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1. The entrance exam

You can take part in the 21+ Entrance exam when you have applied to one of our programmes but do not meet the minimum entry requirements. The conditions of the exam are that you have to be 21 years or older on the date the programme starts and you need to be in the Netherlands to take the test*. Inholland does not accept the results of entrance exams from other Universities of Applied Sciences.

*** Please note:** The minimum age for the holder of a foreign diploma, which is sufficient for a degree programme in the home country, is set on eighteen years. The age requirement is also eighteen years for some cases in which the foreign candidate isn't able to submit a diploma. This mostly concerns refugees. The set date of the minimum age is the start of the academic year: September 1st.

1.1 Components of the entrance exam

The entrance exam consists of **two components.**
The **first component** is a capacity test developed by NOA, which is carried out at home behind your computer or laptop. Digital supervision is used to take the test at home, called proctoring. The capacity test is designed for us to examine whether you have sufficient knowledge and skills to be able to start a course at Inholland University of Applied Sciences. We do this on the basis of a Multicultural Capacity Test for Higher Level (MCT-H): your results are compared with a reference group in order to determine whether you indeed meet the required level for the study programme you have applied for. Please note that a resit is not possible for the capacity test. You can take part once per academic year.

Components of the capacity test
The MCT-H consists of eight subtests. These subtests measure four factors: logical reasoning & spatial insight, numerical abilities, verbal abilities and perceptual speed. In the MCT-H report, the results can also be displayed in an IQ score to determine a general intelligence level.
Logical reasoning & spatial insight
Logical reasoning is about the extent to which a candidate is able to discover logical relationships between images and if a candidate is able to orient himself spatially.
Numeric abilities
Here we look at the ability to calculate and the ability to reason with numbers.
Verbal abilities
Here the focus is on the knowledge of the meaning of words and the ability to see logical relations between words.
Perceptual speed
The ability to distinguish differences quickly and accurately is measured.

If you successfully completed the capacity test, you can take part in the **second component** of the entrance exam: the subject test or tests which take place at one of our institution's locations. This second test is based on the programme that you applied for. See Appendix 1 for more information on the subject tests per programme. If you applied for a program in the September intake you have a possibility to do a resit for the subject test but only if you haven't passed for the first attend. For the February-intake there are no possibilities for a resit for the subject test.

Proof of Placement

Approximately one week before the subject test takes place you will receive a Proof of Placement by email. On this Proof of Placement you will find the location and exact time of the test. It is not possible to participate in the entrance exam if you don`t have a Proof of Placement for the relevant test date.

Please note: You will only receive a Proof of Placement for the subject test if you **passed** the capacity test.

2. Application

The application/registration for the entrance exam consists of 4 steps:

1. Add an enrolment request for an English-taught programme via Studielink. Make sure to leave the part that mentions your previously completed education empty.

2. Once you received login details, you can check your Selfservice. The registration form and additional information will be available there.

3. Upload the completed registration form and, if applicable, copies to apply for special procurements due to a disability in Selfservice.

4. When the registration form and other required documents have been received via Selfservice on time, you will find a payment link in the Studyshop in Selfservice within 2 days or a week before the capacity test at the latest. When your payment is processed you will receive an email which confirms your enrolment to the capacity test of the entrance exam.

2.1 Important dates

Capacity test	Final enrolment / cancellation date	Subject test date and location	Resit subject test
December 10th 2026	December 7th 2026	Saturday January 9th 2027	Saturday April 10th 2027
January 28th 2027	January 25th 2027	Saturday April 10th 2027 The Hague	Saturday June 5th 2027 The Hague
February 17th 2027	February 11th 2027		
March 31st 2027	March 23th 2027		
April 16th 2027	April 12th 2027	Saturday June 5th 2027 The Hague	Friday July 2th 2027 Haarlem
May 21st 2027	May 14th 2027		
June 3th 2027	May 28th 2027	Friday July 2th 2027* Haarlem	Thursday August 19th 2027 Haarlem
June 23th 2027	June 18th 2027		

*Please note: If you choose to participate in the subject test of July, it might take longer than the usual 3 weeks to receive your results due to the summer holidays. Additionally, the review of this test will take place in the week of the resit of August. The results of the resit in August might not be known in time before the academic year starts.

2.2 Costs

The costs for taking part in the entrance exam are € 90,-. This amount must be paid on the application & registration deadline at the latest. Once you have submitted your admission request for the degree programme and entrance exam via Studielink, you will find the registration form in Selfservice. When the registration form and other required documents have been received via Selfservice on time, you will find a payment link in the Studyshop in Selfservice within 2 days or a week before the capacity test at the latest.

	Administration costs	Participation fee	Total costs
Entrance exam	**€ 45**	**€ 45**	**€ 90**
IELTS or TOEFL test*	**N/A**	**€180- €200***	**€180- €200*** **(depending on where you take this test)**

*Please note: candidates will have to enrol themselves separately for the IELTS or TOEFL test via www.IELTS.org or www.TOEFL.org

2.3 Disability and participation

We can facilitate candidates with a disability such as dyslexia. Please upload your request for special procurements due to your disability on Selfservice and mention what form of disability you have through the enrolment form. We will try to find a way to make your participation possible. It is sometimes possible to adjust the test time or the form of the test. It is a necessity to include an official (medical) statement to your application form on Selfservice.

2.4 Changes or cancellation

You must notify us of a cancellation or any other changes by email to toelatingstoets@inholland.nl before the final cancellation date. You can find the cancellation deadlines on our website and on the previous page of this document. Please note that a rescheduling is not always possible.

Are you experiencing trouble during the capacity test or is participation no longer possible for reasons beyond your control? Please contact us by telephone and email directly or on the test day at the latest. If you have not contacted us, a charge of €45 will be applicable for rescheduling your test day. If you cancel your registration on or after the last registration date of the capacity test, you are no longer entitled to a refund.

If you do not participate in the test for which you have been invited without notifying us, it will be assumed that you are no longer interested in studying at Inholland University of Applied Sciences. In that case, we request that you withdraw your application in Studielink.

3. Preparation

The entrance exam is based on testing both your knowledge and skills. In Appendix 1 you will find an overview of the entrance exam for each particular bachelor programme. You will have to prepare for the test yourself; there are no courses to prepare you for the test. On our website we have an overview of the different subject tests and an explanation of how to prepare for the subject test and suggested books and websites.

4. Entrance exam requirements

The English entrance exam consists of two parts:

- The Inholland entrance exam capacity test and subject test (which depends on the degree programme of your choice (see Appendix 1));
- An IELTS or TOEFL test which is no older than two years on 1 September of the academic year you applied to start your study AND complies with the minimum requirements. You can find these requirements on our website: English language requirements - Inholland

Please note the following in regards to the IELTS or TOEFL test:

- You will need to enrol for this test separately via www.IELTS.org or www.TOEFL.org;
- The costs for the language test (between € 180 - € 200) are *not* included in the fee for the entrance exam;
- You will need to have obtained the test and upload the certificate no later than the 1st of September. We will not accept certificates that are older than two years on the start date of the programme you applied for.
- You will only have finalised your entrance exam when you have passed the capacity test, obtained a minimum score of 5.5 for your subject test(s) *and* have submitted an IELTS or TOEFL certificate, with the required scores, which is not older than two years;

5. Procedure during the entrance exam

5.1 What to bring

Make sure you bring the following:

- Your Proof of Placement;
- Your identification (a valid passport, identification card, drivers license or residence permit);
- Permitted and required tools (e.g. calculator) to use during the test (see detailed information on our website).
  Please note: it is NOT possible to participate in the test without valid identification and Proof of Placement.

5.2 In the exam room

The following rules apply during the exam:

- Your identification must be on the table during the test and be visible to the supervisor;
- Only writing materials and the authorised equipment may be placed on the table;
- Authorised dictionaries e.g. may not contain notes or any loose additions, this will be checked by the supervisor;
- Authorised equipment may not be exchanged with other participants;
- You are not allowed to make any verbal or nonverbal contact with other participants during the exam;
- You may not consult other participants or provide the opportunity to another to consult your work;
- You may not wear clothes in a manner that your face is covered;
- You are not allowed to eat during the test;
- Your mobile, smartphone or other digital equipment is switched off and in your bag;
- After the test you hand in your work and the original test papers;
- You may leave the exam room no sooner than 15 minutes after the test has started;
- After you have left the exam room, you may not return to the exam room;
- If you arrive after the start time of the test, you will not be able to participate.

5.3 Equipment to use during the test

For some subjects you are authorised to use equipment as mentioned on our website, where we give a solid explanation per subject test. In most cases it will be the use of a dictionary or a calculator. Please note that you are responsible for this equipment, they will not be provided by Inholland.

5.4 What does the entrance exam involve?

The level of the entrance exam is comparable to the levels of the secondary school final exams. The subjects per programme may vary. For the specific subject of each programme please see Appendix 1. The exam is a written test. The form of the test may vary from multiple choice, open questions to a mix of both forms of questions.

5.5 Irregularities or fraud?

The supervisor will keep the right procedures under surveillance during the test. If they discover any irregularities or fraud, the candidate must leave the exam room immediately. He or she will be requested to hand in all the paper work. The test will not be revised. No test grade will be assigned or the assigned grade will be void with retroactive effect if fraud is ascertained after the event. The candidate involved will receive a written notice regarding this matter no later than three weeks after the test. He or she may appeal against this decision within six weeks after the notice at the Board of Appeal Concerning Examinations. Addresses and detailed information can be found in the notice.

6. After the entrance exam

6.1 Result of the entrance exam

The results of the **capacity test** will be sent to you by email within 3 working days. You will receive your result of the **subject test** three weeks* after the test took place. If you pass the test and you meet the requirements (participation fees paid, applied for the course and 21 years of age or older when the programme starts) you will receive an Admission Statement. Note that this is only valid if you also obtain an English certificate (TOEFL or IELTS) before the program starts (September 1st). The Admission Statement of the entrance exam is valid for admission to the chosen bachelor programme at Inholland only.
*When participating in the subject test in July, it might take longer than 3 weeks for you to receive your result due to the summer holidays.

6.2 What to do if you disagree with the result

If you would like to know what you have done wrong on your test you can apply at the Bureau for Admission Tests to review your test on the exam review day. You will receive further information about the exam review day regarding the place and time and how to apply for this opportunity after the test.

If you do not agree with the entrance exam results, you may lodge an appeal with the Board of Appeal Concerning Examinations of Inholland. You will have to do this within six weeks after receiving the results. The contact details and further information about the procedure can be found in the entrance exam result letter that you receive by post. The appeal only concerns the way the result is achieved; the Board of Appeal Concerning Examinations does not intervene with the (level of) rating of the result itself.

6.3 Resits

You are eligible for a resit of the subject test once you haven't obtained a result of 5.5 or higher for your first attempt. It Is not possible to take a resit once you already have obtained a passing mark (5.5 or higher). You may resit the subject test(s) during the next testing opportunity, this is not possible after the test in August.

6.4 Validity of the Admission Statement

Academic year	Subject test date	Valid until
September 2027	January 2027	1th of September 2028
	April 2027	1th of September 2028
	June 2027	1th of September 2028
	July 2027	1th of September 2028

Please note that the Admission Statement that you receive after your pass for the entrance exam is only valid in conjunction with an IELTS or a TOEFL certificate no older than two years.

The admission applies only for the degree programme for which you have taken the test. If you would like to start with another programme afterwards, please send a letter or email with your request for a new Admission Statement to the Bureau for Admission Tests. This is only possible if the content of the entrance exam for the second programme that you have chosen is exactly the same as the first programme.

Please note: you may receive mail about your enrolment request for the programme before the results of your entrance exam are known. For example, you receive information about the programme, introduction days or literature lists. Please be aware that this **does not** mean that you have passed the test.

APPENDIX 1

Table of the entrance exam to specific bachelor programmes

Please find an overview of the English bachelor programmes and the different subjects of the entrance exam below.

Programme	Part 1 of the entrance exam	Subject test 1	Subject test 2	English language proficiency
B Creative Business (EN)	Capacity test	Economics A	N/A	See page 6
B Applied Mathematics (EN)	Capacity test	Mathematics B	N/A	
B Information Technology (EN)	Capacity test	Mathematics A	N/A	
B Business Innovation (EN)	Capacity test	Business English Proficiency	N/A	
B Tourism Management (EN)	Capacity test	Business English Proficiency	N/A	
B Aeronautical Engineering (EN)	Capacity test	Mathematics B	Physics	
AD Electronic Music (EN)	Capacity test	Auditions	N/A	