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# Informative calculation – advance Study Grant Academic year 2024-2025

You pay a **reduced tuition fee** when you are a scholarship student in accordance with the guidelines of the Study Grant Department. If the income is situated just above the maximum limit (up to  $\in$  3.768 – amount of 2023-2024), you are a near-bursary student. You will not receive a scholarship, but you are entitled to a lower tuition fee. Student Services can calculate whether you qualify for a study grant.

In addition, you can apply for **an advance** on your study grant (as from 15 August 2024). Therefore we need you to fill in this document.

Afterwards you can provide this document with all the necessary financial information to us:

- by e-mail to Student Services at your campus: <u>stuvo.geel@thomasmore.be</u> <u>stuvo.lier@thomasmore.be</u> <u>stuvo.turnhout@thomasmore.be</u> <u>stuvo.antwerpen@thomasmore.be</u> <u>stuvo.mechelen@thomasmore.be</u> <u>stuvo.denayer@thomasmore.be</u>
- during a personal talk in our offices: please find below our contact information.

# What happens after the informative calculation?

Student Services will inform you and the student administration of your campus whether you are entitled to the reduced tuition fee and/or a study grant. Based on this notice, the reduced tuition fee will be granted and you can ask for an advance on the study grant. Nevertheless, if the Study Grant Department decides that you are not allowed to have a study grant (e.g. due to an altered family situation or changed incomes), you will receive additional invoices to pay the tuition fee.

## **PLEASE NOTE!**

This is **NOT an official application** of the Flemish Government Study Grant. You have to file your own application on <u>www.studietoelagen.be</u>.

The official period to apply is between **2 June, 2024 until 1 June, 2025**. The Study Grant Department starts handling files starting on 1 August, 2023 or from the time at which all relevant enrollment data is available.

Thomas More expects you to **apply before 31 January, 2025**. If not, in February 2025 you will be considered as a non-bursary student and you will receive an additional invoice in expectation of the final decision of the Study Grant Department.

# 1. General data of the student

First and last name:	
Nationality:	
National registry number:	
Cell phone number:	
E-mail address:	

For the academic year 2024-2025 I am registering for the programme

on campus \_\_\_\_\_\_ with a diploma contract for presumably \_\_\_\_\_\_ credits (one full programme year = 60 credits). If you are already registered, write on the dots your student number (r-number on the back of your student card):

During the academic year 2024-2025, I will be: 
Commuting 
Iving in student housing

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I have already applied for a study grant for the academic year 2024-2025: yes no

# 2. Academic career in Higher Education

Date of completion secondary education: .....

Did you start a programme within the Higher Education system after completing your Secondary Education? (with or without obtaining a degree)

🗆 no

 $\Box$  yes

In this period, did you ever receive a Study Grant from the Study Grant Department of the Flemish government?
 no

 $\Box$  yes: please provide your most recent decision letter from the Study Grant Department. You can find this on <u>www.studietoelagen.be</u>

# 3. Living situation on 31/12/2024

- $\Box$  I live with both my parents.
- $\Box$  I live with one single parent.
- $\Box$  I live with one single parent who has remarried or who is in a legal partnership<sup>1</sup> with a new partner.
- □ I live with one parent who actually lives together with a non-parent and I am/am not fiscally dependent on this person. There are/are no children resulting from this relationship.
- □ I am married or in a legal partnership myself.
- □ I actually live together with a partner with whom I have/have no children as a result of this relationship.
- $\Box$  I live by myself with/without children.
- □ I live with a family member/foster parent/legal guardian.

Another situation:
 Has your family situation changed since 31 December, 2022? yes, since

If yes, what changed?

# 4. Student statute

### More information is available on http://www.centenvoorstudenten.be/english

## □ Married or (legally) cohabiting student

- You are a 'married student' when on 31 December, 2024:
- You are married, in a legal partnership, or actually living together and you have one or more children resulting from that relationship.
- You and your partner, starting from the date of your marriage, legal partnership, or birth of a child resulting from that relationship, have acquired an income of at least € 10.105,38 over a period of 12 months (these months do not have to be consecutive), and this no later than 31 December, 2025. For income out of labour a gross taxable income of at least € 14.436,26 is needed.

## □ Self-sufficient student

You are a 'self-sufficient student' when you can prove self-sufficiency on 31 December, 2024. A self-sufficient student must be able to prove an acquired income of at least  $\in$  10.105,38 over a period of 12 months (these months do not have to be consecutive). For income out of labour a gross taxable income of at least  $\in$  14.436,26 is needed. A separate domicile is not a requirement.

#### □ Student is fiscally dependent on the parent(s)

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<sup>1</sup> Legal partnership means that you have signed a declaration of legal cohabitation at the civil registry of your municipality.

## □ You are a 'lone' student

You are considered a 'lone student' (= alleenstaand student) if - on 31 December, 2024 - you don't belong to one of the categories listed above, but you do find yourself in one of the situations listed here: <u>https://centenvoorstudenten.be/info/studietoelagen/financiele-voorwaarden/leefeenheid/alleenstaand-student/</u>

# 5. Family situation

#### Cohabitants officially living at the same address as the student on 31 December, 2024:

First and last name	Relationship to applicant	Date of birth	Fiscally chargeable on 31/12/ <sup>*</sup> 24?	Fiscally chargeable to whom?	Is a pupil in kindergarten, primary education or secondary education on 31/12/'24?	Is a student in Higher Education on 31/12/ <sup>*</sup> 24?	Has a handicap +66%?
Applicant			Yes / No			yes	Yes / No
All cohabitants:							
			Yes / No		Yes / No	Yes / No Yes / No	Yes / No Yes / No
			Yes / No Yes / No		Yes / No Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No
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# 6. Declaration on honour of alimony (maintenance allowance)

The person providing for the maintenance of the student, or the student himself/herself, honestly declares to have received the following alimony fees in 2022\*:

- $\Box$  For myself and/or my partner:  $\in$  ..... in total on an annual basis
- □ For the children whom my partner or myself maintain: € ...... in total on an annual basis
- $\hfill\square$  No alimony for myself, my partner, or the children I have in my care

\* In case the income has decreased in 2024 or if there has been a change in the family situation and the Study Grant is calculated on a different year of income, please enter the amount of alimony for that year here: €

# 7. Cadastral income

- Does the person providing for the maintenance of the student (or the student himself/herself) own one or more properties? If yes, how many? .....
- Is this property/are one or more of these properties used for professional purposes? □ yes □ no
- Is this property/are one or more of these properties being let? □ yes □ no
- Do the owners occupy (one of) the house(s) themselves? □ yes □ no

# 8. Advance on the Study Grant

At Student Services, you can apply for an advance payment (free of charge) on the expected study grant. Hereby a contract will be drawn up that you will have to sign. A copy of this contract is also handed over to the Study Grant

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Department. Upon payment of the grant to you, the Study Grant Department will refund this advance to Student Services and the remaining amount of the grant will be paid to you.

## I wish to apply for an advance on the study grant yes no

If so, bank account number
Name account holder

# 9. Financial information to be added

- Copy of the notice of assessment for personal income tax for the income year 2022 (tax year 2023) of your parents and yourself (if you have/had your own income).
- Proof of alimony received in 2022 or 2024 (account statements).
- If the (family) income is reduced in 2024, the calculation can be made on the basis of the 'expected income' of the year 2024. In this case, please substantiate this income with the necessary supporting documents (payslips, proof of last received holiday pay and year-end bonus, non-taxable income, proof of received alimony, attestation of the trade union, National Employment Office, or health insurance fund if you are/were entitled to benefits ...).
- If you had your own income (more than a regular student job) as a student (salary, unemployment wages, social security from the Social Service Department ...) in 2023 and/or 2024, then add the income of 2023 and 2024.
- If you are married, in a legal partnership, or actually cohabiting with a partner with whom you have a child, then add all income from yourself and your partner from 2022 until 2024.
- If the owner-occupied home is used for professional purposes, or if (one of) the house(s) is not owner-occupied, please add a copy of the notice of property tax assessment (tax year 2023).
- Copy of attestations of non-taxable income of 2022 (social security, integration or income replacement benefits for people with a disability, non-taxable grant)
- Copy of attestation confirming the percentage of disability (disability of +66%).

Please not any comments and/or additions here :

# We will contact you by phone or e-mail if we have additional questions, require other documents or if you applied for an advance on your study grant.

# TO BE SIGNED BY STUDENT

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- confirm the authenticity of all information provided on this document;
- commit to apply for the study grant as soon as possible after my registration, if I am entitled to it.

Signature of student

Date:

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