

30 Academic Exam Regulations (Dronten/ Almere); Admissions international programmes

A. Admissions

A complete bachelor programme comprises 240 ECTS. The language of instruction of all our international programmes is English.

A.1 General

1. International Admissions

All decisions regarding admission of international students are governed by the Code of Conduct for international students in Higher Education in The Netherlands.

1.1. Successful applicants for the **1-year Bachelor's degree courses** must have:

- Completed at least three years of university study in a related field relevant to the study programme in such a way that the resulting combined study pathway is feasible in its entirety
- A minimum score of 550 in the TOEFL English test or a formally recognised equivalent such as the IELTS (level 6.0) or IBT (79)
- The ability to formulate coherently in written English, and to have a vision of the chosen area of interest. Essay writing is part of the selection procedure
- Strong motivation to be successful in the sector
- Team spirit, a flexible attitude in an international working environment
- Funding in the form of a grant or a stipend, or private means

1.2. Successful applicants for the **1.5 EED courses and 2-year Bachelor degree courses** must have:

- Completed BTS, DUT, HND or Licence 2 or at least three years of university study in a related subject relevant to the study programme in such a way that the resulting combined study pathway is plausible in its entirety
- A minimum score of 550 in the TOEFL English test or a formally recognised equivalent such as the IELTS (level 6.0) or IBT (79)
- The ability to formulate coherently in written English, and to have a vision of the chosen area of interest. Essay writing is part of the selection procedure
- Strong motivation to be successful in the sector
- Team spirit, a flexible attitude in an international working environment
- Funding in the form of a grant or a stipend, or private means
- French students must start their application with ESA Angers.
- A double degree is only attainable when the student:
 - is accepted by Groupe ESA and Aeres University of Applied Sciences
 - pays tuition fees to both institutions
 - has sufficient knowledge of French (the lessons are in French during the term spent in France)

1.3. Application procedure for the **4-year Bachelor's degree courses**:

- Admission requires a high school (secondary school) diploma at the level of higher general secondary education or pre-university education (Dutch equivalent HAVO-VWO). We advise you to contact us for personal advice and further details. Applicants must also submit a motivation letter and resume outlining their commitment to the programme and they must be available for a personal interview. An English language test may be part of the admission procedure. The decision on your enrolment will be based on all the requirements mentioned above.

2. Dutch Admissions

All decisions regarding admissions of Dutch students are governed by the Higher Education Act. Aeres University of Applied Sciences makes use of the official enrolment deadline of May 1st. Part of the admission procedure is the mandatory check for choosing a study by means of a personal

interview. With a positive advice and the fulfilment of the eligibility criteria of the admissions procedure for the chosen bachelor programme, a student will be accepted (right of enrolment).

Students who wish to apply after the May 1st deadline, have neither the right for a mandatory check for choosing a study, nor the right of enrolment, even if they are formally eligible. However, the admissions board can decide to accept the student's enrolment, provided that they received a positive advice from the admissions coordinator and the programme coordinator.

A.2 Eligibility criteria; Prior education

1. Shortcomings in prior education

If the student's prior education falls short and he/she does not meet the admission requirements for the major programme, students can prove their abilities in the requested courses concerned by means of an entrance exam. The entrance exam will take place before the official enrolment of the student and before the start of the programme.

2. Divergent prior education

Students who have no right of enrolment based on their Dutch or international Secondary or Pre-university schooling or vocational education, must take an entry test prior to their formal enrolment in the programme. The examination committee will determine and assign the test on the basis of the contents and qualification of the student's prior education. The guidelines for this test will be in line with the legal requirements as described in the Dutch Higher Education Act (art. 7). The examination committee will be advised on the test and the test results of the candidates by an assessment committee that they have appointed.

3. Dispensation based on prior education

Dispensation for individual subjects or modules based on prior education or based on education previously obtained at the Aeres university will be determined by the examination committee prior to the start of the programme upon the student's written requests. The corresponding credit points for the granted exemptions will not count as study results in the process for determining the study advice after the first year of the curriculum.

A.3 Switch programmes or major

If a student would like to switch to another programme, the student can send a formal written request to the admissions or programme coordinator during the first semester of the first year of studies (Associate Degree or Bachelor's Degree).

Switching at a later stage in the programme can only take place at the beginning of a new academic year. To determine the new study programme and possible dispensations, a formal request must be sent to the chairman of the exam committee by the student.