

## Admission documents

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Please hand over the following documents

- Curriculum Vitae;
- Motivation letter (approximately half A4);
- Copy of Master diploma and supplement (grades);
- Proof of English level; minimum requirement is TOEFL 600 (internet based); TOEFL 100 (paper based); or IELTS 7.0. If an English master's degree has been earned or you are a native English speaker, a TOEFL/IELTS certificate is not required;
- A preliminary research proposal of around 1000 words;
- A work plan.<sup>1</sup> Keep in mind that your planning should be feasible – a regular full-time project takes four years to complete;
- A budget plan<sup>2</sup>;
- Supervisor's letter of intent, including the name(s) of other supervisor(s) involved and a statement on the available time for supervision (please use the document 'FSS standards of supervising PhD candidates by academic staff' as a standard) as well as the division of tasks.

We would appreciate it if all requested information and other relevant information are offered at once. Please keep in mind that we will not be able to review the admission if the documents are unclear or incomplete.

Documents referred to in the text above, available at <https://vu.nl/en/about-vu/more-about/the-graduate-school-of-social-sciences>

- Website > Starting your PhD trajectory > [Training plan template](#)
- Website > Starting your PhD trajectory > [Budget Plan Template](#)
- Website > Information for supervisors > [Standards of supervising](#)

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<sup>1</sup> A template is available on our website.

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