

Binding Study Advice regulation (handling)

The Binding Study Advice (BSA) is part of the right of admission (Act on Early Application Dates and Admission Rights for MBO). This means that during your first year of study (starting from the first day of classes), you will receive a Binding Study Advice after a period of nine to twelve months. At Summa, if you start in August, you will receive your BSA before May 15th. If you enroll at a different time—for example, in February—you will receive your BSA ten months after your enrollment date. For one-year courses, you will receive a BSA after three to four months.

Progress meetings

At Summa, you will have at least two progress reviews during your first year, which lead to a study advice. For a one-year course, you will have at least one progress review. During the study progress review, the assessment is made as to whether your academic results are sufficient.

Positive or negative

A study advice can be positive or negative. Academic advice is provided solely on the basis of academic progress. Under strict conditions, professional attitude may be taken into account in the study advice; a negative professional attitude can impact academic progress. A negative study advice may be issued if there is insufficient overall progress during the first year. The Education and Examination Regulations (OER) specify the requirements for receiving a positive advice.

Alternative solutions

If academic progress is insufficient, a negative BSA is issued. If this results in a decision to dismiss you from the course, alternative solutions will be sought in consultation with you and the student support team. You will no longer be able to enroll in the same course. Over a period of eight weeks, you will be guided towards a different educational program, or a search will be made for another suitable solution.