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Universiteit Leiden

Study abroad / Exchange Prospective students

Admission requirements

Admission as a study abroad or exchange student is based on four factors:

1. Academic requirements
2. English language requirements
3. Exchange agreements (for exchange students only)
4. Course capacity

1. Academic requirements

- You should have completed at least two years of academic education
- You must have a GPA of at least 3.2 out of 4.0 (or equivalent)
- Your academic background must be relevant to the courses you apply for

2. English language requirements

You need to demonstrate your proficiency in English, preferably by means of an IELTS test (though TOEFL and the Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE (<http://www.cambridgeesol.org/sector/higher-education/index.html>)) are also accepted). We need to receive an original report with test results that are no more than two years old.

This does not apply if you have an International Baccalaureate or completed your schooling in the USA, UK, New Zealand, Australia or Canada (except Quebec).

If you are an Erasmus student, please ask your home co-ordinator whether you need to supply a test report.

Minimum test scores:

- IELTS (<http://www.ielts.org/>) Academic: 6.5
 - TOEFL (<http://www.ets.org/toefl>) : 88 (internet-based) or 570 (paper-based).
- N.B. Per September 2014 the required TOEFL scores will become 90 and 575 respectively.

If you take a TOEFL test, please ask the Educational Testing Service (ETS) to send your scores directly to us. The TOEFL institution code for Leiden University is 0504. Please note that we do not accept TOEFL ITP (institutional) tests.

Are you a Chinese national? Then you also need to get a Nuffic Certificate, please read more on the Nuffic website

(<http://www.studyinholland.nl/practical-matters/visas-and-permits/nuffic-certificate-for-chinese-students/nuffic-certificate-for-chinese-students/?searchterm=nuffic%20certificate>).

3. Exchange agreements

If your admission is based on a reciprocal exchange agreement for a specific field or discipline, you do not automatically have the right to enrol in courses offered by another faculty or department.

4. Course capacity

Admission to a specific course will also depend on the maximum number of students each class can accommodate.

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