

# General information on accommodation

## Academic year 2016-2017

### Location Venlo



Fontys University does not have its own accommodation, but acts as a mediator between the student and the housing agency / landlord. At Fontys the International Office is in charge of the organization of accommodation for international students.

#### 1. Standard accommodation (student room)

- The room measures at least 10 m<sup>2</sup> (in case the room measures smaller, usually a shared living room is available or a lower rent is calculated).
- Furnished - bed, desk, chair, wardrobe, curtains (bedsheets and towels not included)
- Shared facilities are at least a kitchen with kitchen utensils, shower/bathroom, toilet, and access to internet (not always wireless). Sometimes extra costs for use of laundry machine and/or set of bed linen are charged.
- Distance to the Fontys campus is maximum 20 minutes by bicycle.
- Rooms in Fontys cities and therefore rental prices differ significantly. It is not possible to select a specific housing agency, room and/or rental fee.
- The rent is according to the local market value in a range of € 330 - €425 per month, inclusive of internet and average use of energy and water. **Stay on the safe side and count on a rental fee of € 400 per month!**

#### 2. Costs and payments

- Different types of costs will be charged. Usually the student is requested to make a pre-payment of the following to the housing agency/landlord before arrival:
  - the rent for the first month
  - cleaning costs (max. €100)
  - refundable deposit (for coverage of damage about € 800 - depending on housing agency)
  - administration fee (depending on housing agency max €100)
- It goes without saying that the student is responsible for keeping the accommodation and shared facilities intact, tidy and clean.
- When the use of energy is significantly more than average, the student will probably have to pay extra. So use energy wisely!
- The student is responsible for paying the monthly rent (in time), so before the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the upcoming month. This is not the responsibility of Fontys.

#### 3. Rental period

- In principle a Bachelor student applies for a rental period of one full study year or one semester. An Exchange student applies for a rental period of one semester, sometimes 2 semesters.
- Extension of a rental contract is only possible if offered by Fontys and only for the period of the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of the study year.
- After the final date of a rental contract, the Bachelor student should find a new room at a legal address by himself/herself!

#### 4. Further conditions:

- Arriving later or leaving earlier than the mentioned period on the accommodation form will not lead to a lower total amount of rent.
- Ending the contract earlier than the agreed upon rental period will only be possible in exceptional cases and only with the approval of the housing agency / landlord and Fontys.

#### 5. Comments or complaints

In case of comments or complaints about the accommodation, the student should contact the housing agency / landlord, as the rental contract is closed between student and housing agency/ landlord.

If the problem persists, the student may contact Student Service Centre for advice:

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