

Enrolment Regulations

Wageningen University 2025-2026

- **Student (regular)**
- **extraneus**
- **pre-master's student**
- **education module student**
- **national guest student**
- **international guest student**
- **contract student**
- **PhD candidate**

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These regulations are an implementation of Chapter 7 of the Higher Education and Research Act (WHW), containing the principle rules governing enrolment, termination of enrolment and tuition fees. In a number of articles the Executive Board is commissioned and is given authority to develop further rules governing, for example, enrolment procedures, the level of the tuition fees for students not subject to the statutory fee levels, payment instalments of the tuition fees, and any reduction in or exemption from tuition fees.

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Definitions and acronyms

- Academic year: the year from September 1 through August 31.
- AMC/ACT: academic master cluster, academic consultancy training.
- BBC: Bewijs Betaald Collegegeld (proof of payment of tuition fees). The proof of payment is issued by the institution where the student has paid the tuition fees. The statement shows that the student has paid tuition fees for this academic year at another Dutch institution of higher education for his/her enrolment as a student in a government funded study programme.
- Contract student: those who want to participate in one or more courses in the regular education programme of Wageningen University without intending to complete a full study programme.
- Course: a study unit of a programme as referred to in Article 7.3 section 2 of the WHW, including internship, thesis and research practice.
- Credit (European credit): measure for the size of a course.
- DUO: Dienst Uitvoering Onderwijs (education execution department, Ministry of Education, Culture and Science).
- Education Module student: student who holds a diploma of a bachelor's programme and wants to obtain a secondary teaching qualification in a subject by registering for the education module of Wageningen University.
- EER: Education and Examination Regulations of Wageningen University
- EngD candidate: person who conducts a two-year postmaster designer programme which leads to an Engineering Doctorate.
- Enrolment: enrolment or re-enrolment, either as a student, extraneus, pre-master's student, education module student, national guest student, international guest student, PhD student or contract student.
- Executive Board: the Executive Board (College van Bestuur) of Wageningen University.
- Extraneus: examination student who is only allowed to take interim examinations and the exam, without the right to education and study support.
- First year student: student who enrolls for the first time for the first year of a Wageningen University study programme.
- HO: Hoger Onderwijs (higher education in the Netherlands).
- IND: Immigratie en Naturalisatiedienst (immigration and naturalisation service, Ministry of Justice and Security).
- Institutional tuition fee: the tuition fee rate established by the Executive Board for students who are not entitled to pay the statutory tuition fee.
- Institutional tuition fee 1 (ic1): tuition fee to be paid by a student who does not qualify for the statutory tuition fee but who, falls into the category of persons who pay the institutional tuition fee equal to the rate of the statutory tuition fee.
- Institutional tuition fee 2 (ic2): tuition fee to be paid by a student who (i) enrolls in a bachelor's or master's programme and who has already obtained a bachelor's or master's degree from a government funded Dutch institution for higher education after September 1, 1991, and who (ii) meets the nationality requirement referred to in Section 7.45a, paragraph 1, of the WHW.
- Institutional tuition fee 3 (ic3): tuition fee to be paid by a student who does not meet the nationality requirement as referred to in Section 7.45a, paragraph 1, of the WHW.
- International guest student: student studying (or working) at a foreign institute for higher education who wants to enrol at Wageningen University for one or more courses, within the framework of a cooperation or exchange programme.
- Minor: a thematically related set of bachelor's courses with a maximum size of 30 credits.
- MOOC: Massive Open Online Course, course offered to a wider audience online.
- National guest students ('bijvak studenten'): are students enrolled as 'student' in a study programme at another Dutch institute for higher education who want to enrol at Wageningen University for one or more courses.
- OCW: Ministry of Education, Culture and Science.
- EER: Education and Examination Regulations of Wageningen University.

- Online education: courses from the regular education programme of Wageningen University offered online.
- PhD candidate: person who conducts research leading to the doctoral degree Doctor of Philosophy.
- Picnic PhD candidate: PhD candidate from another university who, within his or her PhD-track, conducts research at Wageningen University and therefore wants to enrol for education at Wageningen University.
- Pre-master's student: student who enrolls for an individual pre-master's programme to repair 'deficiencies' in previous education and thus become admissible to a master's programme of Wageningen University.
- Re-enrolment: enrolment for a study programme for which the student already has been enrolled in a previous academic year.
- Regular education or regular education programme: all the courses and study programmes belonging to the initial education of Wageningen University and as included in the [Study Handbook](#) of Wageningen University.
- Research practice: course in which the student gains work experience at an academic level within Wageningen University for a period of time in preparation for a career in science.
- RIO: Registration Institutions and Programs (formerly Croho).
- SSC: Student Service Centre of Wageningen University.
- Statutory tuition fee: the tuition fee as defined by Article 7.45 of the WHW annually set by the legislator for students complying with Article 7.45a WHW.
- Student: a person who enrolls in a study programme of Wageningen University as a 'student' as defined by Article 7.32 WHW.
- Studielink: the digital portal in the Netherlands for application and enrolment as a student at non-private institutions of higher education in the Netherlands.
- [Study Handbook](#): the study guide of Wageningen University, which contains information about the bachelor's and master's programmes, minors and all subjects from the university's regular education programme.
- 4TU EngD: EngD candidate of one of the technical universities in the Netherlands; Wageningen University, Technical University Delft, Technical University Eindhoven en Twente University.
- 4TU PhD: PhD candidate of one of the technical universities in the Netherlands; Wageningen University, Technical University Delft, Technical University Eindhoven en Twente University.
- WHW: Wet op het Hoger Onderwijs en Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek (Higher Education and Research Act).
- WU: Wageningen University.
- WUR: Wageningen University & Research.
- WUR-card: card issued once only by Wageningen UR to every student at the time of first enrolment. In combination with a valid proof of enrolment, the WUR card grants the holder certain rights.

1. General enrolment rules

- 1.1** Those who want to use the educational and/or examination facilities offered by Wageningen University for a regular bachelor's or master's study programme must enrol every academic year in one of the following types of enrolment:
- student (as defined by Article 7.32 WHW)
 - extraneus (as defined by Article 7.32 WHW)
 - national guest student
 - international guest student (exchange student)
 - pre-master's student
 - student education module
 - contract student
 - PhD student
- 1.2** General conditions of enrolment are:
- the request for enrolment, required supporting documents and proof of payment of tuition fees or examination fees must be received by WU prior to the registration deadline¹,
 - if legally required, verifiable meet the conditions for legal residence in the Netherlands,
 - all outstanding financial obligations to WU from previous academic years must have been met.
- 1.3** For enrolment as a student or extraneus, the student must satisfy:
- the statutory preliminary education requirements and admission requirements set out in Chapter 7 Title 2 and 3 WHW,
 - the admission requirements set by the Executive Board in the EER of the academic year in which the application for enrollment is made,
 - enrolment as an extraneus is only possible if the Executive Board decides that this enrolment does not harm the nature and interest of education.
- 1.4** First year students or extraneus applying for the bachelor's programmes must satisfy the general conditions for application as set out in in Chapter 7, Title 3, section 1 of the WHW. This student has the right to participate in a study choice activity as referred to in Article 7.31b WHW, but participation in it is not a requirement for enrolment.
- 1.5** A student or extraneus cannot enrol for a specific study programme again if in the three years preceding enrolment, a negative binding study advice for that study programme was received.
- 1.6** Additional conditions of enrolment for the national guest student are:
- the applicant is enrolled as a student at a Dutch institute for higher education for a RIO registered study and pays the statutory tuition or institutional fees for it,
 - the national guest student is not allowed to participate in an internship,
 - applicants need written permission from the Examining Boards of the other institute and WU to participate in a thesis, research practice and AMC/ACT courses.
- 1.7** Additional conditions of enrolment for the international guest student are:

¹ the deadlines for each type of enrollment for the 2054-2026 academic year are listed [on the website](#).

- a. the international guest student is enrolled as a student at a foreign institute for higher education that has a bilateral or multilateral exchange agreement with WU in which the possibility of enrolling as an international guest student is being offered,
 - b. the international guest student is only allowed to participate in an internship when this is part of a master's programme in which the student participates,
 - c. applicants need written permission from the Examining Board of WU to participate in a thesis, research practice and AMC/ACT courses.
- 1.8** To enrol as a pre-master's student, the student must satisfy:
- a. the statutory preliminary education requirements and admission requirements set out in Chapter 7 Title 2 WHW as well as the admission requirements set by the Executive Board,
 - b. the general conditions of enrolment set out in Chapter 7, Title 3, section 1 WHW.
- 1.9** To enrol as an 'education module' student, the student must satisfy the following conditions:
- a. the general rules and conditions of enrolment set out in Chapter 7, Title 3, section 1 WHW are met, and
 - b. the student applies for the educational module taking into account the application procedure and deadlines of application as mentioned on the website [Minor Education](#), and
 - c. the student holds the diploma of a bachelor's programme included in the appendix of the [Regeling Verwantschapstabel educatieve minor](#), or the student has sufficient relevant subject knowledge according to the admissions committee's assessment, and
 - d. after admission to the education module, the student submits a request for enrolment in a WU bachelor's programme which gives a teaching qualification for the subject determined by the admissions committee.
- 1.10** Additional conditions of enrolment for a contract student are:
- a. written permission from the lecturer who is responsible for the course,
 - b. the contract student cannot register for an internship,
 - c. for a course that is also offered by [Wageningen Academy](#), enrollment and payment is only possible through Wageningen Academy, this Regulations of enrolment is then not applicable,
 - d. written permission from the Examining Board of WU to participate in a thesis, research practice and AMC/ACT courses.
- 1.11** 4TU PhD and 4TU PDEng candidates who want to attend courses at Wageningen University can enrol as PhD students and do not pay a course fee, provided that the candidate is demonstrably registered at one of the participating universities. WU PhD candidates must be registered in the WU PhD administration system.

2. Possible dates of Enrolment

- 2.1** A first time enrolment in a bachelor's programme as a student or an *extraneus* is only possible as of 1 September of an academic year.
- 2.2** A first time enrolment as a student or *extraneus* for a master's programme is possible as of 1 September as well as 1 February of an academic year if:

- a. the study programme offers a [formal second starting moment](#) in February, or
 - b. an already admitted student or *extraneus* cannot start per 1 September due to special circumstances and the programme director gives written permission².
- 2.3** Students who have completed a WU bachelor's programme or a pre-master's programme may, within the month following their completion, enrol in a master's programme at WU to which their bachelor's programme or pre-master's programme grants admission, on condition that all other registration requirements for the contiguous master's programme have been met.
- 2.4** A student who completes a pre-master's programme of 30 credits in January may also enrol in the contiguous master's programme as of 1 March.
- 2.5** Re-enrolment in both bachelor's and master's programmes is permitted on 1 September, 1 November, 1 January, 1 February, 1 March, 1 May and 1 July of an academic year.
- 2.6** Enrolment as a pre-master's student or an educational module student is only possible as of 1 September or 1 February of an academic year.
- 2.7** Registration as an (inter)national guest student and a contract student is possible from the first day of the month in which the course or courses for which the person has been admitted start.
- 2.8** If a student does not timely meet the enrolment obligations as mentioned in this Regulations, the student can only be enrolled if all of the following conditions are met:
- a. the student has submitted the application for enrolment in time,
 - b. the student still meets all enrolment requirements no later than in the month in which enrolment started,
 - c. the programme director gives permission for this enrolment.
- Registration will be retroactive to the first day of the month of enrolment.
- 2.9** Only in very exceptional cases, for instance as set out in Article 7.51 paragraph 2c to g WHW, a student may submit an application for enrolment or re-enrolment, irrespective of the form of enrolment, which is contrary to the provisions of this Regulations. The Head of SSC decides on this matter, partly on the advice of a [student dean](#). The first day of the month in which the student has met all the requirements for enrolment shall be regarded as the commencement date of enrolment.
- 2.10** Retroactive registration as of 1 October is not permitted.

3. Rights after enrolment

- 3.1** After enrolment, the student receives, regardless of the form of enrolment, a one-off WUR card and the opportunity to download proof of enrolment.
- 3.2** A person who is enrolled in a study programme as a 'student' has the following rights:
- a. participation in regular education at WU,
 - b. taking (re-)exams and the examination of the study programme,
 - c. use of libraries, laboratories and other scientific facilities and collections belonging to WU,

² For four master's programmes, International Development Studies (MID), Nutrition and Health (MNH), Nutritional Epidemiology and Public Health (online, MNH-DL) and Food Technology (MFT), the possible second date for enrolment is 1 January 2026.

- d. to use student facilities, including the services of the student deans and student psychologists,
 - e. to receive study supervision from lecturers and study advisors,
 - f. to exercise active and passive voting rights for the study programme committees and participatory bodies,
 - g. the opportunity to participate in committees or organs within WU like programme committees, Board of Education and Student Council.
- 3.3** An extraneus has the rights referred to in Article 3.2 under b and c.
- 3.4** An (inter)national guest student, PhD student, pre-master's student and education module student is only entitled to participate in the courses for which the student is enrolled and to take the corresponding examinations. Furthermore, these students have the rights mentioned in article 3.2 under c to e.
- 3.5** A contract student is entitled to:
- a. participating in the courses for which the contract student is registered and taking the corresponding examinations,
 - b. taking at least one resit for each failed course in the academic year of enrolment.
- 3.6** For all students participating in regular education and examinations, regardless of the form of enrolment, the relevant rules apply that are included in the EER of the academic year concerned.
- 3.7** For a number of courses, the Executive Board has set a maximum number of participants (see the [Study Handbook](#) and the EER (part of the [Student Charter](#)). The following applies to these courses:
- a. Students for whom a course with a maximum number of participants is compulsory (this includes pre-master's students) will be admitted in any case.
 - b. Among the remaining students, lots will be drawn to determine who may participate in the course, unless a different procedure is described in the Study Handbook;
 - c. If national or international guest students apply, they should submit an alternative course without a maximum restriction, in case placement in the course of their first choice is not possible, also if it is part of a minor;
 - d. Contract students can only participate in a course with a maximum if there are places left after the application deadline and with the approval of the course coordinator.
- 3.8** The Executive Board may, for each type of enrolment, restrict participation in education and examinations, as well as access to and use of libraries, laboratories and other academic facilities and collections belonging to the university.

4. Registration period and termination of enrolment

- 4.1** For an enrolment as a student or *extraneus*, registration ends automatically on the last day of the academic year, 31 August.
- 4.2** Enrolment will be terminated before 31 August at the written request of the student:
- a. on the last day of the month in which the student submits the request,
 - b. on the last day of a following month if the student indicates this in the request.
 - c. If the student chooses the reason 'graduation' in the request for deregistration, the request will only be processed if the student has actually graduated.

- 4.3** The enrolment of a national guest student automatically ends at the end of the last month of the enrolment period. The enrolment will be terminated earlier, if the enrolment at the first institution is terminated during that period or at the request of the student.
- 4.4** The following applies to the international guest student:
- an enrolment lasts a maximum of twelve months, whereby the enrolment may extend over more than one academic year,
 - if the student is enrolled for a maximum of twelve months in the bachelor's phase, an enrolment of twelve months in the master's phase is also possible,
 - if the total duration of enrolment exceeds twelve months in one phase (bachelor or master), the enrolment will be terminated immediately.
- 4.5** The education module student is enrolled for a maximum of 1 academic year. Within this academic year, the education module (including any deficiencies) must be completed. If in the year of enrollment not all courses have been passed, the student may submit a motivated written request for a re-enrollment as an education module student with a maximum of 1 academic year to the admissions committee (via ssc@wur.nl). If the admission committee grants a re-enrollment, the educational module student must pay the regular fee for this.
- 4.6** The pre-master student is enrolled for a maximum of 1 academic year. If not all courses have been passed in the year of enrollment, the student may submit a substantiated written request for re-enrollment as a pre-master's student for a maximum of 1 academic year to the master's admissions committee (via ssc@wur.nl). This request can only be granted if the study delay is caused by personal circumstances as referred to in article 2.1 Implementation Decree of the WHW, and an advice from the student dean is attached to the request. If the master's admissions committee grants re-enrollment, the pre-master's student must pay the regular fee for this.
- 4.7** The contract student is enrolled for the periods in which the courses are taught. Registration will end on the last day of the month in which the date of the last (re-)examination falls.
- 4.8** If a student has received a BBC from WU for a second enrolment at another HO institute, WU informs that other institute about the termination of the enrolment at WU.
- 4.9** When deregistering a student or *extraneus*, the institution will inform the person involved, DUO and, where applicable, the IND of the deregistration.
- 4.10** WU can refuse or terminate the registration, regardless the type, in the following cases:
- if, after registration, it appears that the registered person did not meet one or more of the conditions of registration at the time of registration. The registration will be terminated with immediate effect;
 - if the student, regardless the type of registration, violates the rules of enrolment;
 - If the student, even after receiving formal notice by the university, has failed to pay any instalment of the tuition fees on time. The enrolment will be terminated as from the second month following the month in which the notice is sent;
 - If the student is enrolled at WU on the basis of a BBC and terminates enrolment at the other institution, WU will end the enrolment as from the date of deregistration at the other institution. The student can maintain the enrolment at WU by meeting the financial obligations for an enrolment at WU prior to deregistering;
 - if the student has received a binding refusal following a negative study advice from the Executive Board, WU will refuse re-enrolment for the programme concerned for three consecutive academic years;
 - if the applicant or registered student:

- is guilty of serious fraud during the enrolment process and the Executive Board, on the advice of the Admission Committee, has decided to reject the enrolment,
- is guilty of serious fraud related to the study programme as defined in Article 7.12b (2) WHW and the Examining Board proposes the termination of the enrolment,
- causes serious disturbance and continues with such disturbance even after receiving formal warning by the Executive Board.

The registration and the WUR account will be terminated immediately and permanently in these cases; also, the Executive Board can refuse new requests for registration during a period to be determined by the board.

5. Tuition fees, examination fees, compensation

- 5.1** Anyone enrolling in a bachelor's or master's programme, a pre-master's programme, an educational module, as an external student or as a contract student, shall pay statutory tuition fees, institutional tuition fees, a fee or examination fees. The situation prevailing on the first day of registration for the academic year determines the type of tuition fees and amount to be paid, but if there is a change in the situation of a student, WU may adjust the type of tuition fees and amount to be paid as of the first day of the month following the change, irrespective of the form of registration. Check the website for the tuition fees: [bachelors](#) (education module included), [pre-masters](#) and [masters](#).
- 5.2** It is possible to pay the statutory fees and ic1 and ic2 in five instalments. Examination fees, fees for pre-master's programmes and ic3 must be paid in one payment. For payment in instalments an extra administration fee of €24 is charged. When registering from 1 March or later, it is not possible to pay in instalments. Payment in instalments is only possible through A direct debit authorisation from a European SEPA bank. After termination of enrolment due to arrears, re-enrolment in the current academic year is only possible after the remaining tuition fees are paid in one lump sum plus - if applicable - the outstanding amount.
- 5.3** The tuition fee or fee will be set at zero for:
- a. students who have enrolled in a joint programme with a foreign university (double degree) and who have paid the tuition fee to that foreign university, if the Dean of Education has determined that this is permitted,
 - b. international guest students if this is provided for in the agreement to which the student is subject,
 - c. PhD candidates and EngD candidates of 4TU.
- 5.4** The international guest student and the double degree student who is not exempt from paying tuition fees shall pay tuition fees in accordance with the agreements in the collaboration agreement.
- 5.5** The Executive Board may define a special institutional tuition fee for study programmes or for a specific group of students. The Executive Board has defined two different institutional fees for:
- a. The master's programme Water Technology (joint degree),
 - b. The part-time online master specialisations 'Plant Breeding' (specialisation of Master Plant Sciences), 'Nutritional Epidemiology and Public Health' (specialisation of master Nutrition and Health) and 'Food Technology' (specialisation of Master Food Technology).
- 5.6** A contract student pays [a fee per credit](#) for the courses for which the student has registered.

- 5.7** If during the academic year it turns out that a student, regardless of the type of enrolment, is enrolled for a tariff but does not meet the conditions for that tariff, the student owes the tariff appropriate for that enrolment for the duration of the enrolment in which the conditions are not met.

6. Reduction, exemption and refund of tuition fees

- 6.1** A student who enrolls for a programme as from October 1 and further months, will owe tuition fees calculated in proportion to the number of months remaining in the academic year.
- 6.2** A student who started a master's programme with an official second start moment in February and pay the ic2 or ic3, can apply for a one-off exemption from one month's tuition fees. To be eligible, the student must meet all the following conditions:
- the student has enrolled for the first time for the master's programme by 1 February 2024,
 - the student remains enrolled for two consecutive calendar years for the master's programme concerned until 31 January 2026,
 - the student needs to extend enrolment for no longer than 1 month than the nominal duration of the programme of study in order to graduate,
 - The application for the exemption must be submitted to the SSC before 1 February 2026.
- 6.3** An exemption from payment of statutory tuition fees, pre-master's programme fees or education module tuition fees is possible for those who are already enrolled as a HO student in the Netherlands and who also want to enrol at WU as a student for a second bachelor's or master's study, a pre-master's programme or an education module and who meet the following conditions:
- the first enrolment is an enrolment as a student, as defined in the WHW, at WU or another funded institution for higher education in the Netherlands, the Open University excluded,
 - the student pays the statutory tuition fees, as defined in Article 7.45a of the WHW, for the first enrolment,
 - the student is eligible for payment of the statutory tuition fees at WU as mentioned in Article 7.45a of the WHW,
 - the statutory tuition fee to be paid at WU is equal to or less than the statutory tuition fee for the first study programme. If the amount of tuition fees to be paid to WU is higher than the statutory tuition fees paid for the first study programme, then the difference has to be paid,
 - WU receives an original BBC from the institution of first registration.
- 6.4** An exemption from payment of tuition fees is possible for those who are already enrolled as a HO student in the Netherlands and who also want to enrol at WU as a guest student and who meet the following conditions:
- the first enrolment is an enrolment as a student, as defined in the WHW, at WU or another funded institution for higher education in the Netherlands, the Open University excluded,
 - the student pays the statutory tuition fees, as defined in Article 7.45a of the WHW or the institutional tuition fees, as defined in Article 7.46(1) of the WHW for the first enrolment,
 - WU receives an original BBC from the institution of first registration, unless the student enrolls at WU through [eduXchange](#).
- 6.5** A student who pays the ic3 to WU and is enrolled as a student in a second or subsequent program at WU, also subject to the ic3, will be exempt from paying tuition for the program subject to the lowest institutional fee, as long as the student remains enrolled in two or more programs at WU.
- 6.6** A student or *extraneus* whose enrolment was terminated at their own request may receive a refund of tuition fees. No refunds will be possible for any other type of enrolment. Any refund will

be set off against with outstanding instalments of the fees and/or other financial claims against the student. The following provisions apply :

- a. The amount of the refund will be 1/12 of the tuition fees owed for each complete month following termination of enrolment. No refund will be made if enrolment is terminated as of 1 July or 1 August.
- b. In the event of the death of a student during an academic year the amount of the refund will be 1/12 of the tuition fees owed for each complete month following his/her death, including July and August.
- c. In the case of enrolment for two or more study programmes at the same time at WU, whereby an exemption from tuition fees is granted in respect of the first programme, a refund is only possible if enrolment for all programmes is terminated at the same time.

7. Other terms and conditions

- 7.1** In case of a decision to terminate the programme by OCW or WU, the student is entitled to complete the programme at WU or another institution within a reasonable period of time.
- 7.2** A person who is not enrolled at WU and who uses education and/or examination facilities, or a student who makes use of education and/or examination facilities that do not belong to the pre-master or education module for which the student is enrolled, will have to pay compensation pursuant to section 15.2 of the WHW, up to the highest WU institutional rate. When enrolling as a student, any results obtained earlier, and which do not belong to the premaster programme or the education module, will not be valid and cannot lead to an exemption.
- 7.3** A person who is not enrolled but who makes use of the teaching and/or examination facilities of WU may be liable to pay a second-category penalty pursuant to Article 15.3 WHW.
- 7.4** In the event that tuition fees are not paid on time or at all, WU will block the WUR card of the student two weeks following the first formal warning. In the event of termination of enrolment of a student during the academic year, WU will close the student's WUR account two weeks following the deregistration date.
- 7.5** The Head of the SSC is responsible for the implementation of this Regulations for Enrolment. In cases not covered by this regulations, any decision will be taken by Executive Board on the advice of the Head of the SSC.
- 7.6** Objections:
 - a. A formal objection may be filed with [Legal Protection for Students](#), addressed to the Executive Board, against any decision taken pursuant to this resolution within six weeks of receipt of such decision. Notice of the right to object shall be contained in the decision of or on behalf of the Executive Board. The procedure for appeal is laid down in the [Student Charter](#).
 - b. A contract student cannot submit an objection. If the student does not agree with a decision made on the basis of this regulation, the student may file a complaint with [Legal Protection for Students](#), addressed to the SSC. The procedure for complaints is laid down in the [Student Charter](#).
- 7.7** Hardship clause: in very special circumstances the Executive Board may deviate from this Regulations in favour of the student. This is the case if a decision would result in disproportionate disadvantage or unfairness of a serious nature. A request to this end must be submitted in writing, preferably via legalprotection.students@wur.nl, and if possible accompanied by documentary evidence. Application of this hardship clause may not result in any reduction in, or exemption from, the statutory tuition fees except as provided for by Article 7.48 sections 1 to 7 WHW.

- 7.8** These regulations are valid for the academic year 2025-2026, except where any parts of these regulations become invalid in the interim as a result of any changes in the law, or if the Executive Board, following consultation with the Student Council, decides on any interim amendment.

These Regulations have been enacted by the Executive Board at its meeting of July 3, 2025.