

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ en EN)

- **What are the eligible higher education institutions (HEI) in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation (FWB)?**

There are 5 universities, 19 university colleges and 16 school of arts and 84 adult HEIs in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation. The full list of HEIs eligible is available here: <https://www.studyinbelgium.be/en/higher-education-institutions-french-speaking-belgium>

- **How to find an eligible partner?**

If you already have a partner, you must then check that he or she actually works for an eligible higher education institution (HEI) of the Wallonia-Brussels Federation (FWB) and meets the conditions of eligibility.

If you do not have a partner yet, you can inquire with the international relations office of your institution to find out whether your institution already has a partnership with a higher education institution in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation. Alternatively, you can check on the mesetudes.be website the list of higher education institutions dealing with areas related to your project and contact, for instance, the head of international relations office, the head of the research department, or the heads of faculty/department of these institutions.

- **Are electronic signatures accepted?**

You have two options regarding signatures: either the document is signed by hand and then scanned, or you save the completed form in PDF format and you, and your authorities, append your authenticated signatures.

- **Can I split my stay of min. 18 days and max. 2 months (60 days) in two trips?**

Yes, you can split your stay in two trips in order to meet, after your second trip, the minimum length of stay of 18 days in total. However, in this case, we draw your attention on the fact that most of your scholarship will be spent in transportation fees.

As a reminder, the stay of each of the partners in the duo must last for a minimum of 18 days and a maximum of 60 days.

- **What if I don't yet know the exact date of my stay when I submit my application?**

The definitive dates of your stay must be sent to ARES by 30 September 2024 at the latest.

- **If my application is selected, will I be allowed to modify the travel dates stated in my application file?**

Yes, you can change your travel dates up to one month after the deadline for signing the agreement between you, your partner and ARES, i.e. until September 30.

- **How do I demonstrate the intent to sign an agreement to meet the eligibility criteria?**

This is a co-signed letter (or two separate signed letters) from the authorities of both institutions, or their representatives, stating the intention of both parties to sign an inter-institutional agreement within the next 2 years.