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Study Financing

- Saba
- EUX, BON, SXM, CUR, AUA
- Caribbean
- USA
- Canada

Start-up allowance

- To cover your first costs between the BES-islands and the Netherlands pending the DUO Study Financing

*(Vocational level 1 and 2 **NO!**)*



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Caribbean

**US Virgin Islands , Anguilla , Antigua and Barbuda,
Bahamas, Barbados , Belize, Bermuda , British Virgin
Islands , Colombia, Costa Rica , Cuba, Dominica ,
Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guadeloupe , Haiti , Jamaica,
Cayman Islands, Montserrat, Puerto Rico, Saint Barthélemy,
Saint Kitts and Nevis , Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the
Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago, Turks and Caicos Islands
and Venezuela.**



Conditions to be eligible for financing

- Must be registered at the Census Office on Bonaire, Saba or St. Eustatius
- Should start studying before reaching the age of 30 years
- Should have a certificate of registration from the school you are going to attend
- Must be a resident of the island longer than 10 years or have the Dutch nationality



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When to submit your application:

Study Financing

- Before the start of an academic year or during that academic year

Start-up allowance

- With guidance:
- Without guidance:

before May 1, 2022



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To apply for study financing

To the homepage of english.rijksdienstcn.com



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Apply for study financing

You can apply for a study financing using the form [Application for a student grant for the Dutch Caribbean \(pdf\)](#).

With the same form, you can also change your application for a study financing.



To apply for a start-up allowance

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Apply for a start-up allowance

You can apply for the start-up allowance for a course in vocational education level 3 or 4 and higher education in the European part of the Netherlands. The start-up allowance does not apply to vocational education level 1 or 2.

The start-up allowance consists of a performance-related grant and a loan. The performance-related grant is converted into a gift if you obtain a diploma within ten years. You must always repay the part of the start-up allowance that you borrow.

You can apply for the start-up allowance with the form [Application for start-up allowance for the Dutch Caribbean](#) (pdf, in Dutch). You can also use this form if you want to amend your application.



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BO: Vocational study

Level 1 – 4

HO: Bachelor or Master



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Vocational level 1/2

Loan + Gift

Vocational level 3/4

Loan + Performance grant

Bachelor/Master

Loan + Performance grant



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Time to get your diploma

10 years

Entitled to study financing

7 years

Gift only for

4 years



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Performance grant or gift

- When you complete your study and receive a diploma, the performance grant will become a gift otherwise it will be a *loan*

Loan

- You should always repay
- Interest 2021 = 0,00%
- *Interest starts from the moment of your first payment!!!*



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Entitled to WSF-BES

Vocational level 1/2

August 1st

Vocational level 3/4

August 1st

Bachelor/Master

September 1st



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www.duo.nl/antillen



Dienst Uitvoering Onderwijs
Ministerie van Onderwijs, Cultuur en
Wetenschap

Aanvragen of aflossen vanuit de Antillen

Woont u op Aruba, Curaçao, Sint Maarten of in Caribisch Nederland? Dan gaat studiefinanciering aanvragen of een studieschuld terugbetalen net iets anders. U kunt bijvoorbeeld lokaal terugbetalen.



Studying in the Netherlands

- Apply directly to DUO
- Dutch nationality
- Older than 18 years (Vocational study)
- Enrolled in a school
 - Vocational: application form/on-line
 - Higher education: www.studielink.nl (before May 1st)
- Parents must fill out tax forms every year



Younger than 18 years

- Contact the **Court of Guardian**
- Higher education will be eligible for DUO- Study Financing from October of the academic year
- Vocational education **will not** be eligible for DUO- Study Financing



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Questions?



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**Thank you
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