Vrije Universiteit Scholarships

The Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam offers various scholarships to help you finance your studies. In this document we provide you with the information about these scholarships and how to apply.

Executive Education
VU “Future Women Leaders” Scholarships

The VU Future Women Leaders Scholarships are awarded in recognition of women leader achievements in creating a more inclusive society. These competitive scholarships have the goal to empower high-potential women to attain their next career step. Candidates have demonstrated considerable leadership potential in any part of society (e.g., business, non-profit organizations, public sector, university) and have the drive to create equal opportunities for all employees in the future. The scholarships are open to candidates joining either the MBA in International Business or the Executive MBA: Leading with Purpose. The scholarships are worth up 50% of the tuition fee.

Application process

The scholarships will be awarded based on the following information from the candidates:

- A resumé;
- A personal statement of the candidate (in English; 1,000 words maximum) in which the candidate shares social or business impact she created thus far and outlines her leadership vision on for the future;
- A letter of recommendation from a current or former supervisor, colleague etc. which describes the candidate’s leadership potential (in Dutch or English; 500 words maximum).

Applications (PDF or Word) need to be submitted to sbe.ee@vu.nl before January 3, 2021.
VU “Change-Maker” Scholarships

The VU Change-Maker Scholarships are awarded in recognition of the importance of (social) entrepreneurs and entrepreneurially-minded individuals for solving the grand challenges of businesses and/or society. These competitive scholarships have the goal to provide candidates the opportunity to participate in the VU MBA programmes to make a lasting positive impact on businesses and/or society. To be eligible for the scholarships, candidates have already made a positive imprint on businesses and/or society or have shown the potential to make such an imprint. The scholarships are open to candidates joining either the MBA in International Business or the Executive MBA: Leading with Purpose. The scholarships are worth up 50% of the tuition fee.

Application process

The scholarships will be awarded based on the following information from the candidates:

- A resumé;
- A personal statement of the candidate (in English; 1,000 words maximum) in which the candidate explains how he or she has changed businesses and/or society for the better;
- A letter of recommendation from a current or former supervisor, colleague etc. which explains the impact of the candidate on business and/or society or explains the change-maker potential of the candidate (in Dutch or English; 500 words maximum).

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The VU Diversity and Inclusion Scholarships recognize that in an interconnected world diversity does not exist only in the environment, but first and foremost within organizations. Only organizations that are able to raise the unique potentials of their diverse employees and leaders will be truly successful in our day and age. The scholarships aim at supporting junior and senior leaders who have contributed to diversity and inclusion (e.g., by leading teams or units with diverse members). The scholarships are open to candidates joining either the MBA in International Business or the Executive MBA: Leading with Purpose. The scholarships are worth up 50% of the tuition fee.

**Application process**

The scholarships will be awarded based on the following information from the candidates:
- A resumé;
- A personal statement of the candidate (in English; 1,000 words maximum) in which the candidate explains his or her contribution to diversity and inclusion in business and/or society;
- A letter of recommendation from a current or former supervisor, colleague etc. which explains the candidate’s contribution to diversity and inclusion (in Dutch or English; 500 words maximum).

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In the heart of the Zuidas community

Located in the heart of Amsterdam’s thriving Zuidas business district, come and be part of a progressive community of people and businesses dedicated to doing things in a different, better way – a vibrant hub with a forward-looking focus on diversity, sustainability, impact and challenge.

Bridging science and practice

Our MBA programmes bridge high quality science and practice and offer a platform for tailored and multidisciplinary education and research, bringing together university, industry and public organisations.

We’d love to hear from you

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