



Regulations on financial support for student party board members at Leiden University (2022)

Students who sit on the board of a student party may be entitled to financial support via the LAssO. A student party is a co-participation body that puts forward candidates for election as student members of Faculty and University Councils. Student parties are expected to undertake the following tasks:

- Recruiting election candidates and preparing electoral lists;
- Drafting party policies and programmes;
- Establishing a network by e.g. organising activities for members;
- Facilitating knowledge sharing between parties and faculties;
- Training new council members.

The board of a student party may be eligible for financial support if it meets all the following criteria:

- It fulfils all the tasks listed above;
- It has existed for at least one year and has participated in at least one university election;
- It has at least one seat on a Faculty and/or University Council.

Amount of financial support

Here below is a model that shows the weight allocated to each of the following aspects when determining the amount of financial support to be awarded: number of hours spent, number of students served, extent to which the student party has an impact on the entire university community, and incidental aspects that merit reward. When applying for financial support, student parties must detail their activities explicitly in terms of all these aspects.

The amount of financial support is determined on the basis of a number of criteria:

- Number of hours spent by the organisation, of which <25% may be meeting time (indicated as a number between 0 and 5, with 1 representing 2000 hours spent);
- Size of student community served, determined by the number of faculties in which the student party is actively involved and participates in co-participation elections (indicated as a number between 0 and 5), for which the following point system is in place:
 - 1 point: active at 1 or 2 faculties;
 - 2 points: active at 3 or 4 faculties;
 - 3 points: active at 5 faculties;
 - 4 points: active at 6 faculties;
 - 5 points: active at 7 faculties.
- Extent to which the student party has an impact on the entire university community (indicated as a number between 0 and 5), the following aspects being taken into consideration:
 - Contribution to increasing the visibility of student participation;
 - Contribution to bonding within the academic community;
 - Representation of the interests of a diverse group of students.



- If found to be justified by the LAssO, a half point bonus for e.g. innovative or highly professional work. This point not being taken into account when calculating the 'adjusted total', see below.

The maximum obtainable number of points is 15, which will then be adjusted to a total out of 7.5. This adjusted total determines the amount of financial support to be awarded. 0 points means 0 months' worth of financial support, 7.5 points means 22.5 months' worth of financial support. The maximum amount awardable is 22.5 months' worth of financial support (excluding the half point bonus when applicable).

Calculation model – Student party board member financial support - LAssO (2022)	Points	Details
Number of hours spent	/5	
Size of student community served	/5	
Impact on university community	/5	
Bonus		
Total	/15	
Adjusted total	/7,5	
Number of months' worth financial support		Adjusted total × 3