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Some FAQ's about our Full-Time Master programs





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What are the entry requirements of AMS?

In order to be eligible for programs, you need either:

- a 4 year academic university degree
- a 3 year academic degree and an extra degree of at least 60 ECTS credits
- a 3 year academic degree + min. 1 year work experience (*)
- a 4 year professional degree (*) Example: Universities of Applied Sciences such as HBO in the Netherlands

 $(\ensuremath{^*})$ May be subject to special eligibility conditions



For the international programs taught in English, you will also have to prove your English proficiency.

You can prove this by completing an IELTS (min. 6.5 overall) or TOEFL (min. 95) test, or during a face-to-face interview.

Exceptions include:

- native English speakers
- students whose previous degree was taught in English

How to apply for a program?

HOW TO APPLY:

To apply for a master you need to go through the following steps:

- 1. Fill in the different tabs of the application portal. You will have to provide some personal information, we will assess your motivation and you will have to answer some additional questions. You will also be asked to upload the following documents:
 - Curriculum Vitae
 - Diploma & academic transcripts of your bachelor/master program
 - TOEFL/IELTS scores (Test of English as a Foreign Language/International English Language Testing System) exceptions: native English speakers, an English undergraduate degree and/or a personal interview on campus
 - A copy (or scan) of your passport or identity information
 - Recent picture
- 2. After successful completion of your application dossier, you are invited for an online numerical and verbal assessment.
- 3. Then, we will invite you for a face-to-face interview on campus or through Skype to obtain insight of your motivation, perseverance, personality, leadership skills, as well as your proficiency in English.
- 4. After completing the application procedure, you can expect an answer from us within 1-2 weeks.

Online numerical and verbal assessment:

The test that we are using is a SHL assessment. The test is designed to measure three types of ability: Numerical, Deductive, and Inductive.

- Numerical ability: The numerical ability questions are designed to measure your ability to solve problems involving numerical data by using the proper mathematical methods and your ability to interpret data presented in charts, graphs and tables. You will be asked to make correct decisions or inferences from numerical or statistical data.
- Deductive reasoning: These questions are designed to assess your ability to draw logical conclusions based on information provided, identify strengths and weaknesses of arguments, and complete scenarios using incomplete information.
- Inductive reasoning: The ten inductive reasoning questions are completely nonverbal and feature only shapes and figures. These questions are designed to measure your ability to detect regularities, patterns, and generalizations, and your ability to infer rules that can be applied to different situations.

You can find some practice tests on the following link: <u>https://www.shldirect.com/en/practice-tests</u>

Application deadline:

As we only accept a limited number of students, I would strongly encourage you to apply as soon as possible. This will also give you sufficient time to arrange your visa. The deadline to apply for EU citizens is August 15, 2019 and for non-EU citizens June 1, 2019.



How to apply for a visa?

All non-EU students have to apply for a Belgian Student Visa. Below is some information regarding the process. Make sure to start this process as soon as possible, as it could take several weeks - even months - to obtain your visa.

- **Step 1:** Check the site of the <u>Belgian Embassy ASAP</u> and start gathering all the necessary documents.
- **Step 2:** Before you can hand in your application, the Belgian Ministry of Foreign Affairs requires you to pay an application fee. You are a student who will be enrolled in an educational establishment organised, accredited or subsidized by the Government and you have to pay the fee that applies to this. The application fee is unfortunately non-refundable.



Optional - but highly advised:

The main reason why visas are refused is because applicants did not provide sufficient financial means. The Belgian Ministry of Foreign Affairs wants to be sure that you can pay for your stay in Belgium.

To help you fulfill the requirements, we provide you with the option of paying the required living expenses of & 160 into our Antwerp Management School account (& 680 x 12 months).

We will then send you a "proof of payment" document that you have to add to your visa application. By transferring the money to AMS and adding this proof to your visa application, the visa process will be much smoother. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs will then have the assurance that the money for your living expenses is in Belgium. Upon your arrival in Belgium you will have to open a bank account so that we can transfer €680 back to you every month. Due to strict regulations by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, we are not allowed to transfer the whole sum to you upon your arrival. We have to do it by monthly installments. All the instructions for opening a bank account can be found further in this handbook. Once you have paid the €8.160, please be so kind as to inform your program coordinator so that they can prepare and send you the necessary documents.

How much does it cost to live in Antwerp for a year?

COSTS OF LIVING

Although the cost of living largely depends on the student's lifestyle, these costs range from 6.000 to 10.000 euro for the duration of the program. An average monthly budget consists of:

- Housing 380 to 590 euro
- Electricity, gas and water 50 euro
- Food 280 euro
- Miscellaneous (trips, clothing, laundry,...) 180 euro
- Handbooks (for the whole academic year) max. 600 euro



HOUSING

You are responsible for finding your own accommodation, however, once you are accepted you will receive an information booklet with all the relevant information to assist you in your search.

Are there any financial benefits?

EARLY BIRD

We offer €1,000 early bird discount for the first 25 candidates* who successfully complete the online application form, the online numerical and verbal assessment, and pay their deposit before the 2-week payment deadline once they are accepted.

*of the following programs:

Master In Global Management major China-Europe Business, Master in Global Management major International Fashion Management, the Master in Management (major Management), the Master in Human Resource Management and the Master in Finance



LOAN SUPPORT

In terms of financial support, we have finalized an agreement with Prodigy, an international student loan provider. For more information, <u>click here</u>.