020 onwards). More info can be found on our website <https://www.vliruos.be/en/scholarships/6>.

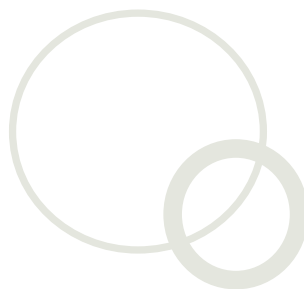
- Master of Development Evaluation and Management (*University of Antwerp*)
- Master of Globalization and Development (*University of Antwerp*)
- Master of Governance and Development (*University of Antwerp*)
- Master of Human Settlements (*KU Leuven*)
- Master of Cultures and Development Studies (*KU Leuven*)
- Master of Science in Food Technology (*KU Leuven, Ghent University*)
- Master of Science in Marine and Lacustrine Science and Management (Oceans and Lakes) (*VUB, University of Antwerp, Ghent University*)
- Master of Epidemiology (*University of Antwerp*)
- Master of Agro-and Environmental Nematology (*Ghent University*)
- Master of Rural Development (*Ghent University*)
- Master of Statistics (*University of Hasselt*)
- Master of Aquaculture (*Ghent University*)
- Master of Water Resources Engineering (*KU Leuven, VUB*)
- Master of Sustainable Territorial Development (*KU Leuven*)
- Master of Transportation Sciences (*University of Hasselt*)

## Master program scholarships

VLIR-UOS provides full scholarships for the total duration of the Master program (12/24 months). It is not possible to apply for a partial scholarship. More details on the different allowances can be found on our website under Documents > guidelines and forms > general guidelines > scholarship allowances.

### A scholarship covers:

- Monthly allowance
- One-time payments
- Visa fee
- Insurance, international travel and tuition fee





## Eligibility criteria for a scholarship

**Nationality and country of residence:** A candidate should be a national and resident of one of 31 scholarship countries at the time of application



**Age:** The maximum age for an initial (2 years) master program candidate is 35 years and 45 years for an advanced master. The candidate cannot succeed this age on January 1 of the intake year.

**Professional background:** VLIR-UOS gives priority to candidates who are employed in academic institutions, research institutes, governments, social economy or NGO's, or aim a career in one of these sectors. The training candidate should have relevant professional experience and a support letter confirming (re)integration in a professional context.

**Former VLIR-UOS scholarships:** A candidate can only submit one VLIR-UOS scholarship application per year, irrespectively of the scholarship type. As a consequence, a candidate can only be selected for one VLIR-UOS scholarship per year.

The Master program candidate has never received a scholarship from the Belgian government to attend a master program or equivalent or was never enrolled in a Flemish higher education institution to attend a master program or equivalent before January 1 of the intake year.

More information:

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## Selection

The organising institutions are responsible for the selection of candidates. They set the academic and language criteria and define the selection procedure.

## About VLIR-UOS

As part of the Flemish Interuniversity Council (abbreviated in Dutch to VLIR), VLIR-UOS is the platform in which the Flemish institutions of higher education join forces within the context of university cooperation for development. In addition, using resources from the federal government, the organisation is the most important funder of cooperative projects between academics from Flanders and partner countries, as well as for grants to students and professionals from Flanders and the partner- and scholarship countries.

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