

## Excursions

Your free time doesn't have to be spent only in Maastricht. There are countless opportunities for enjoying yourself outside the city, as Maastricht is situated at an international crossroads. Cities such as Brussels, Liege, Aachen, Cologne and Düsseldorf are just a short drive away and you have easy access to Amsterdam, Berlin, Paris or London.

## Travel Requirements

A passport and a student visa are required. Your passport must be valid for at least 180 days beyond the end of the program. You must obtain a residency permit before traveling to Maastricht to study.



## Contact Information

More information about the program can be obtained from the Center for International Education & Global Engagement behind 172 W. Main Street in the Carriage House, at (614) 823-3263 or [tahrens@otterbein.edu](mailto:tahrens@otterbein.edu).  
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# Netherlands

## Maastricht University



- Available fall, spring, or full academic year
- Eligible for transfer credit
- On- and off-campus accommodation available
- No language requirement



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Term	Deadlines	Program Dates
Fall Semester	Mid-March	Early September to December
Spring Semester	Mid-October	Early February to Early June

**When will you have your moment?**

## Why the Netherlands?

Often called Holland, especially in Europe, this familiar name actually refers only to two of the country's 12 provinces. The Netherlands is relatively flat, laden with canals and densely populated. The country provides a number of interesting destinations, most noted for their unique history and culture. For example, the Netherlands boasts more museums per square meter than any other country and is known for the Maastricht Treaty, which marked the establishment of the European Union. If you are a fan of artists such as Van Gogh, Vermeer, or Rembrandt (all famous dutchmen), visiting the homes of these artists is a must. Another interesting destination is the famous 'St. Pietersberg' caves with its enormous labyrinth of 20,000 passages carved out of the rock face of Mount St. Pieter.

## Study at Maastricht University

The educational programs at MU use Problem-Based Learning, which focuses on small groups and informal contacts between students and the academic staff. The combination of this teaching method and an international student population means that you have plenty of opportunities to acquire knowledge and experience from a range of perspectives. All this offers you an international environment in which you study, live and build friendships with other students from a variety of cultures and backgrounds.



## Estimated Cost\*

Term	Tuition & Fees	Housing (Euro)**
Fall Semester	Otterbein Tuition	€ 1,530 - 1,710
Spring Semester	Otterbein Tuition	€ 1,530 - 1,710

\*These prices are an estimate and subject to change. Housing and board are paid for by students directly to the program. All students are required to purchase health insurance. Students are responsible for all other expenses such as airfare, transportation, visa fees, books, and personal allowance.

\*\*Housing prices are listed in Euro. To convert prices, please use a currency converter, such as the one found at [www.oanda.com/converter/classic](http://www.oanda.com/converter/classic)

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## Eligibility

This program is open to junior or senior students who have completed 12 or more Otterbein credits and have a 2.8 GPA. Students with a 2.5 GPA or above will be considered.



## Academics

Otterbein students on the exchange can take classes at three MU faculties: the School of Business and Economics (SBE); the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (FASoS); and the Faculty of Psychology and Neurosciences (FPN). Classes are taught in English by professors either from Maastricht University or from other European universities.

## Housing & Meals

Campus housing is available on a first come first serve basis. Many international students choose to live in the Guesthouse located in the city. Meals are independent and groceries are available in the city center and also by the Guesthouse. Rooms include a bed, desk, sink, closet, and shelf space. Kitchens, shower facilities, toilets and laundry rooms are shared by students. Cleaning responsibilities are shared. Kitchens come equipped with cooking utensils and cutlery, a stove top and a refrigerator. Each student must bring his/her own towels and bedding.

## Services

Program services include advising services, airport greeting, on-site orientation, access to 24-hour computer labs, banking and ATM facilities, a fitness center, and credit transfer. Orientation provides an introduction to MU, the campus culture, academic advisors, and the international office staff. Every semester program starts with an orientation program. An official opening ceremony will be held the first day after arrival. A lecture on 'Dutch Customs and Manners' will teach you some 'survival Dutch'. During these days you will also meet with the students of the Erasmus Student Network and they will help you get integrated into Dutch student life. Other activities include a guided city tour of Maastricht and a study trip.