About Studie in Cijfers (HBO)

The information below pertains to Studie in Cijfers figures as they will be offered alongside most HBO degree programme descriptions from June 2014.

Studie in Cijfers (or "Studiebijsluiter") is a quick-facts leaflet detailing an HBO degree programme's relative performance compared to the same programme at other Dutch universities of applied sciences. The objective information in Studie in Cijfers can help you decide on a degree programme in higher education.

Below, you'll find notes and definitions of the categories and figures in Studie in Cijfers. All figures are based on full-time HBO Bachelor's degree programmes. Studie in Cijfers compares an institution's degree programme figures to the programme's national average. Left out of this national average are university programmes and private school programmes (i.e. non-Government-funded).

STUDENT SATISFACTION Indicates how satisfied students are with this programme. This is measured on a scale of 1 to 5. When a programme is offered at several different locations, the specific grade per location is given.

NUMBER OF FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS The number of students starting this programme each year. When a programme is offered at several different locations, the specific grade per location is given.

PERCEIVED CONTACT HOURS IN FIRST YEAR The number of clock hours per week students say is offered for this programme in the first course year. Internships and work experience do not count toward this total.

ADVANCEMENT TO SECOND YEAR The percentage of students who enrolled in this programme no more than once and are after one year enrolled once again in the same programme at the same institution.

DEGREE OBTAINED WITHIN 5 YEARS The percentage of students who obtain a degree in higher education within five years of starting this programme.

FOLLOW-UP EDUCATION The percentage of students who pursue another degree after this programme. This could be a Master's degree programme, or a university Master's degree programme. If this percentage is high, it is often a cause for the Job Opportunities figure being relatively low.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES The percentage of students who report having found suitable work within 1.5 years after graduating. Only the national average for this category is given.

UNAVAILABLE DATA If data or information is missing or unavailable, a dash sign ("–") is put in its place. Information on job opportunities on an institution level is unavailable on every leaflet. Other information may be missing because the necessary data are not collected, response rates are too low to result in a reliable figure, or the programme is new and there is no data available yet.

The information in Studie in Cijfers can help you get a first impression of different programmes at an HBO institution you're interested in, or compare similar programmes at several institutions. You can always find more information on a programme on the institution website or on Studiekeuze123.nl. And don't forget to go to institutions' Open Days so you can talk to students and teachers face to face.

Want to know more about the facts and figures in Studie in Cijfers? Visit:
www.studiekeuze123.nl/studieincijfers
www.studiekeuzeinformatie.nl/studieincijfers.

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