

# STUDY PROGRESS

## Internal control

### Study Progress Regulation at VUB:

#### **Pass at least 60% of your registered credits.**

- if not, binding conditions are imposed on your programme = Pass at least 75% of the registered credits, including the courses you are taking for the 3 time (or more). Not meeting binding conditions leads to programme refusal.

#### **Pass your courses within 4 exam opportunities**

- if not, binding conditions are imposed on the course = You are now required to retake the course and pass it. Not meeting binding conditions leads to programme refusal.

#### **Pass at least 30% of your registered credits of the first-year bachelor's programme**

- if not, refusal to re-enroll in the programme at the VUB.

#### **Pass at least one course per year**

- if not, refusal to re-enroll in the programme at the VUB.

Please note: These rules apply programme specific. A bachelor's, master's and preparatory programme are considered as separate programmes!

If you were denied re-enrollment in a specific programme and you subsequently enroll in another program in the same field of study at VUB, you will immediately be subject to binding conditions in the new program.

**Check [vub.be](http://vub.be) - [study progress](#) for more info.**

## External control

### Learning Account

The Learning Account is a Flemish Government system to track students' academic progress and encourage informed study choices.

At the beginning of higher education, each student receives 140 credits. Each academic year, your registered credits are subtracted from your account. For instance, a first-year bachelor student taking all first-year courses uses 60 credits.

Credits from passed courses (grade of 10/20 or higher) are earned back. Unsuccessful courses lead to credit loss. Bonus: The initial 60 passed credits are doubled, whether achieved in the first year or over time.

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

**Note:** This system only applies to bachelor programmes.

### Threshold

If you are starting a new bachelor's programme, the Flemish Government expects you to pass all the courses you registered for in your first year within 2 academic years.

If not, a refusal to continue to programme will be imposed. You cannot continue this programme anywhere else in Flanders.

**Some exceptions to the threshold apply. Check [vub.be](http://vub.be) - [study progress](#) for more info.**



## 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