



**VLIR-UOS
Scholarships**
to study in
Flanders
(Belgium)

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

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

The 15 available Master programmes will be organised for 5 years (2017-2021). The training programmes will be organised in 2020.

Development-relevant programmes

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

The International Master Programmes (ICP) are accredited, initial or advanced Master programmes (EQF 7) of one or two years (60 or 120 ECTS) on a development-relevant subject. The programmes have a specific but non-exclusive focus on participants from the global South, with specific courses, applicable content and adapted teaching- and learning methods. Each programme is supported with twelve scholarships.

The International Training Programmes (ITP) are short- or medium term, intensive, interactive, and applicable trainings, targeting participants from the global south with relevant professional experience in the topic of the ITP and who are in the possibility to transfer and thus multiply the obtained knowledge and skills to a wider audience in their home country. VLIR-UOS provides a limited number of scholarships in order to facilitate the participation of the targeted participants.

International master programmes

Education

VLIR-UOS supports 15 International Master programmes 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 2020-2021 is open from November 2019 onwards). More info can be found on <https://www.vliruos.be/en/scholarships/6>.

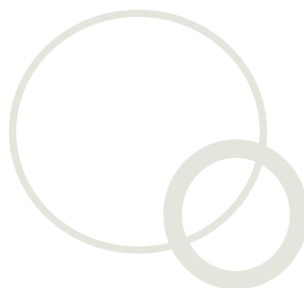
- Master of Development Evaluation and Management (*University of Antwerp*)
- Master of Globalization and Development (*University of Antwerp*)
- Master of Governance and Development (*University of Antwerp*)
- Master of Human Settlements (*KU Leuven*)
- Master of Cultures and Development Studies (*KU 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 programme scholarships

VLIR-UOS provides full scholarships for the total duration of the Master programme. 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 > Scholarship allowances.

A scholarship covers:

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





International Training programmes

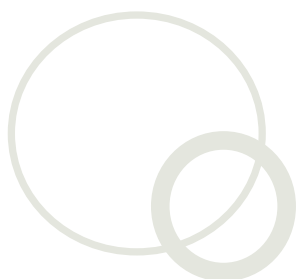
Education

VLIR-UOS supports a selection of training programmes with a number of scholarships. The training programmes are selected by a commission of experts and the topics can differ from year to year. For 2020 we have a selection of 9 training programmes focusing on a variety of topics:

- Sustainable Development and Global Justice (*University of Antwerp*)
- Modern breeding techniques for maize (*Ghent University*)
- International training on Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Qualitative research methods (*University of Antwerp*)
- International Module for Spatial Development Planning (*KU Leuven*)
- Summer School for Strengthening Diagnostic and Stewardship capacity for Teaching Hospitals (*University of Antwerp*)
- Clinical Nutrition – from practice to research questions (*KU Leuven*)
- A Circular Coaching Program Bridging the Sustainability Needs of Entrepreneurs (*University of Hasselt*)
- Platform development for an E-learning system in Biostatistics/Statistics (*University of Hasselt*)
- Empowering Vulnerable Children and Young People (*UCLL*)

Application deadlines are different for each training programme, please check our website for more info:

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Training programme scholarships

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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 a Master programme candidate is 35 years for an initial masters and 40 years for an advanced masters. The candidate cannot exceed this age on January 1 of the intake year. No age limit for the training programmes.

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 programme candidate has never received a scholarship from the Belgian government to attend a master programme or equivalent or was never enrolled in a Flemish higher education institution to attend a master programme 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 from the South, as well as for grants to students and professionals from Flanders and the South.

More info: scholarships@vliruos.be