UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM

Graduate School of Social Sciences

PROGRAMMES AND DEADLINES

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Please note that the notification deadlines are intended target dates. We aim to have notified all students before the given deadline, but in case of a large number of applications, there may be a slight delay.

When applying to the following programmes:

Conflict Resolution and Governance
Cultural Anthropology and Sociology: Visual track only
Medical Anthropology and Sociology
Research Master Social Sciences

Application deadlines *all* nationalities (*non-EEA, EEA, Dutch,* with or without scholarship)

- Apply for DigiD (Dutch students only) — Recommended before Friday **9 January 2027**, 23.59 hrs (CET)
- Register in Studielink — Friday **5 February 2027**, 23.59 hrs (CET)
- Submit your application in SIS — Monday **15 February 2027**, 23.59 hrs (CET)
- Notification period — Monday **26 April 2027 –** Monday **3 May 2027**

For all other programmes:

Application deadlines non-EEA nationalities (with or without scholarship)

- Register in Studielink — Friday **5 February 2027**, 23.59 hrs (CET)
- Submit your application in SIS — Monday **15 February 2027**, 23.59 hrs (CET)
- Notification period — Monday **26 April 2027** – Monday **3 May 2027**

Application deadlines EEA nationalities without Dutch WO Bachelor's degree

- Register in Studielink — Friday **5 March 2027**, 23.59 hrs (CET)
- Submit your application in SIS — Monday **15 March 2027**, 23.59 hrs (CET)
- Notification period — Friday **7 May 2027**– Monday **31 May 2027**

Application deadlines EEA (Incl. Dutch) nationalities with Dutch WO Bachelor's degree

- Apply for DigiD (Dutch students only) — Recommended before Monday **15 March 2027**, 23.59 hrs (CET)
- Register in Studielink — Monday **22 March 2027**, 23.59 hrs (CET)
- Submit your application in SIS — Friday **2 April 2027**, 23.59 hrs (CET)
- Notification period — Friday **7 May 2027** – Monday **31 May 2027**

Non-EEA nationality
To check which countries do not belong to the European Economic Area, please see:
https://www.netherlandsworldwide.nl/eu-eea-efta-schengen-countries

Notification period
All students will receive a decision regarding their application before 1 June at the latest. Applying earlier does not mean that you will receive our decision earlier.
Please note that timely handling cannot be guaranteed in case of incomplete applications.

Are you an UvA Bachelor's student with a Bachelor's degree in "Sociale Geografie en Planologie / Human Geography and Planning" or "Sociologie / Sociology" or "Politicologie / Political Science" and applying to the corresponding Master's programme (doorstroommaster) or a UvA Bachelor's student in "Interdisciplinaire Sociale Wetenschap" applying to our MSc programme Sociology?
Are you an UvA Bachelor's student in "Sociale Geografie en Planologie / Human Geography and Planning" or "Sociologie / Sociology" or "Politicologie / Political Science" and do you graduate before 1 September? Then you do not need to submit an application via SIS when you are applying to the corresponding Master's programme. The same applies to UvA Bachelor's students in "Interdisciplinaire Sociale Wetenschap" who wish to apply to our MSc programme Sociology. Your enrollment will become definitive as soon as the UvA has registered your graduation. Your graduation date must be no later than 31 August in order to be able to start the Master's programme on 1 September.

Expected selectivity
All students must meet specific entry requirements. The entry requirements are listed on our website. Please refer to the information on application and admission per programme. In case of additional entry requirements in combination with a limited capacity, the selection of the best candidates will be based on all aspects of their application file after the check on the entry requirements. Please refer to the table below for an indication on expected selectivity.

Master's programme	*Expected Selectivity*
Conflict Resolution and Governance	Master with additional entry requirements and capacity limitation
Cultural and Social Anthropology – Applied Anthropology	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Cultural and Social Anthropology – Visual Anthropology	Master with adequate bachelor's background and capacity limitation
Cultural and Social Anthropology, general track	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Human Geography – Digital Economic Geography	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Human Geography – Political Geography	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Human Geography – Spatial Analysis	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Human Geography – Spatial Sustainability Studies	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Human Geography – Urban Geography	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
International Development Studies	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
International Development Studies (research)	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Medical Anthropology and Sociology	Master with adequate bachelor's background and capacity limitation
Political Science – Comparative Politics	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Political Science – European Politics and ExternalRelations	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Political Science – Gender and Sexuality	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Political Science – International Relations	Master with adequate bachelor's background and capacity limitation
Political Science – Political Economy	Master with adequate bachelor's background and capacity limitation
Political Science – Political Theory	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Political Science – Public Policy and Governance	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Social Sciences (research)	Master with additional entry requirements and capacity limitation
Sociology	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Sociology – Gender and Sexuality	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Urban and Regional Planning	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Urban and Regional Planning - Spatial Sustainability Studies	Master with adequate bachelor's background – no capacity limitation
Urban Studies (research)	Master with additional entry requirements and no capacity limitation

Questions and contact

If you have any questions about the programme(s) and the application procedure, please contact the Admissions Office.

Graduate School of Social Sciences (GSSS)
GSSS Admissions Office

Email: apply-gsss@uva.nl

Disclaimer

We have tried to make the application form and instructions as accurate as possible. Nevertheless, the information may not be exhaustive. Please check our website regularly for updates. Please notify us if the information seems to be incorrect or incomplete.

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