



Information for applying for a visa and/or residence permit.

Options to show you have sufficient funds

In order to apply for a visa to enter the Netherlands (MVV) as a student in higher education you need to have sufficient financial funds available to live and study in the Netherlands. To prove to the Dutch Immigration Service (IND) that you have indeed sufficient funds you have to choose one of the following options:

Option 1

Send an **original** signed and stamped statement from an internationally known bank, which shows that you possess sufficient funds (The amount must be at least € 10.500,- for a full year stay in The Netherlands and € 5.250,- for half a year of study) to cover your costs in the Netherlands. The statement must meet the requirements as stated below:

- *Written in English, Dutch, French or German.*
- *The name and address of the bank.*
- *Your name and your account number with this bank.*
- *The statement has to show literally the sentence: "**account holder personally has access to the funds at all times without restrictions**". (deposit account statements will not be accepted).*
- *The statement may not be older than three months. (make sure there is a date on it).*
- *Contact details of the bank. (full address, website, telephone number).*

You **must** send the original "hard copy" statement by regular post to Avans University of Applied Sciences**.

Option 2

Send an original scholarship letter to Avans University of Applied Sciences**, which shows that you have or will be getting a scholarship. On this scholarship statement must be stated:

- *your full name.*
- *begin and ending date and the amount you will receive. (The amount must be at least € 10.500,- for a full year stay in The Netherlands and € 5.250,- for half a year of study).*
- *The name of the institution the scholarship is granted by.*
- *Date.*

Be aware: the requirements for documentation to proof that you have sufficient funds are very strict. They are set by the Dutch immigration Authorities (IND) and are not negotiable.

If you choose for either option 1 or 2, you also need to pay € 311,- to the Avans bank account* to cover the costs for your visa and residence permit application.

You may also combine option 1 and 2 to proof that you have access to the minimum amount of at least € 10,500.- for one year or € 5,250 for half a year of study in The Netherlands.

*Avans bank account:

Rabobank Breda

PO Box 3376

4800 DJ Breda

Account number: 188917764 of 'Stichting Avans'

BIC code: rabonl2u

Iban code: nl31 rabo 0188 9177 64

Please note: when transferring money to the Avans Bank account you must always mention your full name and date of birth.

**Addresses Avans University of Applied Sciences:

Location Breda:

Attn. International Office

PO Box 90.116

4800 RA Breda

The Netherlands