

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS NUMERUS FIXUS AND SELECTION PROCEDURE

What is a Numerus Fixus/selection procedure?

The Bachelor's program in Psychology is a Numerus Fixus program with selection by the educational institution. Your position on the ranking list is determined based on your average grade, your result for the knowledge test and potentially by your motivation assignment.

Where can I find general information regarding Numerus Fixus and selection?

On this website will find a lot of information: <https://help.studielink.nl/en/> and scroll down to "Numerus Fixus programme via Studielink" (on the right hand side).

How many places are available?

There are 600 places available in total for both the Dutch and the English taught Psychology program. The allocation of the ranking numbers is based on the outcome of the selection procedure results. There is no fixed number of places per track (Dutch/English) and the track for which you applied does not affect your position on the ranking list in any way.

When do I have to apply for the academic year 2021/2022?

You can register in **Studielink** between October 1, 2020 and January 15, 2021 23.59 ((Central European Time (CET))

When do I need to submit my application in Osiris Aanmeld?

The application in Osiris Aanmeld must be submitted latest by January 22, 2021.

For how many Numerus Fixus programs can I apply?

You can apply for maximum two Numerus Fixus programs at the same time.

How often can I apply?

In the Netherlands there is a maximum of three selection attempts allowed per Numerus Fixus program (Psychology in this case). Universities can decide to reduce the number of attempts. At **Tilburg University** you can apply twice for the selection procedure of the Bachelor's program in Psychology. Selection results cannot be carried over to the next year.

What is a used selection attempt?

If you have an active enrollment in Studielink after January 15, this will count as one used attempt (even if, for example, you withdraw your enrollment after January 15, if you would not participate in the selection procedure, if you were not assigned a ranking number or if you ultimately do not meet the admission requirements).

Can I apply for both the Dutch taught as well as the English taught Bachelor's program in Psychology at Tilburg University?

No, you can only apply for one of these programs at the same time. You can switch once and register for the other program in Studielink (Psychology – Dutch **or** Psychology – English). However, please be informed that you must switch no later than January 15, 2021 23.59 (Central European Time (CET)).

How can I apply?

First, you must register in Studielink. The deadline is January 15, 2021 23.59 (Central European Time (CET)).

Next to your registration in Studielink, you also need to submit your application in Osiris Aanmeld. Within 24 hours after your Studielink registration, you will automatically receive an email from Tilburg University regarding the procedure to provide all the required documents to the selection committee via our online application system (Osiris Aanmeld).

Which documents do I have to provide?

For further information regarding which documents you need to provide and when you need to do so, please read the information under "Step 3: Provide the required documents" at this website:

<https://www.tilburguniversity.edu/education/bachelors-programs/psychology/admission-and-application>

The deadline to submit your application in Osiris Aanmeld is January 22, 2021.

When will I hear more?

As soon as you submitted your application, we will start with the assessment of your application documents as soon as possible. You will be informed on the admission decision within 6 weeks. If it turns out that you are admissible, you will receive a provisional conditional admission letter. Separately, you will receive further information regarding the selection procedure as well as an invitation to participate in the knowledge test and the motivation assignment. Participation in the selection procedure is compulsory.

Of which elements consists the selection procedure and how are these weighted?

The following criteria apply to selection procedure:

- A. Average high school grade.
- B. A selection assignment consisting of a knowledge test.
- C. A selection assignment consisting of a motivation assignment.

The selection criteria A and B are weighted in the ratio of 40-60% respectively. In case of identical final scores of two or more candidates after applying selection criteria A and B, a ranking number will be assigned to each of these candidates based on their score on the knowledge test; that is, the order of the ranking numbers of these candidates will be determined by the level of their score on the knowledge test. In case no unique ranking number can be assigned to candidates by application of the foregoing, the order of the ranking numbers will be determined by the grade for the subjects English, Mathematics and Biology successively.

Criterion C will be used by the Selection Committee to differentiate between candidates to whom no unique ranking number could be assigned even after applying the above.

Can I prepare for the knowledge test and the motivation assignment?

For the knowledge test, you can prepare by studying the study material that will be available about one week prior to the knowledge test. The study material will consist of literature and video clips.

Of course, further information in this regard will be announced in due time on the website as well as via a personal invitation that will be sent by e-mail.

For the motivation assignment no preparation can be done.

When and how are the knowledge test and the motivation assignment scheduled?

The knowledge test will take place on Thursday March 18, 2021 (the specific time and duration of the test are yet unknown). Different time zones are taken into account.

The motivation assignment will be available on Thursday March 18 and Friday March 19, 2021. Both the knowledge test as well as the motivation assignment are being organized and offered via an online system.

Is it possible to do a trial knowledge test or to see a sample of a knowledge test?

No, this is not possible.

When will the ranking results be published?

On April 15, 2021 you will receive an email with your ranking number. Besides, you can view your ranking number via your Studielink account as of this date.

How can I accept my place?

If you are awarded a ranking number between 1-600, you will automatically receive another email (next to the first email that informs you about your ranking number). In this email, you will find instructions on how to accept your place. Please make sure to accept your place within 14 days. If you fail to do so, your place will expire and will be automatically offered to the first candidate in line on the waiting list.

If you are awarded a ranking number higher than 600, you will also receive a notification email and you will be on the waiting list. As soon as someone does rejects/cancels his offer, the place will be allocated to the first candidate in line on the waiting list. This means that if you are not immediately allocated a place, there is still a chance that you will be allocated a place at a later moment.

What are my chances to start in the Bachelor's program Psychology at Tilburg University?

This is very difficult to predict. Your position on the ranking list is determined by several factors: your average grade, your score for the knowledge test and possibly your motivation assignment. Of course, it also plays a role in how these results relate to those of other candidates.

Will candidates with a certain previous educational background get any plus points?

No, no plus points are being awarded to candidates who have completed a certain prior education. The allocation of each ranking number is based on the average grade and the score for the knowledge test and how this relates to the results of other candidates. In addition and if necessary, the motivation assignment will be assessed in order to differentiate between candidates.

How much chance do I have to get a place after all if I am on the waiting list?

Of course this depends on your position on the waiting list. If you have ranking number 703, the chance that you still get a place is of course considerably higher than when you have ranking number 1195. Available places will of course be allocated in order; as soon as the first candidate withdraws, this place will be allocated to the candidate with rank number 601 etc. etc.

The turnaround time can take a few days, weeks or in some cases a few months.

***** HOW TO GET IN TOUCH *****

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Admission Coordinator Numerus Fixus (Liesbeth Bluekens) via: psychology-numerusfixus@tilburguniversity.edu