

Finding housing independently

Studying in Amsterdam can be a rewarding experience. However, finding student housing can be challenging given the current housing situation. You should be aware that finding housing is difficult here, and therefore, your search may not be successful. We do want to help you succeed, so below you can find some useful websites and platforms for finding student housing.

To give you an idea of the pricing and waiting times for these different platforms, we have indicated the average rental price range and waiting times with euro and clock signs. You can find the legend below. Registration fees refer to the one-time fee you would have to pay to register on the platform. Some platforms also ask for a booking fee after you successfully find housing through their service.

Legend:

Average rental price:

€ = < 700

€€ = 700-1000

€€€ = > 1000

Average waiting time:

🕒 = < 2 years

🕒🕒 = 2 years

🕒🕒🕒 = > 2 years

IAMSTERDAM/local

General information on finding (short stay) accommodation in Amsterdam.

STUDENT 'HOTEL' STUDIOS

Student Experience

Price: €€

Waiting time: 🕒🕒

Fees: no registration fee

Studios for students, located on the Zuid as, at Minervahaven, at NDSM, and at Amstel. Minimum stay of 12 months.

Holland2Stay/Amsterdam

Price: €€ - €€€

Waiting time: 🕒

Fees: €26,50 registration fee

In the south of Amsterdam this newly renovated studio/apartment complex offers housing for international guests and students. The rental period is often at least 12 months, and you can stay the whole duration of your studies. Register for this website and check their offers (new offers arrive on Tuesdays at 09:00 C.E.T.).

Hotel Casa

Price: €

Waiting time: 🕒🕒

Fees: €30 registration fee

This hotel is available for students from October till May. The expected waiting time to get a room in Casa is about two years. You can live in your Casa room for a maximum of two years.

Hotel Jansen

Price: €€€

Waiting time: 🕒

Fees: €250 booking fee, €700 deposit

Hotel Jansen is a platform offering internationals housing from periods of one day up to one month or from one month up to six months. Located in Amsterdam East (Bajeskwartier) and Amsterdam South (Schinkel).

HOUSING PLATFORMS

HospiHousing

Price: € - €€€

Waiting time: 🕒

Fees: no registration fee, €250 booking fee

HospiHousing is a platform for local hosts and families offering available rooms.

RoomPlaza

Price: €€ - €€€

Waiting time: 🕒

Fees: €35 registration fee

The platform where students can book their accommodation with a group or as an individual entirely online. If you do not have a group yet, you can use the find-flatmate-tool to create one!

HousingAnywhere

Price: €€ - €€€

Waiting time: 🕒

Fees: no registration fee, €26-68 monthly premium fee

HousingAnywhere is a student-to-student housing platform where students that go abroad for a semester can sublet their rooms. Students can also interact directly with landlords (with a premium account).

Kamernet

Price: € - €€

Waiting time: 🕒

Fees: no registration fee, €34 monthly premium fee

Kamernet is a platform to connect room owners with tenants. You need a premium account to be able to start a conversation.

SOCIAL HOUSING PLATFORMS

ROOM.nl

Price: € - €€

Waiting time: 🕒🕒🕒

Fees: €35 registration fee

International students get priority through ROOM's priority ruling. This means that finding housing through ROOM may take up less than the initially indicated waiting time. Therefore, signing up to ROOM is still recommended.

If you are planning to study in the Netherlands for multiple years, ROOM.nl offers campus contracts that cover housing for the whole duration of your study. However, keep in mind there might still be very long waiting times.

Please note that via our service you will be making use of ROOM University Housing. This is a special platform and different from the regular ROOM.nl. The houses that are offered on ROOM University Housing are not offered on the regular ROOM.nl.

Studentenwoningweb

Price: € - €€

Waiting time: 🕒🕒🕒

Fees: €22,50 registration fee

Student accommodation provided by all major social housing corporations. Usually a long registration time is required. As most rooms are assigned based on registration time, signing up as early as possible is recommended. However, some rooms are assigned based on a lottery system.

PRIVATE MARKET HOUSING PLATFORMS

Funda

Price: €€ - €€€

Waiting time: 🕒

Fees: no registration fee

The website Funda is free of charge and shows an overview of apartments and houses for rent and for sale anywhere in the Netherlands. Please note that there are often income requirements.

Urban short stay

Price: €€ - €€€

Waiting time: 🕒

Fees: registration fee unknown

Urban short stay is a platform on which different apartments for one or two people can be booked in and around Amsterdam. Please note that there are high income requirements.

Pararius

Price: €€ - €€€

Waiting time: 🕒

Fees: no registration fee

The website shows some short stay, fully-furnished apartments and family houses that are for rent for a minimum of one week up to six months. Please note that there are often income requirements.

ROOFZ

Price: €€€

Waiting time: 🕒

Fees: no registration fee

ROOFZ is an online rental platform to find an apartment or studio. Options are available in Amsterdam, Almere, Rotterdam, or Eindhoven. Minimum stay of 12 months. Maximum stay of 5 years for ages 18-28, maximum stay of 2 years for ages 28 and older. Please note that there are often income requirements.

FACEBOOK GROUPS AND OTHER

Facebook groups

You can also consider looking for rooms on Facebook groups. These are often accommodations where you share facilities with housemates. Applying often involves interviews with the current tenants (hospiteren).

- [Kamergezochtinamsterdam](#)
- [Woningeninamsterdam](#)
- [Amsterdam.apartments](#)
- [Amsterdamapartmentrentals](#)
- [Kamersappartementenamsterdam](#)
- [Amsterdamroomsapartmentskamers](#)
- [Kamers Gezocht/Aangeboden](#)
- [Amsterdam rent a room, apartment, or studio](#)

Great Expatation

Price: €€ - €€€

Waiting time: 🕒

Fees: one month rent

Wendy is an agent that assists internationals in finding housing. The cost is one month's rent. Contact: info@greatexpatation.com

Please be on the lookout for potential scams. You can take a look at our website for [Information about Scamming](#). We also want to advise you on not limiting your search to housing in Amsterdam. Instead, expand your options to surrounding places like Zaandam, Haarlem, Uithoorn, Aalsmeer, Diemen, Amstelveen, and Hoofddorp.

You can also watch the recording of our [webinar](#) from January 2023 or the [webinar](#) from April 2023, which may answer any questions you may have.

If you have further questions, please reach out to us at: studentaccommodation@vu.nl.

Best of luck with your search!

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