

Study Choice Check Rules Fontys

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The higher education sector offers prospective students various activities to support them in their study orientation and study choice process. After the introduction of the Quality in Diversity Act (Wet Kwaliteit in verscheidenheid hoger onderwijs), the study choice check (Studiekeuzecheck) was made available in addition. On the basis of participation in the study choice check, the institution will issue a study choice advice (Studiekeuzeadvies), on the basis of which the prospective student can make a final choice. After the introduction of the Promotion of Internationalisation Act (Wet bevordering internationalisering hoger onderwijs en wetenschappelijk onderzoek), the study choice check also applies to students applying for admission on the basis of an international diploma. For these students, provisions will have to be made for them to participate in study choice activities without their physical presence being required.

Fontys has a variety of activities related to study choice. Consult the website of the study programme for more information. The course of events surrounding the study choice check and the study choice advice (Studiekeuzeadvies) are detailed in these regulations.

Article 1. Definitions

Application	Submission of an application for enrolment via Studielink.
Prospective student	Person applying for enrolment in the propaedeutic year of a Bachelor's programme or the first year of an Associate Degree programme.
Study choice check interview	An individual interview with the student. Preference is given to a meeting on location, alternatively a video call can be offered.
Study programme	An Associate Degree or Bachelor's programme.
Study choice activity	Activity offered by Fontys to support prospective students in their study orientation and study choice process, including the study choice check.
Study choice check	The study choice check offers the prospective student the opportunity to discuss the choice for a study programme. Based on the interview the prospective students receive an advice on their study choice. The Study Choice Check consists of an individual interview. Prior to this interview prospective students indicate what they would like to discuss during the study choice check interview.
Study choice advice	Advice issued to prospective students who have participated in the study choice check in respect of their choice for a specific Associate Degree or Bachelor's programme.

Article 2. Enrolment no later than 1 May preceding the academic year for which enrolment is required

1. Every prospective student, with the exception of the categories mentioned under Paragraph 2, who enrols no later than 1 May is entitled to a study choice check. Participation in the study choice check is not mandatory. The choice, whether or not to participate in the study choice check, is to the prospective student. The prospective student can stop participating in the study choice check at any time. In that case, the applicant will not receive any study choice advice.

Prospective students who apply for multiple programmes may participate in the study choice check for each programme.

2. Prospective students who wish to enrol in a study programme that is subject to a selection procedure (in the context of an investigation into the additional requirements applicable to a programme or in the context of a decentralised selection for a programme that is subject to an enrolment restriction) are not entitled to participate in a Study Choice Check for the study programme concerned.

Article 3. Content and period of study choice activities

1. Fontys offers a range of activities related to study choice, including the study choice check. The activities are offered in the period from 1 November to 1 September. Consult the website of the study programme for more information and the planning of these activities.
2. The Teaching and Examination Regulations of the study programme specify which study choice activities are offered for international students as referred to in these rules. In this specification, provisions are made for students to whom bridging the distance between the permanent or temporary address prior to enrolment and the location where the study choice activities take place presents serious difficulties.

Article 4. Procedure study choice check

1. After registering for a programme via Studielink, the prospective student will be informed about the study choice activities, including the possibility of a study choice check.
2. The prospective student who wants a Study Choice Check can register for this.
3. After the registration the prospective student will be invited separately for a study choice check interview.
4. In the invitation the prospective student is requested to indicate in advance what he/she wants to discuss in the study choice check interview.
5. After receiving the topic of conversation, a meeting with the prospective student is scheduled.
6. The prospective student will receive a study choice advice at the end of the study check interview. The prospective student will receive a copy of this advice by e-mail.
7. Any prospective student who wishes to opt for another study programme on the basis of the study choice advice must submit a new application for enrolment to the other study programme of his choice and cancel his application for enrolment with the first study programme.
8. Prospective students who have made a final choice based on the study choice advice of different study programmes must cancel their application for enrolment with any study programmes which they do not intend to take.

Article 5. Entry into force

These Rules, which concern applications and enrolments for the academic year 2026 - 2027 and later academic years, enter into force on 15 November 2025 following their adoption by the Executive Board on 30 September 2025 after which the Central Participation Council (Centrale Medezeggenschapsraad) issued a positive advice on 11 November 2025.