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'HZ quickly became my home away from home'

'With HZ, for me it has always been about the personal approach. Right from the moment I applied, I was connected with real students who were already studying the programme. Whenever I had a question, I didn't get an automated reply from a bot. Instead, I could talk directly to staff or students. It felt like somewhere I could be part of a community... and I was right. What I appreciated most about my time at HZ was the close-knit community. I made friends from all over the world who turned Zeeland into a home away from home.

After living here for several years, Zeeland became much more than a place to study. It offers the perfect balance for me: a relaxed lifestyle, an international community, and plenty of career opportunities. There are many multinational companies in the region, which means international graduates can build a career here without immediately needing perfect Dutch.

Moving from another continent without friends or family in the Netherlands was a big step, and at times it felt overwhelming. But looking back, it was one of the best decisions I've ever made. I found a community, lifelong friends, and opportunities I never expected when I first arrived.'

Hi! I'm AK from Sierra Leone and Japan. I graduated from Chemistry in 2024 and I am now working in Zeeland.



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Apply before 1 June (non-EU) and 1 August (EU)

To secure your place at HZ, make sure to submit your application before the deadline. If you register with our housing partner APV before 1 May, you are guaranteed student accommodation for the entire duration of your studies.

Where students matter

This is HZ

Somewhere between a lecture on coastal resilience and a bike ride to the beach, you will realise that HZ is unlike any university you have heard of before. We are small enough that your teachers know your name and big enough to offer world-class research, 11 international programmes, and partner universities in over 50 countries. Located in Zeeland, the sunniest province in the Netherlands, HZ gives you the space to actually focus, a community to genuinely belong to, and the practical education to step straight into a career anywhere in the world.

About HZ

HZ is a mid-sized university of applied sciences in Zeeland, the Netherlands, with around 5,000 students spread across two campuses in Middelburg and Vlissingen.

A high-quality education

Our graduates don't just leave with a degree; they leave ready to work. Around 83% find a job immediately after graduation according to Hbo-monitor 2025. For 13 years, that track record has placed HZ in the top 3 medium-sized universities of applied sciences in the Netherlands.

A frontrunner in research and education

Rising sea levels, energy transition, ageing populations: the world's biggest challenges don't wait for graduates to catch up. At HZ, depending on your study programme, you work on them from year one. Our research focuses on three themes that define the next century: water, energy, and vitality. Not in a theoretical sense, but in the field, the lab and with organisations actually trying to solve them.

Research university vs a university of applied sciences

HZ is a university of applied sciences, but what are the differences between a research university and a university of applied sciences?

	Focus	Degrees offered	Internships	Education approach	Teaching style
Research university	Academic and theoretical research	Bachelors, Masters, Doctorates (PhDs)	Optional or limited	Theory-oriented, analytical	Lectures, seminars, theoretical exams
University of applied sciences	Practical and professional training	Bachelors and Masters	Integrated and extensive	Practice-oriented, hands-on	Case studies, group projects, internships



HZ facts and figures

11

international
programmes

70+

student nationalities
on campus

13x

top 3 mid-sized
UAS in NL

800+

international
students

5000+

students in total on
campus

Meet the International Recruitment Team

Hi! We're Giusy, Laura, Monique, Shen and Nayab from the International Recruitment Team at HZ. You will see us at fairs around the world, and we are always excited to welcome you to our campus too! We love helping students start their HZ journey, because here, every student really matters. Any questions? Don't hesitate to contact us via email at study@hz.nl.

The team
↪



Vlissingen & Middelburg Cities and campus

Depending on your study programme, you will study in Vlissingen or Middelburg. Both are compact, international student towns.



Vlissingen

Wake up, walk to the sea. Vlissingen has a raw, breezy energy. Beach bars, a vibrant boulevard, and a tight-knit student community that makes it feel like your own little world.

Discover the city

Would you like to know more about Vlissingen? Go to www.hz.nl/en/vlissingen and visit our website.

Middelburg

A stunning medieval centre with cobblestone streets, weekly markets and terraces that fill up the moment the sun comes out. Your campus is right in the middle of it all.

Discover the city

Would you like to know more about Middelburg? Go to www.hz.nl/en/middelburg and visit our website.

More information

Would you like to know more about our campuses? Visit www.hz.nl/en/edisonweg (for Vlissingen) or www.hz.nl/en/groenewoud (for Middelburg).

Where will you study? Campus locations



Middelburg: campus Groene Woud

This campus hosts most of HZ's technical programmes. With innovative labs, learning spaces and a strong connection to the industry it's ideal for students looking to develop technical expertise. Programmes include Chemistry, Civil Engineering, Engineering, Global Project and Change Management, Industrial Engineering & Management, Information & Communication Technology, Logistics Engineering, River Delta Development and Water Management.



Vlissingen: campus Edisonweg

This campus hosts HZ's business, management, maritime and social programmes. It offers modern lecture halls, study areas and social spaces. Programmes include International Business and Tourism Management.



Joint Research Center Zeeland

A cutting-edge research institute next to campus Groene Woud. Students, researchers, businesses and governments collaborate on real-world challenges from year one.

The labs

1

Datalab

Big data, data modelling and visual research solutions.

2

Engineering lab

3D scanning, laser cutting and CNC for real industry projects.

3

Ecological lab

Saltwater research on climate, aquaculture and freshwater supply.

4

Chemistry lab

Chemical analysis and in-depth research across analytical, organic and life sciences.

Zeeland Study by the sea

Zeeland is different. A holiday destination. No sky-high rents. No getting lost in a lecture hall of 500 strangers. Just space to focus, real friendships, and a quality of life you won't find in a big city. It's also the sunniest province in the Netherlands. And when you want to visit a bigger city? Antwerp is 45 minutes away by car. Rotterdam 90. Brussels under an hour. But the best? The beach is always around the corner.

Why study in the Netherlands?

1

No. 1 English proficiency

The Netherlands tops the 2025 EF English Proficiency Index, meaning nearly everyone you meet, on campus or off, speaks English fluently.

2

Strong economy

The Netherlands is consistently ranked among the top 10 most competitive economies in the world, according to recent global competitiveness rankings.

3

Internationally minded

Around 90% of Dutch people speak English. Dutch culture is direct and open, which makes it one of the easier countries to actually feel at home.

4

A safe place to live

The Netherlands ranks among the top 10 happiest and safest countries globally. As an international student, you'll find a welcoming, open society.



Study in Zeeland



Easy to find
student accommodation,
no waiting lists



€300-€525
per month rent
vs €800+ in big cities



No.1
sunniest province
in the Netherlands



650 km
of coastline
beach close-by

'A relaxed lifestyle'

'I decided to stay in Zeeland because I appreciate its peaceful and relaxed atmosphere. The region offers a healthy balance between work and personal life, allowing me to focus on my career while still enjoying a comfortable and fulfilling lifestyle. For young international professionals, Zeeland can be an attractive place to live and work. Its calm environment, slower pace of life, and lack of big-city distractions create the ideal setting for those who want to develop professionally while maintaining a good work-life balance. At the same time, the welcoming community and high quality of life make it easy to feel at home and enjoy everything the region has to offer.'

Hi! I'm Fablendhy from Suriname. I graduated from International Business in 2025 and I am currently working in Zeeland.



All the big cities on your doorstep by train



Making memories HZ's community

Around 800 international students and you will probably know most of them. Most students say they made their closest friends in the first week of introduction, because at HZ, the community is small enough that it actually happens.

About HZ Community

HZ Community is the social heart of HZ, bringing students together through sports, culture, sustainability projects, trips, workshops, and social events. It helps international students make friends, develop new skills, and feel at home in Zeeland from day one.

Through the HZ Community, you can join sports activities, cultural events, city trips, sustainability initiatives and student-led projects. It is a great way to meet people from around the world, build lasting friendships, and create unforgettable experiences during your time in the Netherlands. Join HZ Community and allow yourself to contribute to a better world and create lasting memories.



Learn more about our HZ community

Scan the code or go to community.hz.nl/en and discover more about our community.



Sport activities at the beach



Cosy terrace life in Vlissingen



Student Music session in the Piek
(a music venue in Vlissingen)



Kickoff festival Zeeland
(introduction week)



Annual ski trip



Working in the
HZ gardens

'A strong international community'

'When I first left home to study here, I felt a little overwhelmed as I was trying to adjust to this new environment, but it improved as soon as I started to meet and engage with new people. Since HZ is a mid-size university, you get to know each other quite easily, and it's almost like one big family. If you want to study somewhere relaxed, where you feel safe and heard, and don't have to worry about housing, HZ is the right place for you. The international community we have built here is strong, and we always help one another.'

Hi! I'm Kaloyan from Bulgaria and I study
Information and Communication
Technology at the HZ in Middelburg.



Student associations

Aqua ad vinum

Aqua ad Vinum organises fun themed parties and activities throughout the year. From the neon party and beer tasting to a camp in the Ardennes and weekly drinks at our own bar: there is something for everyone! Their bar is located in café De Heeren in Middelburg. Here you are welcome on Tuesdays and Thursdays for dances, drinks and talks.

Marum Bibio

Marum Bibio is known for its parties and events. Marum Bibio has its own social club above café Bellamy where the door is open five days a week for a drink and a chat. And don't forget the incredible Sunset Cruise.



Annual city trips with HZ Community



Your home away from home

Student housing



When you are looking for a place to stay in Zeeland, there are possibilities to find an affordable room in Vlissingen or Middelburg that is close to our campus. Most student houses are near the city centres and within cycling distance of HZ.

Book in time

Student housing in Zeeland is relatively accessible, but early booking is essential. Apply in early spring to secure the room that suits you best.

Renting a room in Zeeland



Housing options

A wide range of housing options available near campus Middelburg or Vlissingen.



Affordable rents

Affordable rents compared to other regions in the Netherlands.



Housing guaranteed

Housing guaranteed for the entire duration of your studies if you register at our housing partner (APV) before May 1st.

'Securing housing in Zeeland is much more manageable'

'Like many international students, I was considering a couple of different countries before making my final decision. But being able to find affordable and nearby housing in Zeeland played a big role in choosing HZ. While housing in the Netherlands can be tough to secure, in Zeeland it's much more manageable, especially with the support from HZ and APV Housing. Now I enjoy living on the student campus of the beautiful coastal town of Vlissingen. And the best part? The community! By living on campus I get to hang out with my fellow HZ students quite often.'

Hi! I'm Samuel from Slovakia. I'm a fourth year student at HZ and study International Business.



Housing with a trusted partner

Housing partner

Our partner APV housing offers fully furnished, move-in-ready rooms in Vlissingen and Middelburg.
Room sizes: 10–30 m²
Options: private or shared facilities

What's included?

From €300 – €525 per month (net)

- Energy costs included
- High-speed WiFi
- 24/7 support
- Laundry facilities & shared spaces

Book your room in time

Step 1

Explore your options

Check APV Housing and other Zeeland student housing platforms to see what types of rooms are available.

Step 2

Decide your preferences

Think about budget, private/shared facilities, location (Middelburg or Vlissingen), and room size.

Step 3

Check availability early

Student rooms fill up quickly. Start searching and applying as early as possible. Eligible international students who apply for housing before 1 May with APV can benefit from guaranteed housing.

Step 4

Register online

Use this link to apply:
www.apvhousing.com

Step 5

Confirm your room

Once assigned, sign your rental contract and pay the required deposit.

Step 6

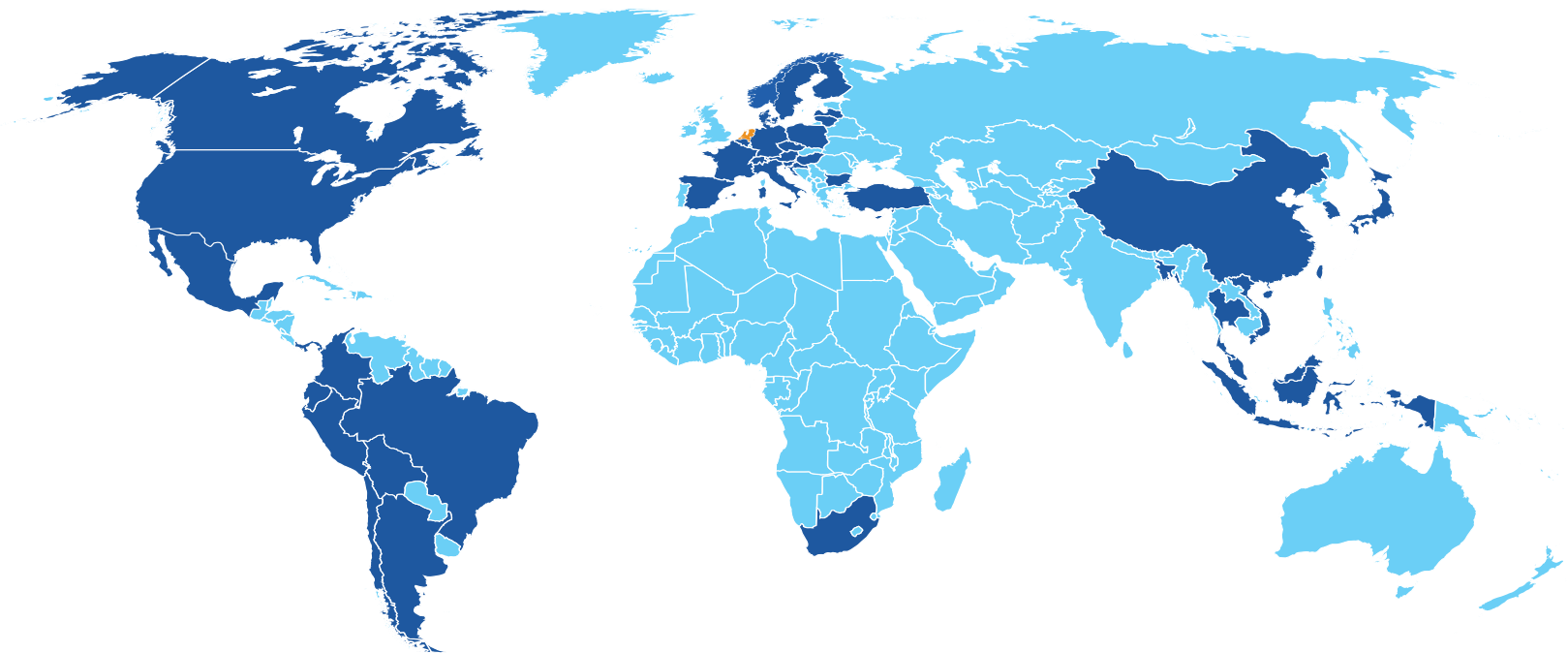
Prepare for your arrival

Arrange practical matters such as insurance, what to bring, and your travel to Zeeland before moving into your new room.

Scan the QR-code with your phone or go to www.hz.nl/housing. To register online with APV, go to www.apvhousing.com.



Go global, grow further



Graduates who did their exchange abroad all say the same thing: it changed them. At HZ, an international experience isn't an add on, it's built into everything we do. Here's how we make it happen.

No extra tuition, just opportunity
While you study at one of our partner universities, your fees stay with HZ. On top of that, you can apply for a mobility grant, like Erasmus+, to help cover your living costs abroad.

A semester that stays with you
Spend a semester at one of our partner institutions worldwide and come home with a backpack full of memories. A broader perspective, new languages, and a résumé that stands out.

Your internship, anywhere in the world
Want to gain real work experience abroad? HZ offers internship opportunities across many countries and guides you through every step of the application, so you can focus on the experience itself.

100+
partner universities
worldwide

50+
countries
across all continents

150+
students
study abroad yearly

Our partner universities

Europe

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| Austria | Italy |
| Belgium | Latvia |
| Bulgaria | Lithuania |
| Croatia | Norway |
| Cyprus | Poland |
| Czech Republic | Slovakia |
| Denmark | Spain |
| Finland | Sweden |
| France | Switzerland |
| Germany | Turkey |
| Hungary | |

Asia

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| Bangladesh | Singapore |
| China | South Korea |
| Hong Kong | Taiwan |
| Indonesia | Thailand |
| Japan | Vietnam |
| Malaysia | |

North America

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| Canada | Panama |
| Mexico | United States |

South America

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| Argentina | Colombia |
| Bolivia | Ecuador |
| Brazil | Peru |
| Chile | |

Africa

- South Africa

Overview HZ's study programmes

At HZ, learning goes beyond the classroom. From day one, you work on real-world challenges, collaborate in student teams, and develop practical skills that prepare you for a global career. Our programmes are grouped into three clusters:

Engineering & Technology

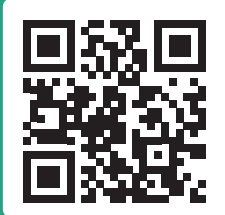
- Civil Engineering
- Engineering
- Logistics Engineering
- Industrial Engineering & Management
- Information & Communication Technology (ICT)

Sustainability & Environment

- Chemistry
- Global Project and Change Management
- Water Management
- River Delta Development (master's programme)

Business, Tourism & Society

- Global Project and Change Management
- International Business
- Tourism Management



Our programmes
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for the
full programme

Engineering & Technology

Civil Engineering

Worldwide civil engineers work every day to improve life on this planet by designing, building, managing and maintaining civil engineering constructions and systems. During your studies you learn all the main aspects of civil engineering and you apply your knowledge and skills in real-life situations.

Programme

Year 1

Study at HZ

You explore the world of civil engineering by understanding the different roles and job opportunities in the field. You study existing constructions and systems, you work on real-life assignments, you perform field work, experiments and research. You focus on topics such as construction materials, hydrology, mathematics and mechanics.

Year 2

Study at HZ

You learn how civil engineering systems are interconnected and how to design infrastructure in complex environments, from inland to coastal areas. You develop skills in designing, building, and maintaining roads, bridges, canals, and coastal defenses, as well as managing construction projects with a focus on engineering, finance, and sustainability.

Civil Engineering in short

-  Bachelor of Science
-  Middelburg
-  3 or 4 years
-  Required subjects: Maths and Physics



Year 3

Minor and internship in NL or abroad

- Internship: you gain work experience at a civil engineering company (as a contractor).
- Minor: you broaden your knowledge by choosing a programme in NL or abroad to specialise in.

Year 4

Graduation internship in NL or abroad

You further develop your skills and expand your knowledge with interdisciplinary and international projects. You complete your bachelor degree with a thesis at a Dutch or foreign organisation.

Three-year track

If you are looking for a substantial study challenge, the three-year track might be something for you. In order to enter this track you have to be highly motivated and qualified for an intensive and challenging programme.

Start in February or September

This programme offers two intakes each year giving you the flexibility to begin your studies when it suits you best. You can start either in February or September.

Career prospects and further studies

Our graduates have secured positions in various engineering consultancies, such as Arup, Boskalis, van Oord Offshore and Balfour Beatty. Think of positions such as:

- Project engineers
- Designers
- Contractors
- Different engineering functions

There are several options to continue studying after your bachelor degree.

• River Delta Development at HZ

With your HZ bachelor degree you have direct access to the River Delta Development master programme at HZ. This way you can obtain your BSc and MSc in 6 years.

• Continue studying in NL or abroad

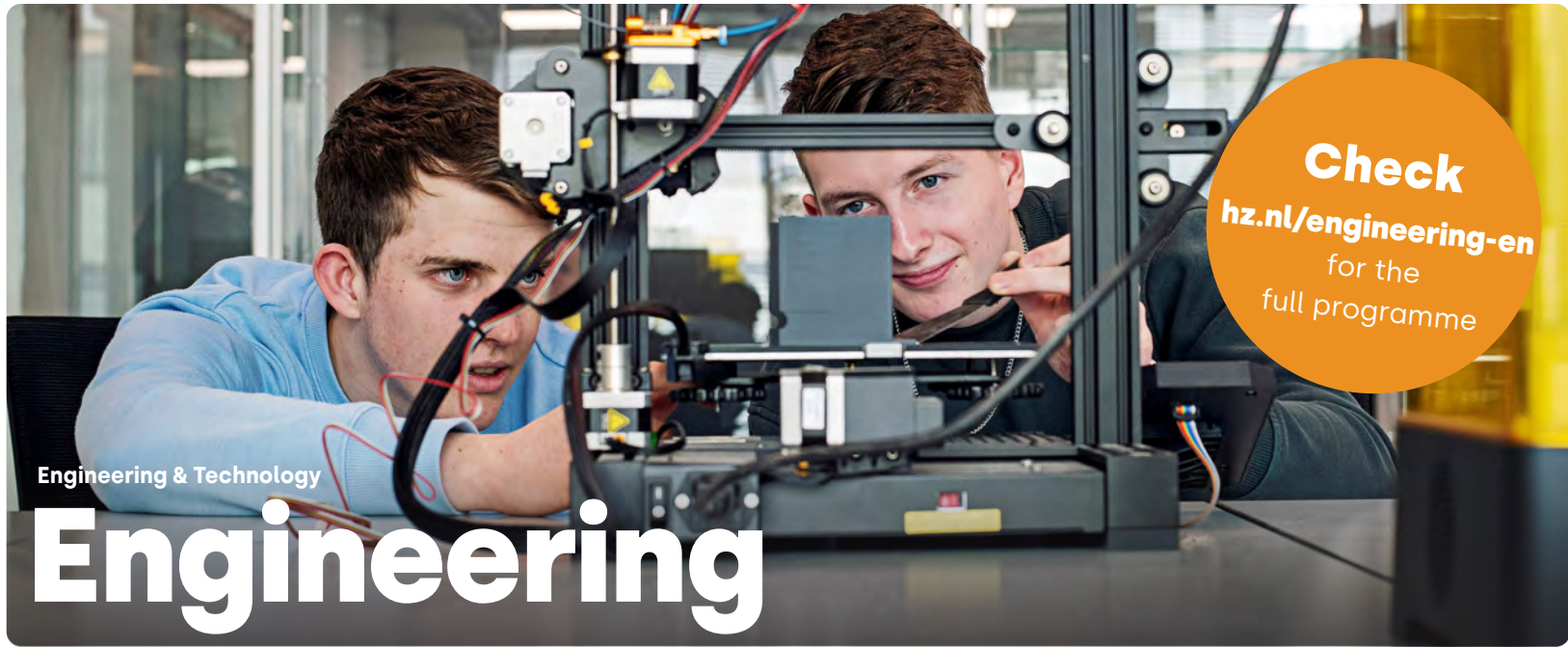
When you choose to continue studying in NL a pre-master may be required. Abroad you can often immediately enrol with your HZ bachelor.

'This programme offers the tools to build a better tomorrow'

'I'm from Rwanda, and my identity is closely tied to contributing to my country's growth. I chose Civil Engineering to help shape its future—it's an essential field that builds a better tomorrow. What I love most is how it challenges my thinking and connects to everything, from infrastructure to sustainability. Each course brings something new and keeps me curious. My favourite project was Coastal Zone Development, where we explored coastal protection and building an energy island. It addressed global issues practically, included field trips, and gave me a clear vision of my future in Civil Engineering.'

Mareva
from Rwanda





Engineering & Technology

Engineering

Are you a curious problem-solver with a passion for technology? The Engineering programme at HZ is your gateway to designing smart, sustainable solutions for the world's biggest challenges. From solar-powered boats and care robots to machines that remove plastic from the oceans: HZ engineers truly make a difference.

Engineering in short

-  Bachelor of Science
-  Middelburg
-  4 years
-  Required subjects: Maths

Programme

Year 1

Study at HZ

In your first year, you get a broad introduction to engineering. You explore the four study tracks available later in the programme. You build your skills through projects, courses and workshops.

Year 2

Study at HZ and study track

You work on projects for real companies. Within each project, you choose a role that aligns with one of the four study tracks. You develop professional skills and create industry-standard deliverables such as designs for products, installations, and machines. Workshops give you the specific knowledge and skills needed to complete your projects successfully. You also follow a number of in-depth courses to further strengthen your technical foundation as an engineer.

Year 3

Minor and internship

You choose a minor, which allows you to deepen or broaden your knowledge and skills. You can follow a minor at HZ or go abroad. HZ offers several minors that complement the Engineering programme, such as Offshore Renewable Energy. In the other semester, you complete an internship to gain work experience, either in the Netherlands or abroad. The Student Startup project lets you launch a business with students from other disciplines while developing innovation, teamwork and leadership skills.

Year 4

Graduation internship in NL or abroad

In your final year, you choose one of the four study tracks listed below. In the first semester, you follow courses and work on projects within your chosen study track. You spend the second semester at a company, working on your graduation research.

Study tracks

• Mechatronic Engineering

Every company with technical installations has to deal with mechatronics. This is where the knowledge of electrical, mechanical and software engineering come together.

• Energy and Process Engineering

You focus completely on sustainable forms of energy, such as solar and wind energy.

• Product Engineering

You learn how to design a product using, for example, biological materials.

• Commercial Engineering

You focus on the business market (B2B) and the consumer market (B2C).

Career prospects and further studies

Graduates of the Engineering programme at HZ are well-positioned in the job market. Typical roles include:

- Product developer
- Product engineer
- Maintenance manager
- Mechatronics technician
- Process technologist
- Environmental expert
- Project leader
- Product manager
- Consulting engineer

Continue studying in NL or abroad

With an HZ Engineering bachelor's degree, you can enrol in a master's programme at another university. If you want to do this outside of the Netherlands, you can usually start straight away. If you wish to do this at a research university in the Netherlands, you may be required to follow a pre-master's programme first.

'A programme that makes you stand out'

'The general Engineering course was an excellent choice for me, as it provided the opportunity to explore various fields, gain hands-on experience, and discover which area aligns best with my interests. In my first-year project, we developed a trash sorting system for a floating boat designed to collect and sort waste in rivers while identifying and safely returning wildlife. The prototype used sensors to sort coloured plastic balls, and we had to apply skills in coding, Arduino wiring, and design. It's truly amazing how much I've learned from these practical projects. This hands-on approach to learning gives me confidence that it will help me stand out and better prepare me for my future career. '



Lenita
from South Africa/
Portugal



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for the
full programme

Engineering & Technology

Industrial Engineering & Management

Reducing stock shortages, improving production processes and making organisations more sustainable. In this programme, you learn how to tackle challenges like these by combining technology, data and business knowledge. From your first year onwards, you work on projects with organisations in sectors such as manufacturing, healthcare, logistics and technology.

Industrial Engineering & Management in short



Bachelor of Science



Middelburg



4 years



Required subject: Maths

Programme

Year 1

Study at HZ & 1 day internship per week

In your first year, you explore how organisations operate in sectors such as manufacturing, shipbuilding and healthcare. One day a week, you work at a company where you observe how products and services are delivered, map out workflows and identify bottlenecks. You learn how to analyse a small part of a business or production process and suggest practical improvements. Throughout the year, you develop skills in technology, data analysis, process improvement and innovation.

Year 2

Study at HZ & 1 day internship per week

In your second year, you work on more complex projects in small teams. You investigate how different departments work together and resolve challenges such as improving inventory management, optimising production planning and making information flows between departments more efficient. The Student Startup project lets you launch a business with students from other disciplines while developing innovation, teamwork and leadership skills.

Year 3

Minor and internship abroad or in NL

In the third year of the programme, you choose your minor for a semester. A minor will enable you to deepen or broaden your knowledge and skills. During the other semester, you gain practical experience through an internship at a company of your choice. You can choose to stay in the Netherlands or go abroad.

Year 4

1st semester at HZ, 2nd semester internship in NL or abroad

In your final year, you start with a team project based on a real company challenge. Companies bring their questions to HZ, allowing you to apply your knowledge in a realistic setting and prepare for your graduation project. You then complete an individual graduation project in the Netherlands or abroad. Recent projects have included designing sustainable heating solutions for healthcare organisations and improving production capacity in manufacturing companies.

Career prospects and further studies

There is a large demand worldwide for professionals with a combined technical and managerial background. Our graduates have secured positions as:

- Asset managers
- Process engineers
- Quality engineers
- Health and safety engineers

Continue studying in NL or abroad

With an HZ bachelor's degree, you can enrol in a master's programme. If you want to do this abroad, you can usually start straight away. If you wish to do this at a research university in the Netherlands, you may be required to follow a pre-master's programme.

'A blend of physics, business and finance'

'I chose Industrial Engineering and Management because it blends fields that are both technical and business related in one programme. We gain real-world experience already from the first year, for example, we're assigned to companies and work there once a week. This helps us apply the theory learned in class into practice. For instance, I had the chance to work with my fellow classmates on a project to design a bridge for Efteling Park in the Netherlands. Our task was to define key objectives, including stakeholder management, aligning with the park's vision, and focusing on safety and innovation in risk management. We also had to handle resource management, covering materials and finances. On top of that, we built a model of the bridge and presented it.'



Vega
from Spain



Engineering & Technology

Information & Communication Technology

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) is at the heart of today's interconnected world. From apps and smart devices to AI and cybersecurity, IT drives innovation across every sector. Technology shapes how we live, work and communicate. And ICT professionals build that technology. Are you ready to use tech to make a positive impact on the world?

ICT in short

-  Bachelor of Science
-  Middelburg
-  4 years
-  Required subjects: none

Programme

Year 1

Study at HZ

In your first year, you discover the broad foundations of programming and learn how computers, systems and apps are constructed. You will be introduced to various programming languages and start coding with JavaScript, TypeScript and PHP. You also discover how software is designed and how different parts of an application fit together. By learning the basics of data science and AI, you make your work smarter and more effective.

Year 2

Study at HZ

You start with the study track of your choice: Software Engineering or Applied Data Science & AI. Alongside your track, you learn how to work with cloud technology, design user-friendly digital products and understand what organisations need from IT. During the first semester you build a solution that helps a company improve its processes. In the second semester you develop a consumer product by building, testing and improving it in short development cycles.

Year 3

Minor and internship in NL or abroad

In your third year, you choose a minor and complete an internship, either in the Netherlands or abroad. Your minor allows you to explore a subject that interests you, such as Cyber Security or Game Design. Your internship at a company is connected to your study track.

Year 4

Graduation internship in NL or abroad

In the first semester, you continue working within your chosen study track. In the second semester, you conclude the ICT study programme with a graduation research project at a company in the Netherlands or abroad.

Study tracks

At the end of the first year you choose one of the following study tracks:

• Software Engineering

In the Software Engineering track, you learn how to design, develop, and maintain smart software solutions that power everything from apps to entire business systems. You build a strong foundation in coding, system architecture, and agile teamwork while working on real-life projects with companies.

• Applied Data Science & AI

In this track you learn how to turn data into clear insights and predictions, and how to use AI to support data-driven decisions. You dive into subjects like statistics, machine learning, and data visualisation. Through hands-on projects and practical tools, you discover how data and AI can improve the quality of your work and how to use AI in a responsible and efficient way.

Career prospects and further studies

Your possibilities are endless. ICT specialists are highly valued all over the world and the Netherlands is known as one of the world leaders in digital innovation. You can work for commercial companies such as banks and insurance companies, industrial companies, IT companies and start-ups. There is also high demand for IT professionals in the non-profit sector, including in healthcare, defence and local governments as a:

- Data engineer
- Software engineer
- Cloud engineer
- Web developer
- Front-end or back-developer

Continue studying in NL or abroad

With an HZ bachelor's degree, you can enrol in a master's programme. If you want to do this abroad, you can usually start straight away. If you wish to do this at a research university in the Netherlands, you may be required to follow a pre-master's programme.

'A meaningful impact'

'I've always loved solving problems and creating things from scratch, which made ICT the perfect fit for me. It combines creativity, logic and what really convinced me was discovering how broad the field is—from design and development to data and AI. One project that really stood out to me was developing a prototype app aimed at reducing digital CO2 emissions among young people. We started with research and ideation before building a working concept in just one week using the design thinking process. What I enjoyed most was that it wasn't only about coding; it was about understanding a real-world challenge, designing solutions with empathy, and collaborating as a team. Seeing our ideas evolve into a tangible product and presenting our final pitch was incredibly rewarding and showed me how ICT can create meaningful impact.'



Silvia
from Bulgaria



Engineering & Technology

Logistics Engineering

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for the
full programme

How can your sneakers arrive the next day from across the world? How can hospitals reduce waiting lists as the population ages? Behind these questions lie smart, complex logistical processes. Leading global organisations use cutting-edge technologies like predictive data, drones, warehouse robots and advanced planning systems to make supply chains faster, smarter and more sustainable. At HZ, you learn to improve and innovate these processes in the dynamic field of logistics.

Logistics Engineering in short

- Bachelor of Science
- Middelburg
- 4 years
- Required subject: Maths

Programme

Year 1

Study at HZ & 1 day internship per week

Gain a broad foundation in logistics. You explore topics such as supply chain management, warehousing, strategic purchasing and data-driven decision-making. During your first 100 days, there is extra focus on important professional skills such as presenting, teamwork and giving and receiving feedback. You also work with practical technologies like 3D printing and robot programming. One day a week, you work inside a real company on practical projects and experience the field firsthand.

Year 2

Study at HZ & 1 day internship per week

You focus on topics such as marketing and export management, distribution and maritime logistics, production planning, big data and leadership & change management. You gain experience by working one day a week at a logistics company, where you help tackle real logistical challenges. You take part in company visits to leading brands like Coca-Cola and Volvo, where you will learn how top logistics divisions operate and learn from industry professionals. The Student Startup project lets you launch a business with students from other disciplines while developing innovation, teamwork and leadership skills. Furthermore, you improve your English skills and sharpen your research abilities.

Year 3

Minor and internship in NL or abroad

In the first semester, you choose a minor to specialise in or broaden your expertise. In the second semester, you complete an internship for real-world experience. Staying in the Netherlands or going abroad, both options are possible for your minor and internship.

Year 4

1st semester at HZ, 2nd semester internship in NL or abroad

During the first semester, you work in a team on a real supply chain innovation challenge within a sector of your choice. In the second semester, you complete your individual graduation project during an internship at a company or organisation.

Graduation internship

You complete your graduation internship at a company of your choice, either in the Netherlands or abroad. During this internship, you will carry out a research project that addresses a real-world logistics challenge, such as:

- Optimising supply chain planning with AI
- Reducing waiting times in healthcare logistics
- Developing autonomous transport solutions at a port
- Benchmarking port efficiency
- Designing cost-effective multimodal transport solutions
- Researching the impact of warehouse automation on efficiency and employment

Career prospects and further studies

With your degree, you will be ready to streamline global supply chains and make logistics more efficient and sustainable. Possible roles include:

- Logistics manager
- Supply chain manager
- Supply chain planner
- Process improvement specialist
- Purchasing officer
- Logistics consultant
- Material manager
- Manager sustainability

Continue studying in NL or abroad

With an HZ bachelor's degree, you can enrol in a master's programme. If you want to do this abroad, you can usually start straight away. If you wish to do this at a research university in the Netherlands, you may be required to follow a pre-master's programme.

'I chose HZ because of its supportive and approachable teachers'

'During high school, I discovered my passion for planning and optimising, especially when combined with my love for math—so logistics felt like the perfect fit. I chose HZ because I heard of its supportive and approachable teachers, and that's exactly what I've experienced these years as a student. They genuinely want their students to succeed. Living abroad has helped me grow personally, especially in time management and networking. I've also worked on many interesting projects, including field trips to logistics hubs. My favourite was managing a virtual logistics company—it was fun, challenging, and gave me a real feel for how the industry works.'

Dzonatans from Latvia





Business, Tourism & Society

International Business

Do you dream of an international career? The International Business programme prepares you for a successful future. During this programme, you develop into a business expert with an eye for global challenges and opportunities. You will gain international experience, build a valuable network and spend 2 to 3 semesters abroad for your internship and/or your minor.

International Business in short

-  Bachelor of Business Administration
-  Vlissingen
-  4 years
-  Required subjects: none

Programme

- Year 1**
Study at HZ
You lay a solid foundation for your future in international business. You immediately apply your knowledge in challenging business cases for real clients. This year you work on themes such as:
 - Internationalisation
 - Strategy Development
 - Supply Chain Management
 - Corporate Social Responsibility
 - Human Resources
 - Exporting
- Year 2**
Study at HZ
You deepen your understanding of international business through real projects. You will launch your own company, develop a business plan and manage finances and marketing. Key themes this year are:
 - Negotiation Strategies
 - Market Analysis
 - Digital Collaboration
 - Process Optimisation (SDGs)
 - International Supply Chain
 - Product Development

- Year 3**
Minor and internship abroad
You will need to do either your minor or your internship in your chosen language.
 - **Minor**
You take a minor abroad, where you immerse yourself in a field that interests you while discovering a new culture. You take your chosen additional language into account.
 - **Internship**
You do an internship abroad and gain valuable work experience in an international environment. You take your chosen additional language into account.
- Year 4**
1st semester at HZ, 2nd semester in NL or abroad
You focus on two main components during the last year of this study. In the first semester at HZ, you prepare for your graduation project which will take place in the second semester. You learn everything you need to conduct a successful research project. In the second semester, you apply your knowledge in practice: you do an internship at a company of your choice, in the Netherlands or abroad.

Master a new language: Dutch, German, French or Spanish

In the first year of the programme, you choose an additional language, which you learn over the course of four years. The languages you can choose from are Dutch, German, French or Spanish. The language you choose in year 1 determines where you will go for your minor or your internship.

'It's a nice mix of learning, collaborating, and growing in an international setting'

'I chose International Business because it genuinely felt like a good fit for me. I've always been curious about other cultures and truly enjoy meeting people from different backgrounds. Fortunately, this programme allows me to explore various areas—marketing, supply chain, entrepreneurship—so I never feel stuck in one direction. Additionally, the opportunity to go abroad for a minor or internship made it feel right from the start. What I appreciate most is the practical work; we often collaborate on real cases in international teams. Moreover, the cultural mix in class makes learning even richer. One especially rewarding project was developing a market entry plan for a local company in the province of Zeeland.'



Théotime
from France

Career prospects and further studies

As a business expert you have a wide range of opportunities. Our graduates have secured positions as:

- International marketing managers
- Digital marketing managers
- Entrepreneurs
- Import/export consultants
- Purchasing managers

Continue studying in NL or abroad
With an HZ bachelor's degree, you can enrol in a master's programme. If you want to do this abroad, you can usually start straight away. If you wish to do this at a research university in the Netherlands, you may be required to follow a pre-master's programme.



Do you like discovering new destinations and cultures? Do the leisure branch, healthy lifestyle, travel and hospitality appeal to you? With the Tourism Management programme at HZ you develop yourself into a pioneer in the travel world. And all that while studying in an international setting in a fantastic travel destination: the Zeeland tourist region.

Tourism Management in short

-  Bachelor of Arts
-  Vlissingen
-  3 or 4 years
-  Required subjects: none



Programme

Year 1

Study at HZ and internship in NL or abroad

Gain a broad foundation in tourism management. You explore visitor behaviour, destination development, marketing and sustainable tourism. Working on real-life cases from Zeeland's vibrant tourism sector, you learn how destinations create value for visitors and communities. During the second half of the year, you complete a six-month internship in the Netherlands or abroad, gaining hands-on industry experience and developing your professional skills in an international environment.

Year 2

Study at HZ and workfield orientation in NL or abroad

Discover how memorable tourism experiences are created. You learn about experience design, storytelling, entrepreneurship and intercultural collaboration while developing creative solutions for tourism challenges. A key part of the year is the Student Startup project, where you work with students from other disciplines to launch your own business, gaining practical experience in innovation, teamwork and leadership.

Check
hz.nl/tm-en
for the
full programme

Year 3

Study at HZ and minor in NL or abroad

Broaden your horizons through a six-month minor at HZ or one of our international partner universities. You can specialise in an area of interest while gaining valuable international experience. Back in Zeeland, you work on destination management projects, exploring how tourism can balance economic growth, sustainability and quality of life for residents and visitors.

Year 4

Graduation phase and traineeship in NL or abroad

In your first semester, you team up with students from other programmes and work together on assignments from real companies or organisations. Together, you will come up with smart, creative solutions and learn what it is like to work together in an interdisciplinary manner in a professional environment. In Tourism Management, you can (partly) personalise your graduation year. You do an internship in which you decide for yourself what to focus on. You can opt for a more theoretical approach with in-depth research or a practical approach.

Three-year track

If you are looking for a study challenge, the three-year track might be something for you. In order to enter this track you have to be highly motivated and qualified for an intensive and challenging programme.

Career prospects and further studies

The range of jobs within the field of tourism is as varied as the tourism destinations you can think of. Our graduates have secured positions as:

- Marketing managers
- Policy advisors
- HR consultants
- Hospitality managers
- Sales consultants

Continue studying in NL or abroad

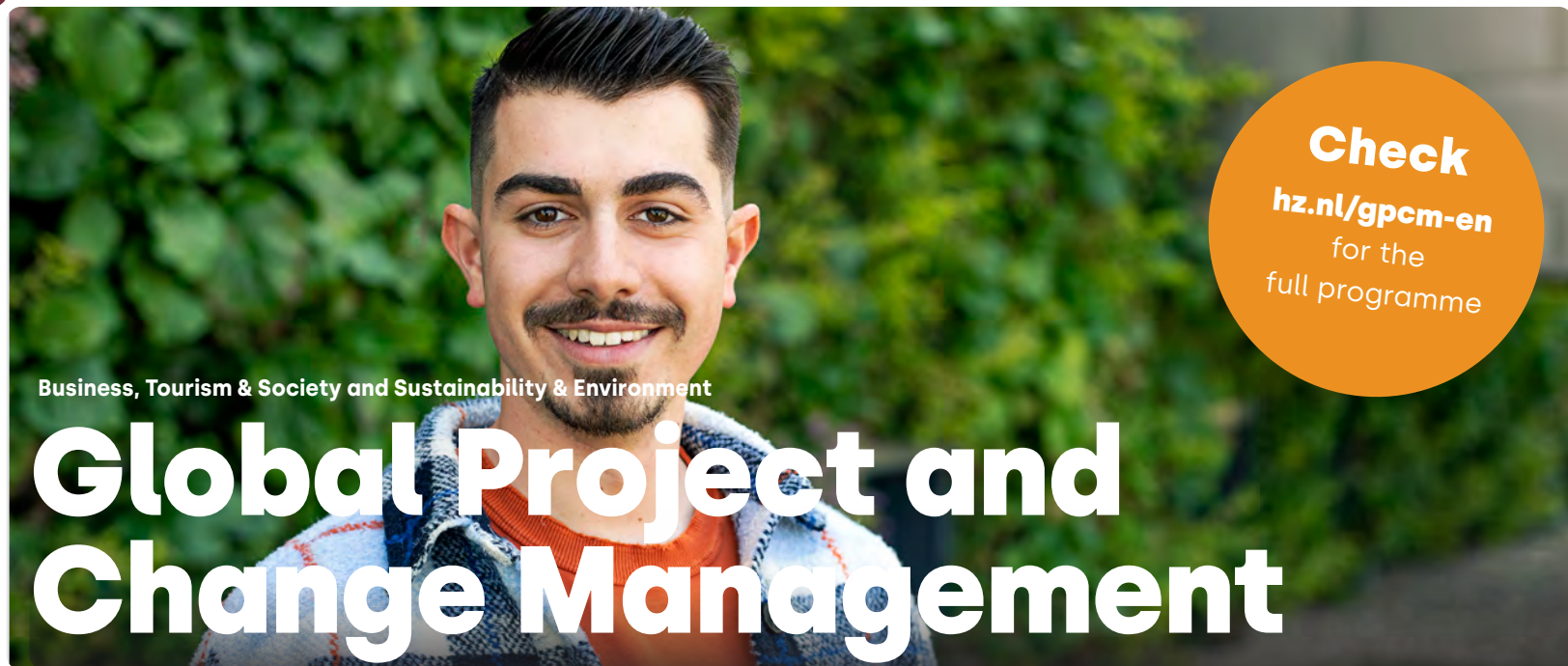
Do you want to continue studying after the Tourism Management programme? For example, you can do a Master Strategic Business Management and Marketing, Imagineering or Destination Management. You may have to follow a pre-master before being allowed to enrol in the master. Check the university's website for more information.

'It's more than just tourism, it's about understanding people, places, and the stories that bring them together'

'I've always loved traveling and discovering new cultures. I'm really passionate about connecting with people from different backgrounds, and this programme just felt like the right fit—it lets me turn that passion into something I can build a career around. I get the chance to develop myself professionally. We don't just sit in class learning theory; we actually get to experience the tourism industry through internships, trips, and group projects. One of my favourite projects was creating a marketing plan for a destination—it really opened my eyes to the strategy behind tourism and what influences people's travel choices.'

Ruben
from Portugal





Do you want to lead projects that create positive change around the world? Are you ambitious, internationally minded and ready to help build a more sustainable future? In the bachelor's programme Global Project and Change Management, you develop the project and change management skills needed to turn ideas into lasting impact.

GPCM in short

-  Bachelor of Business Administration
-  Middelburg
-  4 years
-  Required subjects: none



Programme

Year 1

Study at HZ

In your first year, you tackle real challenges within the themes of water and energy. Together with fellow students, you work on projects for local and international organisations. Previous projects have addressed challenges related to water quality, plastic pollution and renewable energy. Along the way, you learn how to do research, communicate across cultures, manage projects and help organisations become more sustainable.

Year 2

Study at HZ

You further develop your skills in project and change management through challenges within the themes of vitality and food. During the vitality project, you work with regional organisations on topics such as healthy ageing and creating healthy living environments. You learn how to manage change, communicate with stakeholders and bring different interests together. Within the food theme, you choose a topic that matches your interests and develop innovative solutions. Previous students have explored topics such as food waste and sustainable food systems.

Year 3

1st semester minor abroad or in NL, 2nd semester at HZ
In the first semester, you choose a minor to specialise in or broaden your expertise. This can take place at HZ, at another Dutch university of applied sciences or at one of our many partner universities abroad. In the second semester, you join the Value Creation programme. Working in small, international teams, you develop sustainable innovations in collaboration with regional stakeholders. From idea to prototype, you will turn vision into action.

Year 4

Internship and graduation in NL or abroad
In your final year, you gain professional experience through a 20-week internship at an organisation of your choice in the Netherlands or abroad. In the second semester, you carry out graduation research at an organisation, analysing a challenge and developing recommendations for change. This is where you bring together everything you have learned throughout the programme.

Career prospects and further studies

After graduation, you can start working in various roles, such as project manager or change manager at companies and organisations across different sectors. Potential employers include:

- Your own sustainability-focused business
- Organisations in renewable energy or waste management
- NGOs working on challenges such as poverty or climate change
- Fashion companies focused on fair and responsible production
- Commercial organisations driving sustainable entrepreneurship
- International institutions, banks, healthcare organisations and government agencies

Continue studying in NL or abroad

With an HZ bachelor's degree, you can enrol in a master's programme. If you want to do this abroad, you can usually start straight away. If you wish to do this at a research university in the Netherlands, you may be required to follow a pre-master's programme.

'I want to help businesses become more sustainable'

'Growing up in Thailand, France, South Africa and Mexico showed me how human actions affect nature and communities. Those experiences inspired me to study Global Project and Change Management because I want to help businesses become more sustainable. What attracted me most was the combination of business and sustainability, together with the opportunity to work on real projects with real organisations from day one. The practical approach suits my learning style, and the freedom to explore my own interests has helped me grow in confidence and develop my communication and leadership skills. The international community at HZ made me feel at home from the start. Everyone is welcoming, and our class has become like a family. I know I want to work in sustainability after graduation, and GPCM is giving me the skills and experience to help organisations create a more sustainable future.'



Chloé from Italy



Sustainability & Environment

Chemistry

Are you fascinated by both chemistry and biology, and do you want to contribute to solutions for global challenges in health, food and sustainability? At HZ, the Chemistry programme combines Applied Chemistry and Life Sciences in a practice-oriented curriculum that prepares you for a career in the chemical or biomedical sector.

Chemistry in short



Bachelor of Science



Middelburg



3 or 4 years



Required subjects: Maths and Chemistry



Programme

Year 1

Study at HZ

You explore both chemistry and biology through hands-on laboratory work and real-life projects. You learn how to carry out experiments, interpret results, design follow-up research and communicate your findings. During the first year, you discover how chemistry and life sciences contribute to solutions in areas such as Food & Chemistry, Biobased Products & Technology and Health.

Year 2

Study at HZ

You deepen your knowledge through themes such as Forensic Science, Environmental Chemistry & Toxicology, and Research & Sustainability. Working on practice-oriented projects, you further develop your laboratory, analytical and research skills, building a solid foundation for your future study track.

Year 3

Minor and study track

After exploring both Applied Chemistry and Life Sciences during the first two years, you choose the study track that best suits your interests. You begin with a specialisation semester, followed by a minor, research project or internship in the Netherlands or abroad.

Year 4

Graduation internship in NL or abroad

You complete your graduation internship at a company, research institute or organisation in the Netherlands or abroad. During this internship, you carry out an applied research project in which you demonstrate that you have reached Bachelor of Science level while contributing to real-world challenges.

Study tracks

• Applied Chemistry

Applied Chemistry focuses on developing sustainable products and processes. You learn how chemistry contributes to solutions for challenges in areas such as food, healthcare, materials and the environment. Through practice-oriented research, you use advanced analytical techniques to answer research questions. Guest lectures by experts provide valuable insights into professional practice.

• Life Sciences

Life Sciences explores how living systems work, from cells and molecules to complete biological processes. This knowledge is applied to challenges in healthcare, biotechnology and sustainable innovation. You learn techniques such as recombinant DNA technology, bioinformatics and cell culture, while gaining extensive laboratory experience with immunological tests, biochemical analyses and genetic screening.

Career prospects and further studies

As a chemist you will have excellent career prospects. Our graduates have secured positions as:

- Chemical-physical analyst
- Research analyst
- Researcher (R&D)
- Environmental advisor
- Laboratory manager

Continue studying in NL or abroad

Many of HZ's Chemistry graduates undertake further study at Masters and later at PhD level. Abroad, you can usually enrol straight away in a Master programme. If you have done your minor at a research university in the Netherlands you can get direct access to a Master programme as well. Otherwise you may be required to follow a pre-Master's programme.

Three-year track

If you are looking for a substantial study challenge, the three-year track might be something for you. In order to enter this track you have to be highly motivated and qualified for an intensive and challenging programme.

'Gaining practical skills helped me understand the theory'

'I chose Chemistry at HZ because of its strong practical approach and the opportunity to specialise in either Life Sciences or Applied Chemistry after the second year. The programme is well-structured and closely connected to the professional field. What I value most are the practical skills I've gained, which have allowed me to fully understand the underlying theory. One of the most fascinating experiences was the Gram staining lab—seeing cells under the microscope and drawing real conclusions made the learning process feel truly alive to me.'



Ana
from Romania



Check
hz.nl/wm-en
for the
full programme

Learn how to solve global water challenges in one of the world's leading countries that specialises in water: the Netherlands. From the rising sea level and drought to water pollution and extreme heat: you work on solutions that help keep people and environments safe and liveable.

Water Management in short



Bachelor of Science



Middelburg



4 years



Required subjects: none

Programme

Year 1

Study at HZ

In your first year, you explore how water, landscapes and the environment are connected. During field trips in the South-West Delta and the Hollandse IJssel region, you investigate real water challenges such as flooding, salinisation and water quality. You learn how to observe, measure and analyse water systems, and discover how climate change and human activities affect landscapes. Together with your team, you investigate a water system through fieldwork and research, map the area and present your findings in a professional report.

Year 2

Study at HZ

You discover how different countries deal with water and climate challenges. During a field trip along the Rhine, you follow the river from its source to its mouth and investigate how water is managed in different regions. In the second semester, you work with one of HZ's research groups on a real-world project and specialise in an area such as Aquaculture, Water Technology, Building with Nature or Resilient Deltas.

Year 3

Minor and internship in NL or abroad

You put your knowledge into practice during a six-month internship in the Netherlands or abroad. You work on real water management challenges and gain professional experience in the field. You also complete a six-month minor, giving you the opportunity to specialise in a topic of your choice. You can carry out your minor at one of the water-related research groups at HZ, in another study programme within the HZ, or at another university, in the Netherlands or abroad.

Year 4

1st semester at HZ, 2nd semester internship in NL or abroad

In your final year, you work on real water and coastal challenges. During the HZ Coastal Challenge, you collaborate with students from other engineering programmes to develop solutions for coastal protection. You also conduct research within a water-related research group. In your final semester, you complete a graduation internship and work independently on a professional assignment in the field.

Career prospects and further studies

Water professionals are in high demand worldwide. As a graduate, you can work for governments, consultancies, engineering companies, research institutes and industries. Studying in the Netherlands, one of the world's leading countries for water management, puts you in a strong position on the international job market.

Continue studying in NL or abroad

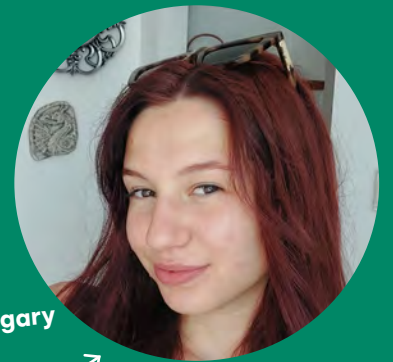
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River Delta Development at HZ

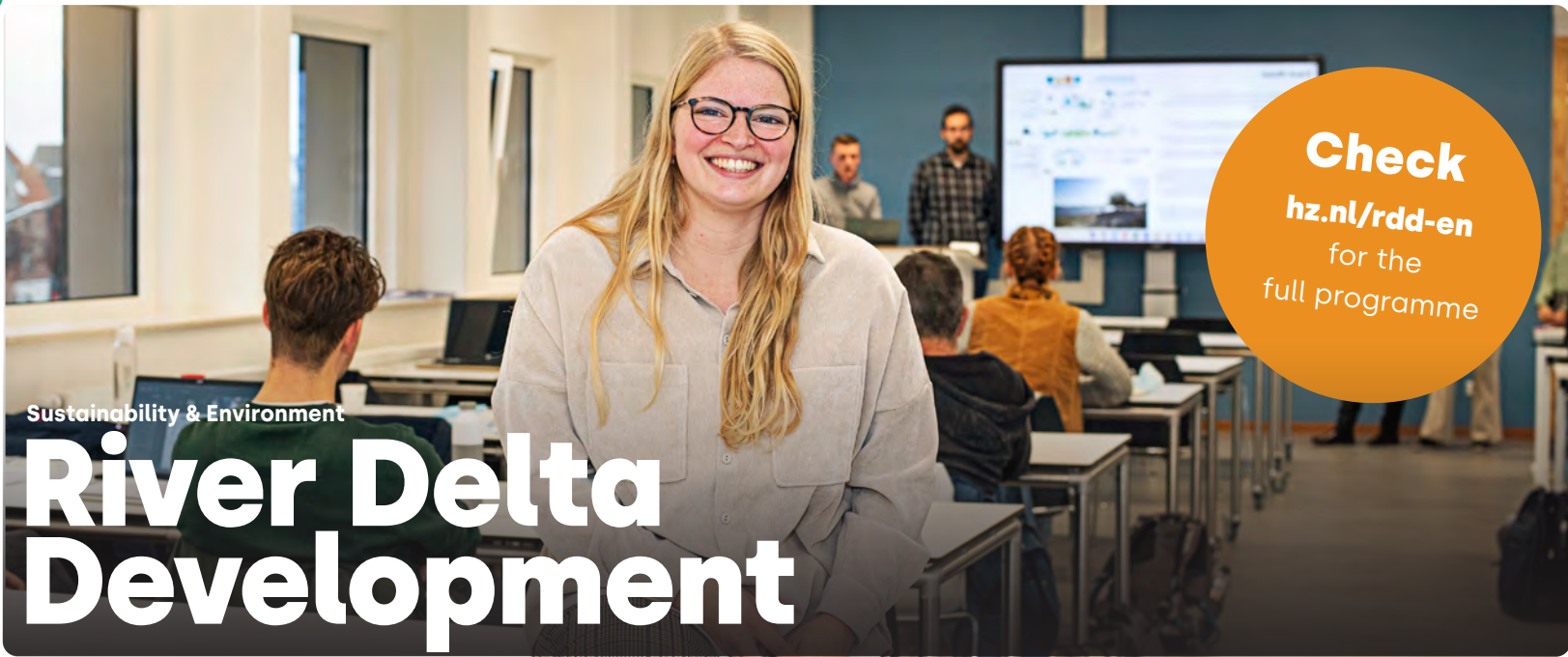
Your HZ bachelor's degree gives you direct access to the River Delta Development master programme at HZ. This way you can obtain your BSc and MSc in 6 years.

'I want to be someone who can make a difference'

'Water has always been a big part of my life. With over 13 years of scuba diving experience—both recreational and professional—I've developed a strong connection to water and a growing awareness of the challenges our water systems face. That connection is what led me to study Water Management, so I can help make a real difference. What I enjoy most is how interdisciplinary the programme is. We learn a wide range of subjects—from natural sciences to societal and political aspects. We tackle real-world issues from many angles, and I especially love the fieldwork and lab sessions—they're immersive, collaborative, and really bring everything we learn to life. '



Tia
from
Serbia/Hungary



Check
hz.nl/rdd-en
for the
full programme

Sustainability & Environment

River Delta Development

Everywhere in the world urbanisation and climate change are endangering fertile and ecologically valuable regions. This requires versatile delta professionals who not only have knowledge of river delta systems (coastal, fluvial and urban), but also possess the necessary research and communication skills to make meaningful contributions to the environment.

River Delta Development in short

-  Master of Science
-  Middelburg, Velp, Rotterdam
-  2 years
-  Required: a Bachelor degree in an adjacent field

Themes

- Intro**
 - Middelburg: introduction**
 - Introduction into river delta systems
 - Excursion
 - System analysis
 - Transition theories
 - Case study
- Semester 1**
 - Middelburg: Coastal Systems**
 - Insight into coastal systems
 - Research in Living Labs (including coaching, transition and intervention)
 - Assessment
- Semester 2**
 - Velp: Fluvial Systems**
 - Insight into fluvial systems
 - Research in Living Labs (including coaching, transition and intervention)
 - Assessment
- Semester 3**
 - Rotterdam: Urban Systems**
 - Insight into urban systems
 - Research in Living Labs (including coaching, transition and intervention)
 - Assessment

Final phase

Middelburg, Rotterdam or Velp: Final phase
You follow several online courses and workshops to further specialise. During the first semester, you work on an innovative and sustainable solution to an issue that is close to your heart.

Career prospects

Compared to a bachelor degree this master programme further increases your knowledge and improves your career opportunities. Upon graduation your career prospects will be varied and covering a wide range, including consultant (senior), hydrologist, project leader (senior) and researcher or manager.

Living labs

- Coastal Defense (Middelburg)**
The danger of flooding is an urgent (and ongoing) challenge that needs constant attention. One of the topics in our Living Lab is coastal defense by oyster reefs. A sustainable and ecofriendly solution to prevent the coast from flooding.
- Improve Navigability (Velp)**
Transport over water is very interesting both in terms of economics and CO2. However, periods of low discharge in the IJssel do not make this easier. Connecting stakeholders and drawing up possible solutions that improve navigability (dredging or different shipping types) is the aim of one of the living labs students participate in.
- Tidal Park (Rotterdam)**
The challenge in this example stretches from increasing biodiversity to increasing flood resilience and its public awareness. The solution is a tidal park where all challenges are met and a base is created for urban development to create a new, significant public space for the city.

'You realise how different it is to apply knowledge rather than just studying it'

'After completing my urban planning thesis on Water Management and Nature Based Solutions, I looked for a master that would deepen my knowledge. This programme stood out for its multi-geographical focus (coastal, fluvial, urban); hands-on learning; and the chance to study in different cities. I really enjoy learning through projects and activities rather than just lectures. One highlight was the "No Sea Too High Living Lab", our biggest group project where we conducted research, interviews, and design proposals. It was challenging but rewarding, and I'm excited to apply my urban planning background in the upcoming urban-focused semester.'

Bart
from Italy



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What it costs

Fees & finances

The cost of living in the Netherlands is comparable to other Western European countries, but expenses can vary depending on the city you choose, lifestyle and housing choices.

EU tuition fee

€2.694*

per year | 2026-2027

See [hz.nl/finances](#)

Non-EU tuition fee

€9.893*

per year | NL Scholarship available

Food & personal

€250 - €500

per month estimated

Student housing

€300 - €525

per month | via APV housing

Other costs	Per year
Excursions	€0-€350
Books & materials	€300-€600
Health insurance	+/- €40 /month**
Visa and residence permit (non-EU)	€254

How it works for non-EU students

Non-EU students receive one invoice from HZ covering tuition fees, visa/residence permit fee, and required living expenses, as required by Dutch immigration services. Here's what happens next:

- 1

Pay the invoice
Pay the invoice before arriving in the Netherlands.
- 2

Open Dutch bank account
Once you arrive in the Netherlands, open a Dutch bank account.
- 3

Transfer back
HZ transfers the living expenses amount back to your account (minus accommodation costs if you chose APV Housing).

Check [hz.nl/visa](#) for more information about the visa procedure.



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Before you arrive

Practical information

Visa & residence permit
EU-students do not need a visa. Neither do students from Switzerland, USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Korea or Japan. For all others, HZ's Student Office applies on your behalf after you complete the application process. You will receive a permit for the full duration of your studies (max. 5 years).

Insurance
Everyone in the Netherlands must have a medical expense insurance. As a non-EU student you need both a health insurance and third-party liability insurance. EU-students covered in their home country can use the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). A travel insurance is also recommended.

Registration with the municipality
All international students staying in the Netherlands for longer than four months must register with the local municipality (Basisregistratie Personen) where they are living.

Introduction week: August 2027
Before your programme starts, you will join a general introduction week. You'll get all the practical info you need to settle in. Go to [hz.nl/introduction](#) for more details.

More information:
[www.hz.nl/finances](#) | [www.hz.nl/scholarships](#) | [www.hz.nl/yearplan](#)

*Tuition fees are based on the study year 2026-2027 | **Based on an international student health care insurance

Can you apply?

Admission requirements

There are three different requirements for your admission:

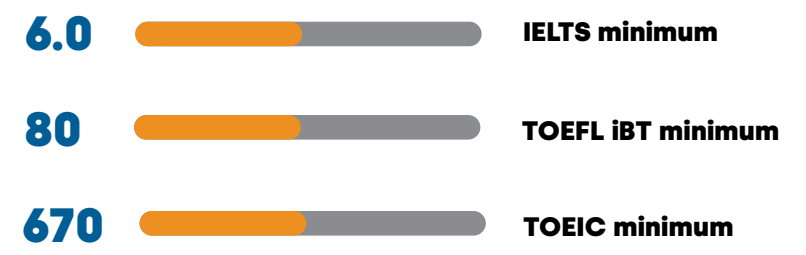
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Diploma requirement
Your diploma must be equivalent to Dutch HAVO level, as determined by Nuffic.
- 2

Programme-specific requirements
Depending on your chosen programme, additional subject requirements may apply. Check the individual programme pages or visit hz.nl/requirements for details.
- 3

English language requirements
As an international student you might need to submit an official English language certificate, proving you have sufficient English language skills. Your level of English needs to have an equivalent of the IELTS score of 6.0. For exemptions to this language requirement, see www.hz.nl/requirements.

Minimum language scores



For full score equivalency tables and exemptions, visit hz.nl/requirements.

Questions about applying?

 Contact csa@hz.nl for help with tuition fees, the application procedure or visa requests.



Ready to apply?

Application procedure

The application procedure opens in October. You can already apply before your secondary school graduation. We can give you a preliminary admission decision based on your most recent transcripts. The process is straightforward and takes three steps.

 Applications open from October onwards

- 1

Apply via Studielink
Go to studielink.nl, click the English button, create an account and apply to HZ and your chosen programme. Keep your passport nearby. Choose 'Log in without a DigiD' or choose 'Log in with eIDAS'.
- 2

Submit your documents
HZ will email you a link to the HZ International Application System. Upload your required documents to complete your application file.
- 3

Receive your letter of acceptance
If your application is complete, you will receive a conditional acceptance letter within 5 working days. Processing may take longer if your documents require additional review by the Dutch ENIC/NARIC or the programme coordinator.

Application deadlines

EU-students (Sept. start)	1 August
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Non-EU students (Sept. start)	1 June
.....	
Civil Engineering (Feb. start)	30 Nov (non-EU)/31 Dec (EU)

Your next step Let's talk

Our international recruitment team travels the world to meet students like you and still get excited every time someone chooses HZ. No question is too small. Reach out and for sure they will help you find your way. Feel free to contact them at study@hz.nl.



Nayab, Laura and Shen (from left to right)
from HZ's recruitment team

Three ways to get started

Choose whatever feels right for you: visit us, talk to a student or explore HZ from home.

Join an Open Day

1

Visit both campuses, meet current students, and experience student life in Middelburg or Vlissingen firsthand:

- **November 14, 2026**
- **January 9, 2027**
- **April 17, 2027**

See hz.nl/openday

Chat with a student ambassador

2

Our ambassadors are current HZ students who have been in your position. Ask them about housing, campus life or their programme.

See hz.nl/chat

Explore online, anytime

3

Browse 24/7 webinar replays, virtual campus tours, and online info sessions at your own pace, from wherever you are.

See hz.nl/events

'A comfortable and helpful environment created by teachers and students'

'My father and I asked his colleagues and friends who had completed their education here in the Netherlands about a good applied sciences university and most of them suggested HZ. When I applied, I went through the student blogs, the Instagram page and read the articles about HZ's values and contribution to the society with their projects. All of this was great already, but what stood out to me in the information session was the comfortable and helpful environment created by the teachers and senior students. I immediately felt welcomed and realised I should stick with this university.'

Aadya
from India



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