



Graduate school of Social Sciences

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

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You will have to submit a variety of documents along with your application. Please note that the admissions office will only process complete applications. Use the table below as a quick reference to see which document requirements apply to you. For more comprehensive information on the documents themselves and how to submit them, please refer to the information in [Documents explained](#).

Please note that if you have completed (or will complete) a Bachelor’s degree in Sociology, ‘Sociale Geografie’ or ‘Planologie’ at the University of Amsterdam and you are applying to the corresponding Master’s programme (‘doorstroommaster’), you will only have to fill in and submit the application form. No other documents are required, since we will verify the completion of your Bachelor’s degree in SIS (you can upload empty documents instead).

REQUIRED BEFORE ADMISSION	
Document	Required
CV	For all applicants.
Motivation	For all applicants.
Transcripts of all higher education grades and credits obtained	For all applicants.
Translations of transcripts (and diploma(s)) by a sworn translator	If in any language other than English, Dutch, German, or French.
Explanation of the local grading and credit system	If non-Dutch higher education.
Higher education diploma(s)/final transcripts	For all applicants and if already obtained.
Course descriptions	For all applicants.
Research questions	For all applicants, except when applying to Sociology.
English language test score if already available	If English is not your first language. Please see our website for more information on possible exemptions.
Description of any relevant English language experience since the English test was taken	If English language test score is more than 2 years old.
Sample of Academic Writing (please see ‘Documents Explained’ for more information on the details regarding academic writing sample)	For all applicants.
Link to Portfolio	For: Visual Anthropology track
Names and contact details of two referees	For all applicants. Only if the admissions committee deems it necessary, we will contact the referees for reference letters. If you already have reference letters, you may upload them to your application.

REQUIRED AFTER ADMISSION	
Document	Required
Official higher education transcripts (final) and diploma(s) in an envelope, sealed (closed and stamped) by issuing institute(s) and sent by regular mail (please see Certified documents).	If non-UvA bachelor.
Translations of transcripts and diploma(s) by sworn translator, in an envelope sealed (closed and stamped) by issuing institute/translator and sent by regular mail	If transcripts and diplomas in any other language than English, Dutch, German, or French.
Paper version of English language test score report sent directly by testing organization to the Admissions Office by regular mail (please see Certified documents).	If English is not your first language. Please see our website for more information on possible exemptions.

Only complete applications will be accepted

Please make sure that your application is complete before you submit it. Everything the Admissions Committee will need to assess your application should be filled in and uploaded before you submit. Hard copy documents that are required to be sent by regular mail will not be added to your application file and are requested for verification purposes only.

You will need to do a thorough check yourself to make sure that you have uploaded all required documents and provided all necessary information.

Technical support whilst filling in the application form and uploading your documents

If you are in need of technical support whilst filling in the application form or uploading your documents, you can contact the Central Student Service Desk. For frequently asked questions and the SSD contact information, please see: <http://uva.nl/faq>

Questions and contact

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