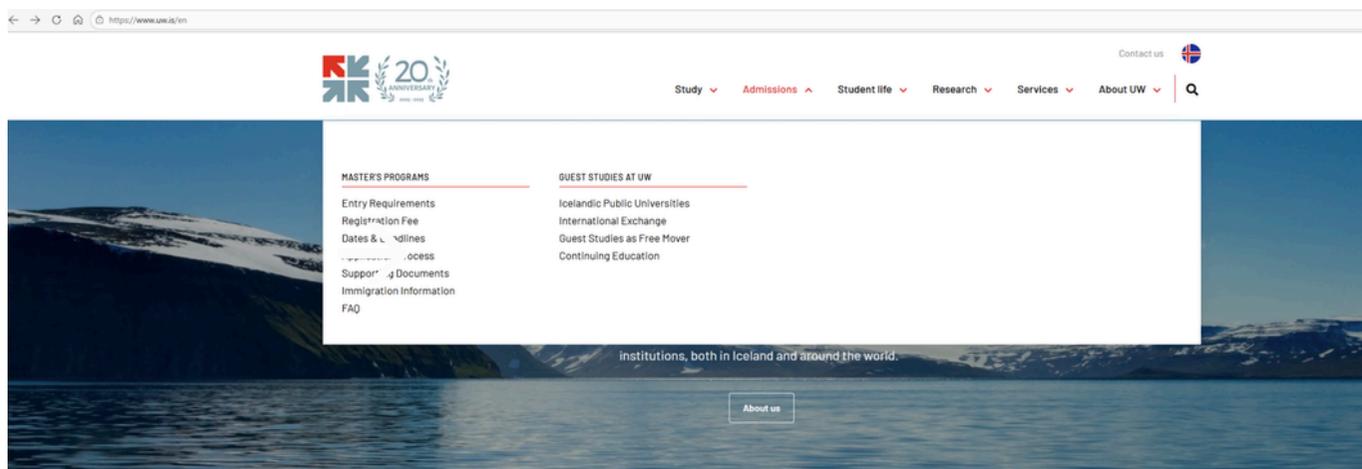


Step-by-step guide to your application at the University Centre of the Westfjords

We DO NOT have any application fee.

1 Open the website of the University Centre of the Westfjords or follow this link: <https://www.uw.is/en>



2 Under the 'Admission – Master's Programs' tab, click on 'Application Process - Apply



All applicants wishing to study the full program must apply online using the University of Akureyri **Communication Portal** which opens December 1st each year. A complete application is a general admission requirement. Each application is reviewed holistically by several members of our admission committee.

Don't hesitate to reach out to us if you have any questions at applications@uw.is

Please note - applicants to UW do not need to pay an application fee - when you get to that part in the application portal, please ignore it and continue with your application.

Before you apply

Apply

All applicants wishing to study the full program must apply online using the **University of Akureyri Communication Portal**. For correctness, make sure to use the English page of the portal and do not let the browser translate. No fee applies for applications to the programs of the University Centre of the Westfjords.

1. Go to the communication portal of the University of Akureyri
2. Register and Login with an email address
3. Fill in your information
4. Apply to the study program of your choice

In the "Programme" tab you select the study program you want to apply for. You can use one account to create multiple applications.

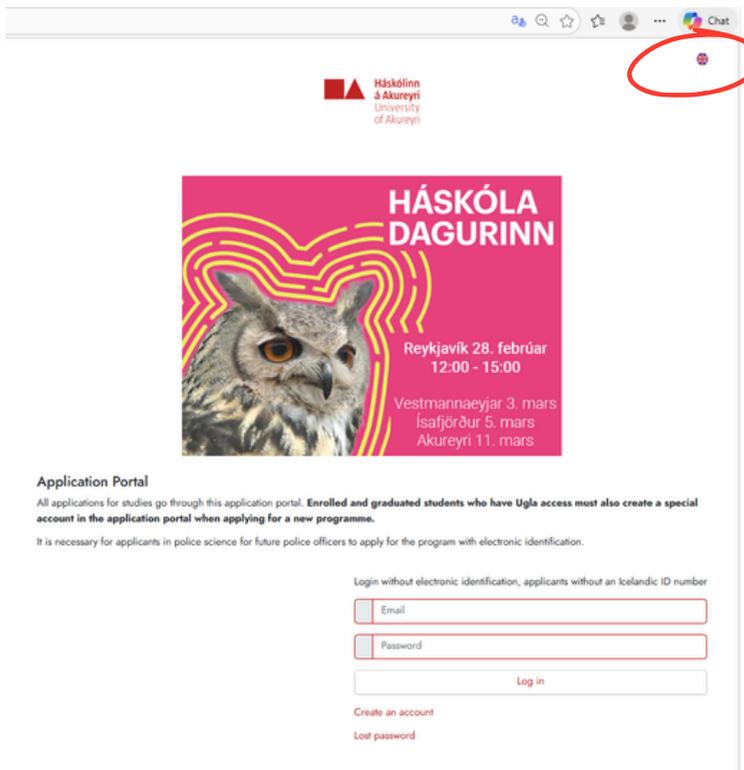
5. Attach [supporting documents](#) to your application. [insert link to supporting documents button]
6. Submit your application.

The "Applications-overview" tab displays information about the study programs you have chosen. In the same tab, you can monitor the progress and status of your application.

Please note - applicants to UW do not need to pay an application fee - when you get to that part in the application portal, please ignore it and continue with your application.

Apply now

3 Open the link of the University of Akureyri Communication Portal.



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Change the language of the website to English.
(not the browser language!)
After create an e-mail account and login.

Profile information

Please write your name as it appears on your passport/ID-card.

Name	Birthday	Gender	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="dd/MM/yyyy"/>	<input type="text" value="-"/>	
Citizenship	Phone	Native language	
<input type="text" value="-"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="-"/>	
English - speaking	English - reading	English - writing	
<input type="text" value="-"/>	<input type="text" value="-"/>	<input type="text" value="-"/>	
Home/Street address	Postal code/Zip code	City/Town	Country
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="-"/>

Save

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Fill in your profile information.



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You will be redirected to this information page. Read it and after click on the button: **New application - study programmes.**

Online Application Form for study programmes at the University of Akureyri.

In the "Programme" tab above, select the study program you want to apply for. The "Applications - overview" tab displays information about the study programs you have chosen. In the same tab, you can monitor the progress and status of your application.

Application deadlines for programmes at the University of Akureyri

- 1. March (NON-EU/EEA RESIDENTS)
 - 5. June (EU/EEA RESIDENTS*)
- * Please note that non-EU/EEA citizens need to gather multiple documentations for visa and/or residence permits. It is the responsibility of the applicant to apply for visa and/or residence permit in a timely manner.

Application deadlines for programmes at University Centre of the Westfjords - taught in Ísafjörður

- 15. February (first deadline - for the best chance of admission)
 - 15. April (second deadline*)
- * Please note that non-EU/EEA citizens need to gather multiple documentations for visa and/or residence permits, and we recommend applying before the first deadline. Applications after 15. April will be considered only if there are still places available. Domestic applications and applications from the EU/EEA are accepted until 5. June. Please contact the University Centre at info@uw.is for further information.

Admission requirements and access restrictions in undergraduate and graduate studies at the University of Akureyri

Different admission requirements apply for each field of study. Please familiarize yourself with the admission requirements before applying. Keep in mind that you need to upload necessary documents with your application for it to be valid. Note that submitted documents are not returned to applicants.

Citizens of countries outside EEA/EFTA (excepting the Faroe Islands and Greenland) are required to pay a fee of 50 EUR for the handling and processing of their applications. The fee is charged as part of the online application process. *The handling and processing fee is not refundable.* Please note that there is no application fee for programmes taught at the University Centre of the Westfjords.

Available Master's programmes taught in English:

- Polar Law - not accepting application in 2026**
Teaching takes place in Akureyri. Please see application information and requirements here: <https://www.unak.is/english/study/education/degree-seeking-students/polar-law>
- Research Masters in Psychology**
Teaching takes place in Akureyri. Please see application information and requirements here: <https://ugla.unak.is/kennsluskra/index.php?tab=nam&chapter=namsleid&id=640156&namskra=1&kennsluar=current>
- Natural Resource Science**
Teaching takes place in Akureyri. Please see application information and requirements here: <https://www.unak.is/english/study/education/degree-seeking-students/natural-resource-sciences>
- Coastal Communities and Regional Development**
The program is offered by the University Centre of the Westfjords in Ísafjörður and teaching takes place in Ísafjörður. Please see application information and requirements here: <https://www.uw.is/en/admissions/masters-programs>
- Coastal and Marine Management**
The program is offered by the University Centre of the Westfjords in Ísafjörður and teaching takes place in Ísafjörður. Please see application information and requirements here: <https://www.uw.is/en/admissions/masters-programs>

Registration upon application acceptance

Information for registration fee at the University of Akureyri can be found on [UNAK website](#). Once applicants have been accepted for study at the **University of Akureyri**, they will be prompted by the application portal to pay an annual registration fee.

Information about the registration fee at the **University Centre of the Westfjords** can be found on [website](#). Supporting documents may be sent directly to the University Centre of the Westfjords. For further questions please contact the staff of the **University Centre**.

The registration fee is **non-refundable**.

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Use the buttons to filter. Do not use the search function.

The application deadline at UNAK, which starts in the autumn, is 5 June. Other application deadlines may apply to individual study programmes

- The application deadline for the Diploma in Police Studies for future police officers is March 26, 2026.
- The main application deadline for studies at the University Centre of the Westfjords is 15 February
- The extra application deadline for studies at the University Centre of the Westfjords is 5 June

NOTE - If an applicant is found to have forged application documents, UNAK reserves the right to expel the applicant from the programme and the course process will be deleted.

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Graduate studies

Partner institutions

Graduate programs available:

Coastal and Marine Management, MRM 120 ECTS

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Coastal Communities and Regional Development, MA 120 ECTS

🔍 Details

📧 Apply

Enter the required information and upload the necessary documents.

Application to study at the University Centre of the Westfjords

Coastal and Marine Management (MRM), 120 credits

University Centre of the Westfjords

The program is offered by the **University Centre of the Westfjords in Ísafjörður** in co-operation with the University of Akureyri. **Teaching takes place in Ísafjörður.** The language of teaching is English.

Admission Criteria

Applicants must hold a recognized bachelor's degree (BA, BSc, or BEd) from an internationally accredited university, ideally with a first-class grade. A bachelor's degree in this context is defined as a qualification obtained at a higher education institution where the holder has completed no less than 180 ECTS credits of an organized study program.

Required Supporting Documents

1. Curriculum Vitae (CV) complete, recent and in English (pdf).

2. Letter of Intent.

Please submit a one–two-page statement about your interest in the program at the University Centre of the Westfjords. Specifically, your statement should clearly address the following: How has your background (educational and other) prepared you for the master's program? Why does the program appeal to you? What do you want to do in the future and how will this master's degree help contribute to your plans?

3. Two reference.

- Must be sent directly by the referee via email to applications@uw.is
- No anonymous or unverified submissions.
- References uploaded to the application portal or sent by the applicant are not accepted.

4. Language proficiency certificate.

- Required for non-native speakers.*
- Accepted tests: TOEFL iBT, IELTS, IET, CAE/CPE, PTE, Duolingo, TOEIC.
- Minimum level: CEFR C1 (TOEFL 95 / IELTS 7–7.5).
- Test scores must be verifiable.
- University letters confirming proficiency are not accepted.

*It is anticipated that applicants from Nordic countries and one of the following countries (Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, United Kingdom, USA) possess adequate skills in the language. Applicants may be exempt from providing a test score if they can prove their academic English language skills with a university degree completed in English in one of the following English-speaking countries: Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, United Kingdom, USA, that was taught and assessed entirely in English. The language of instruction must be clearly indicated on the educational documents.

5. Academic Transcripts.

Applicants must submit official documentation of their higher education, including all programs of study and grades achieved. If you are in your final year and have not yet received your degree certificate, you may submit an interim transcript showing grades achieved to date.

Accepted formats for official transcripts:

- A digital version of an official transcript with an electronic signature and seal.
- A digital version that can be verified through the issuing university's online verification portal.
- An official transcript sent via a secure third-party electronic system. Please register applications@uw.is as the recipient and select the longest possible availability period.
- Transcripts sent via email may be accepted if sent directly from an authorized school official (e.g., registrar's office, controller of examinations) to applications@uw.is. If UW cannot verify the sender, the emailed transcript will not be accepted as official.
- Official original documents may be posted to:

University Centre of the Westfjords
Suðurgata 12,
400 Ísafjörður,
Iceland

Documents must be sealed in the original envelope provided by the issuing institution and bear the university seal and registrar's signature.

Official academic transcripts must be submitted before admission can be confirmed.

If you encounter difficulties in providing official documents, contact astid@uw.is or info@uw.is.

6. Passport copy.

Starred (*) fields must be filled in in order to submit an application

- * I have read and studied the admission requirements of the University of Akureyri
- * I have studied the information on the supporting documents requested

Previous studies

Identify previous studies – highest or most recent degree first

Here you should enter information about previous degrees, the most recent degree at the top and by selecting "Add" you can add degrees that support the application.

*School *Subject *Degree

*Countries *Have you completed your studies? Select "Yes" or "No" *Final year

*Month

Add

Names and e-mail addresses/telephone numbers of two referees, e.g. a teacher and/or

employer

*Name of the referee *Referee's email address Phone number

Relationship with the applicant

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Relationship with the applicant

Supporting documents

It is important to submit all required supporting documents in pdf format.

A CV must be in pdf format.

If you have a CV, it is obvious to use it, if not, the university will provide a template for a CV.

*CV

Datei auswählen Keine Datei ausgewählt

Diploma / Academic record with grades must be stamped from the school or with a digital signature and sent in pdf format

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Diploma / Academic record with grades

Datei auswählen Keine Datei ausgewählt

Here you can submit other documents that you believe can support the application. It varies between study programmes whether they will be taken into account in the processing of applications. Data can also be sent to nemsk@unak.is

Miscellaneous other attachments

Datei auswählen Keine Datei ausgewählt

A form for the Faculty's cover letter/additional information can be found in the text above (varies between programmes) and on the website. A cover letter must be sent in pdf format

*Cover letter / Additional information

Datei auswählen Keine Datei ausgewählt

Diploma / Academic record with grades must be stamped from the school or with a digital signature and sent in pdf format

Diploma / Academic record with grades

Datei auswählen Keine Datei ausgewählt

Copy of passport in pdf format

*Passport Copy

Datei auswählen Keine Datei ausgewählt

Save Send application Cancel

You can overview your information here.

Overview of applications

Selected study programs will be displayed here and here you also need to monitor the status and processing of applications

Well DONE!



For more detailed instructions, watch the explanatory video!