

Change of your residence permit to study purposes

Temporary residence permit holders

You can find confirmation of your nationality group, conditions and requirements for the Temporary residence permit (REF) for study under the Pathfinder link on our website.

You currently have a Dutch residence permit

If you are currently in the possession of a valid Dutch residence permit it is very important you check whether you can enrol in the HU study with this visa. For example; if you have a permit that cannot be extended (such as a permit to stay as an au-pair) in most cases you will need to make a request with us for a visa to study. If you are unsure of your residence situation please read the separate details available in the appendix in the Immigration Guide (or you can check directly with the Dutch Immigration).

If you are certain you do not need the 'visa' for study purposes you can advise us immediately in our online study application Osiris. Please do this with care as an incorrect application will cause delay in the progress of your enrolment.

Your Dutch residence permit does not allow you to study

If you are currently in the Netherlands, in most cases HU will be able to arrange a new (extended) residence permit for you without you having to leave the Netherlands. However, this will depend on your specific situation.

A) You have a nationality with an MVV requirement;

Follow the instructions for nationals with a Schengen country residence permit (to avoid having to collect an MVV at a Dutch Embassy) and upload your Dutch residence permit together with your passport as is requested for other Schengen countries!

B) You have a nationality that does not need an MVV

Follow the general instructions and you may ignore any information that is relevant only for students living outside the Netherlands concerning travel arrangements.