Medical Pharmaceutical Sciences (MPS): Admission with a HBO-diploma (Fast-track)

Prior education requirement

Students taking programmes in *Biology and Medical Laboratory Research* or *Biotechnology* at NHL Stenden University of Applied Sciences/Van Hall Larenstein (VHL University of Applied Sciences (Leeuwarden), or the programme in *Chemistry* and *Biology and Medical Laboratory Research* at the Hanze University of Applied Sciences Groningen (Hanze), may take a Fast-track Bachelor's programme at the same time as their Bachelor's programme at the University of Applied Sciences.

This Fast-track Bachelor's programme is intended for students at a University of Applied Sciences who are performing well above average and have the ambition to proceed to the MPS master.

Students interested in applying for the Fast-track Bachelor's programme must receive written positive advice for the University Minor from their contact person within NHL/VHL (Karin van der Borght) or within Hanze UAS (Peter Dammers, Jurre Hageman and Alexandra da Costa).

Interested students should have finished at least the first year of their HBO programme.

An additional requirement for all students is a weighted average mark of \geq 7.0. This average is composed of all course units completed until the point of application for admission to the MPS master.

<u>Please note</u>: The Fast-track Bachelor's programme is not open to students studying programmes other than those mentioned above.

Content and planning of the Fast-track programme

Please note: It is a good idea to carefully consider the choice to do a Fast-track and Master's programme. Please consider that studying at a university has a different dynamics compared to studying at a University of Applied Sciences. The Fast-track requires full time effort and might need additional self-study. Well-motivated University of Applied Sciences students normally manage with completing the Fast-track's programme successfully.

The Fast-track Bachelor's programme is intended to be completed in the first semester of the fourth year of the University of Applied Sciences programme, by taking course units at the UG.

The Fasttrack Bachelor's programme comprises of a package of course units that is, in principle, the same as the pre-Master's programme in Medical Pharmaceutical Sciences. Upon application the Admissions Board of the MPS master assigns a package of 6 courses of 5 ECTS from the pharmacy bachelor program to provide 30 ECTS in the fast-track program.

You can find the standard Pre-master programme in <u>Ocasys</u>. Here you will find the courses and course descriptions. Please note that the indicated programme is meant as an example to give you a good idea of what to expect. Depending on the student's knowledge and skills, the Admission Board may propose a deviating programme.