

## Important information on obtaining a residence permit

### **Bachelor students (starting in February 2023 academic year)**

This document contains important information for international students coming from the European Union/European Economic Area, US, UK, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, and South Korea.

Degree seeking students from other countries should refer to other information sheets also available through our [website](#).

Please read this information-sheet carefully.



### **Residence Permit without visa**

If you are a national from the USA, UK, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Japan or South Korea, you can enter the Netherlands without a visa. However, if you want to stay longer than three months to study you need to apply for a *temporary residence permit (VVR)* for studying, before your arrival in the Netherlands. Inholland will assist you with the application procedure for an administration fee of €35. Inholland only acts as an intermediary with the IND (Dutch Immigration Service). We have no influence whatsoever, neither on the outcome of the procedure, nor on the duration of the procedure. The residence permit is valid for the duration of the course. Please read this information carefully as it contains important information on the conditions you will need to meet.

### **Preconditions**

To start the VVR application through Inholland, you must have passed all university admission requirements. Incomplete applications will not be sent to the IND. For further information please refer to the [enrolment](#) page on our website.

### **Necessary documents for a residence permit (VVR)**

For the VVR application you will need to submit several documents to Inholland. After you've been accepted to Inholland and received an email with instructions to apply for your residence permit by using Visa Care, you will be informed about which documents you need to send us. As it may take you some time to gather all the necessary documents, we strongly advise you to start collecting the following documents:

1. A copy of your passport including all the pages that contain stamps and old stickers. Please note that the passport should still be valid for at least 18 months after arrival in the Netherlands, preferably valid for the entire period of the study
2. An original bank statement in your name or in name of your sponsor (proof of financial means for the Dutch Immigration Office.)
3. A criminal conduct statement.
4. A portrait photo for your residence permit. The photo must comply with certain detailed and strict legal requirements. You will receive this in-depth information when you are registered in VisaCare.
5. In case you wish to collect your visa (MVV) in another country than your home country: a copy of your residence permit of that country valid for at least three months after collecting the visa (MVV).

All the above-mentioned documents need to be stated in English, German, French or Dutch and may not be older than 3 months. If you are submitting documents in another language, they must be original documents and must be accompanied by a certified translation.

During your Visa Care process you will also be informed about other documents you need to send us.

**Note: to retain your residence permit** in subsequent years, you need to fulfill several requirements:

- Each year you will need to obtain 50% of your credits for one year. Excluding the extra requirement to not receive a Binding Study Recommendation in the first year of your study. Please read the [Rules on Enrolment and Deregistration](#).
- You will need to have sufficient financial means at your disposal. Living expenses, tuition fee and health insurance, each year.

## Fees and payment

### Administration fee for residence permit

The IND administration fee currently stands at €207. Inholland will assist you with this procedure for an administration fee of €35. You need to transfer the IND fees and Inholland administration fee of €242 into the Inholland bank account. Inholland will transfer the €207 on your behalf to the IND.

### Health Insurance

Having a sufficient health and liability insurance for the time of your stay in the Netherlands is a prerequisite for the MVV application. Inholland will take out a compulsory health and liability insurance on your behalf ([Aon insurance](#)). The insurance will cover you from the 25<sup>th</sup> of January 2023 until the 31<sup>st</sup> of August 2023. It will be necessary to extend the insurance each year in order to retain your residence permit. The insurance fees for the first half of the first academic year (01-02-2023 until 31-08-2023) €387. Inholland will pay these fees on your behalf to Aon.

**Note:** Please also remember to take out sufficient travel insurance, if desired.

### Proof of financial means

Due to Dutch laws and regulations, international degree seeking students must demonstrate that they have sufficient financial means to cover all the study and living expenses in the first year of their studies in the Netherlands. Based on these regulations you will need to demonstrate that you have an amount of at least **€11.195,- (monthly €932,87)** at your disposal at the start of your studies at Inholland to cover the first year's living expenses.

Next to this amount you will need to pay for the costs of tuition fee (€4.955), IND and Inholland administration fees (€242) and health insurance fee (€387). This will be an amount of €5.584,-

The total amount you will need to show the Dutch immigration Service is:

Living expenses	€ 11.195,-
Fees	€ 5.584,-
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Total	<b>€16.779,-</b>

### Methods of Payment

International students other than Chinese, African, Bangladeshi, Pakistani or Nepalese nationality may choose one of the following two methods to demonstrate sufficient financial means. Students from China, Africa, Bangladesh, Pakistan or Nepal can only apply using payment method 2.

1. *Method 1 (total amount €5.584,-)*

First you need to transfer an amount of €5.584 to the Inholland bank account. This amount is to cover the following fees:

- tuition fee (€ 4.955)
- IND and Inholland administration fees (€242)
- one-year health insurance fee (approximately €387)

Evidence of the remaining amount of €11.195 can be provided by sending us an **original** bank statement (including name, address and telephone number of the bank on it) demonstrating that the amount is freely available at your disposal in your bank account.

2. *Method 2 (total amount €16.779,-)*

Alternatively, you can choose to transfer the full amount of €16.779,- (fees + deposit) into the Inholland bank account. Inholland will provide a copy of the bank statement demonstrating receipt of this amount to the Dutch Immigration office together with your MVV application materials. Inholland will then deduct all the related expenses (tuition fee, visa and initial residence permit fee and one-year health insurance fee) from the deposited amount. The remaining balance will be kept as a deposit until after you have arrived in the Netherlands and will be returned to you in March 2023 on your Dutch bank account.

Method 2 is the preferred method and will ensure easier and faster completion of this procedure.

**Note:** The above mentioned amounts are indicative amounts and may be subject to future changes.

**Return of your deposit** when you **cannot come after** Inholland has applied for your residence permit: When Inholland has already send in the application for your residence permit to the immigration office and for what so ever reason you are not able to start your study at the University, you will receive your deposit back in your account minus the IND fee and the Inholland administration fees of €242.

**Payment details**

Please transfer the applicable amount to Inholland on the following bank account. **Please note: The bank always charges transfer costs. Please pay these costs separately!**

Account details

Account holders name: Hogeschool Inholland  
Account number: 16.09.30.510  
BIC: RABONL2U  
IBAN number: NL 87 RABO 0160 9305 10

Bank details

Name: Rabobank  
Address: Croeselaan 18  
Postal code: 3521 CB  
City: Utrecht  
Country: The Netherlands

**Note:** When transferring the amount to Inholland, you must specify on the transfer your **first name + surname, student number** and the code **920**. Without these details Inholland will not be able to locate the transfer, and this will delay or obstruct the application for your residence permit.

## Additional information

### Birth Certificate

You will need to bring an original, legalised birth certificate with you to the Netherlands. Some City Councils may require your birth certificate to register you in their personal record database (BRP). Registration at City Council is necessary to be able to receive your VVR. For that reason you will need a legal address in the Netherlands.

### Extra services

Apart from the VVR application on your behalf, we can provide you with the extra services of the "Welcome to Inholland Programme", including the following services:

- Pick-up service from the train station or airport upon arrival in the Netherlands;
- Assistance with registration at the City Council;
- Assistance with opening a bank account in The Netherlands.

For more information about the Welcome to Inholland Programme, please contact the International Office at the location where you will follow your programme:

Inholland Amsterdam/Diemen: [Intooffice.diemen@inholland.nl](mailto:Intooffice.diemen@inholland.nl)

Inholland Haarlem/Alkmaar: [Intooffice.haarlem@inholland.nl](mailto:Intooffice.haarlem@inholland.nl)

Inholland The Hague: [Intooffice@inholland.nl](mailto:Intooffice@inholland.nl)

Inholland Delft: [Intooffice@inholland.nl](mailto:Intooffice@inholland.nl)

Inholland Rotterdam: [Intooffice@inholland.nl](mailto:Intooffice@inholland.nl)

### Further information

For more general information about the Dutch immigration procedures you may also want to check [here](#).