

# STUDY PROGRESS

## Internal control

Study progress monitoring at the VUB:

Every student is expected to **pass at least 60% of the registered credits** every academic year (60% of 60 credits = 36 credits). If your study progress is insufficient, **binding conditions** are imposed upon your re-enrollment in the same programme. This means you have:

- to pass at least 75% of the registered credits (75% of 60 credits = 45 credits)  
AND
- to register and pass the courses for which you have already registered twice.

**Did you meet your binding conditions?** You can continue the programme without any binding condition.

**Did you not meet your binding conditions?** Your re-enrolment for the same study programme at the VUB will be refused.

A student that **obtains 0 credits** in one academic year will be refused to re-enroll in the same programme.

**! Attention:** These rules apply to each programme individually. A bachelor's, master's and preparatory programme are considered as separate programmes !

### More information?

<https://student.vub.be/en/study-progress-regulations>

## External control

### The learning account

The learning account is a system used by the Flemish Government to monitor students' study progress and to stimulate students to make well-informed study choices.

Every student receives **140 credits at the start of their higher education**. Each academic year the number of credits that you registered for is deducted from your learning account. For example: A first year bachelor student who registers for all the first year courses will use 60 credits.

The credits from the courses that you pass (passing grade = 10/20) are **earned back**. The credits from courses you do not pass, are **lost**. Bonus: The first 60 credits you pass are doubled. It doesn't matter if you gain them in the first year or during several years.

As long as the **balance** of your learning account is **sufficient**, you can **continue studying**. If not, the university may decide to refuse your enrolment.

**! Attention:** This system only applies to bachelor programmes!

### More information?

<https://student.vub.be/en/learning-account>

**Study Guidance wants to help you to increase your study success!**





## SELF-REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

- How did you experience the past academic year?
- What do you think is positive/negative about your study programme?
- How was the balance between your studies and your free time?
- How did you plan and organize your studying (lectures, seminars, exams, ...)? For example: where, when and how did you study or prepare for your exams?
- Which courses went well? How come these courses went well?
- Which courses did not go well? How come these courses did not go so well?
- What are your qualities/pitfalls when studying?
- ...



## MAIN ACTION POINTS:

- What do you want to achieve during the coming academic year?
- What do you want to manage differently?
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## Need support or advice? Contact Study Guidance!



### Study path counsellors

Guidance with individual study path, information about study progress regulation, learning account, force majeure and exception procedures

### Study advisors

Help with study methods and planning, writing the thesis, subject-specific guidance, exams skills and planning

### Student psychologists

Support with stress, fear of failure, procrastination, study choice and other study-related psychological issues