UNIVERSITY COLLEGES IN THE NETHERLANDS
AN INTRODUCTION TO STUDYING IN THE NETHERLANDS

WHY STUDY IN THE NETHERLANDS?
This introduction to studying in the Netherlands will explain why studying in the Netherlands is an excellent choice for international students, and provide important information on admission requirements, procedures and finances, useful websites and contact details for universities across The Netherlands.

Universities in the Netherlands now offer close to 1900 English-taught programs. This is not a recent development: the Netherlands was the first non-Anglophone country to start teaching in English.

Outside the classroom English is widely spoken across the country, and The Netherlands is home to a very international population therefore students will not experience a language barrier when studying in Holland.

Education in the Netherlands tends to be interactive and focused on the students’ needs. Students are expected to participate actively in discussions, workshops, presentations, in-class simulations and individual research. In addition, they have the opportunity to do (academic) internships, go on exchange to other universities around the world, take part in honours/excellence programmes, participate in community and more.

Dutch Universities are well-represented in international higher education rankings, such as the Times Higher Education World University Rankings, the QS World University Rankings and the Academic Ranking of World Universities. This is important for your future academic career and your world-wide network. With relatively low tuition rates, education in the Netherlands is a great value!

Ideally located in the heart of Europe, The Netherlands offers students the opportunity to experience many cultures at their doorstep. International students have many services on campus to help them feel welcome, such as orientation weeks/days, international advisors/coordinators, counselors, social groups, committees – the list is long! Dutch higher education institutions are well-equipped to give you the best student experience possible.

VALUE OF A DUTCH DEGREE
Dutch higher education has a binary system, which means that students can choose between two types of degrees:
• research-oriented, offered by research universities;
• professional, offered by universities of applied sciences.

At a Research University students will focus more on academically-oriented work. Logically, the focus is on research, but professional skills and settings are also a part of most programmes. These programmes are 3 year bachelor’s programmes leading to 1-2 year master’s programme, also at a Research University.
At a University of Applied Science students can choose a more practically oriented program to prepare them for a specific career. These are 4 year bachelor’s programmes, leading to a master’s programme at a University of Applied Science. As such, Universities of Applied Science usually have lower admission requirements than Research Universities.

Because all universities in the Netherlands are publicly funded, they are obliged by law to be accredited by the Dutch-Flemish Accreditation Organization (NVAO). Some universities additionally hold international accreditations.

The degree conferred upon graduating students is that of Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) or Bachelor of Laws (LLB). Most students who have obtained a bachelor’s degree go directly into master’s programs. Many graduates from Dutch university programs pursue a master’s and/or Ph.D. at Oxford, Cambridge, Harvard, MIT and other top-notch international universities.

**ADMISSIONS**
There is no one general admission requirement/procedure package that applies to all Dutch universities. What follows here is an overview of some general principles. Please make sure to check specific admission requirements with the individual institutions.

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**
- **Diploma requirements may differ**, but Dutch universities will always ask international applicants for an IB/EB Diploma, or an American Diploma with 3-4 APs, or 3 A-Levels, or one of many other national university preparation diplomas from countries across the globe.
- **Usually** Dutch universities do not request a specific GPA; this is a consequence of the streaming that takes place in Dutch secondary schools.
- **Usually** there is no selection of students, and applying means an automatic admission. There are exceptions!
- Certain programs may require specific subjects (e.g. mathematics or physics).
- Sometimes there are additional requirements (e.g. a mathematics proficiency, letters of recommendation, standardized exams).
- Specific performance requirements often apply in the first year, and this is called Binding Study Advice.

**ADMISSIONS PROCEDURE**
- All students who want to study in the Netherlands must register in ‘Studielink’, which is the Dutch government student registration system.
- In addition, in many cases, students must apply directly to the university and programme of their choice. The specific guidelines for application are always explained on the university website.
- Application deadlines fall between January and June.
- Some universities have rolling admissions.
- All universities have a September intake, and some universities have a February intake.

**FINANCES**
In the Netherlands, tuition fees are set by the state and are thus the same for all universities. For the Academic Year 2019-2020 the fees are as follows:
- EU/EEA Students: € 2.083 per year
- Non-EU/EEA* Students: from € 6.000 to € 15.000 per year

Some institutions (such as the University Colleges) are allowed to request a higher tuition fee. These additional fees differ per institution.

A quick calculation shows that, on average, living as a student in the Netherlands costs around 900-1000 euros a month. Of course, this may vary per location.

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There are several ways for students to get help in financing their studies in the Netherlands.
- For Dutch passport holders, there is a loan provided by the government.
- For Dutch passport holders, a free student travel card is available.
- The Dutch government provides tuition fee loans for EU/EEA, Swiss and Surinamese students.
- In addition to government funding, some universities offer scholarships for both EU/EEA and non-EU/EEA students.
- Students can work part-time alongside their studies. Most universities have a career service office which aids students in finding a job. There are no restrictions for EU/EEA students in obtaining a job; for non-EU/EEA students there are some restrictions related to permits and working hours (a max of 16 hours per week). More information can be found on the NUFFIC website (see important websites).
IMPORTANT WEBSITES

Nuffic
As an independent, non-profit organization based in The Hague, Nuffic supports internationalization in higher education, research and professional education in the Netherlands and abroad, and helps improve access to higher education worldwide. On their website you can find an overview of all study programs in the Netherlands that are taught in English.
www.studyinholland.nl

Studielink
All students have to register with the Dutch Ministry of Education. The place to do so is ‘Studielink’.
www.studielink.nl

Duo
Information about tuition fees, student grants and diploma assessment.
www.duo.nl

Grantfinder
An overview of scholarships available for different students and studies.
www.grantfinder.nl

Public transportation in the Netherlands
The Netherlands has an extensive train network as well as elaborate bus networks throughout the country. Recently, a digital ticket system in the form of a chip-card has been introduced.

Non-Dutch students can purchase a discount card which will allow 40% off their travel tickets.
For more information about trains and train times: www.ns.nl
For more information about public transport and door-to-door advice: www.9292ov.nl
Transport cards: www.ov-chipkaart.nl

*EEA: European Economic Area

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UNIVERSITY COLLEGE?

University Colleges were introduced to the Netherlands in 1997. They took their inspiration from both the Liberal Arts and Sciences programs in the United States, with their strong emphasis on student community, as well as from the college structure found at for instance Oxford University in the United Kingdom. The idea was to create a small-scale learning environment, where both faculty and students would feel part of and contribute to the community.

Dutch research universities established their University Colleges in response to a growing demand for a more holistic type of education. Students at University Colleges would not only study Liberal Arts and Sciences, they would live it. They would study, live and work together with students from different cultural backgrounds and different disciplinary interests.

The University Colleges, as honors programs, offer a small-scale education with a wide variety of courses in the Arts, Humanities, Science and Social Sciences. With support of their personal academic advisor, students choose or compose a multi- and interdisciplinary curriculum. Classes are small and interactive and all courses are English-taught. Additionally, there is a strong emphasis on international community, often in the form of a residential campus, with many on and off-campus options for extracurricular activities.

THE PERFECT STUDENT FOR UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

University Colleges are intended for highly motivated students who have a diverse interest, know what they want, and do not want to limit themselves to the perspective of one academic discipline. Such students are academically strong, intellectually curious, and passionate to acquire new knowledge in various fields of study. Our students have a desire for both intellectual challenge and personal growth, and are interested in getting socially involved and contributing to the student community. Students are open-minded and excited to live amongst international peers and learn from exchanges with various cultures.

APPLYING TO UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

As University Colleges are looking for students who would thrive in such a specific environment, they are allowed to be selective in their admissions processes as opposed to most other Dutch Bachelor’s programs. While the general admission requirements and procedures outlined in the section on page 4 apply to University College applications, there are some further details to keep in mind.

• University Colleges are selective programs, meaning that they may require a minimum GPA and often require the submission of further documents (such as motivation letters and/or recommendation letters and interviews). What is needed and how to go about applying still differs per University College. Please refer to the individual college pages for specific criteria and procedures.

• University Colleges in the Netherlands tend to have a holistic approach towards the application procedure. While grades are an important part of the application package, attention is also given to personal interests, general motivation and extracurricular activities.
Amsterdam University College (AUC) is a joint initiative of the University of Amsterdam and Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, two major European research universities based in the Dutch capital. As the largest University College in the Netherlands, AUC is home to 900 students who live and study together on campus at Amsterdam Science Park: a juncture of education, research institutes and knowledge-driven businesses.

AUC offers an engaging academic and social environment, small class sizes, a residential college setting and state-of-the-art facilities. With almost half of the students coming from abroad, AUC aims for a strong and varied community to support its values of excellence and diversity. What makes AUC unique is an emphasis on the Sciences (enrolling up to 50% Science majors), while maintaining an interdisciplinary approach and offering rigorous programmes in the Social Sciences and Humanities.

At AUC, students live on campus for all three years (including summers) in single studio apartments or in shared apartments. At the end of their first year, students have the option to move to a different room of their preference.

CURRICULUM INFORMATION
Before starting at AUC, students choose one of the three majors: Sciences, Social Sciences or Humanities. Within their major, students then choose from a variety of concentrations to further specialise in during their studies:

**Sciences:**
- Biology
- Biomedical
- Chemistry
- Earth & Environment
- Health
- Information
- Mathematics
- Physics

**Humanities:**
- Art
- Culture
- Film
- History
- Literature
- Media
- Philosophy

**Social Sciences:**
- Anthropology
- Cognition
- Economics
- Environmental Economics & Policy
- Health
- International Relations

ADMISSIONS
If you are a typical AUC student, then you are intellectually curious and have a thirst for knowledge, a strong motivation and commitment to study liberal arts and sciences. You like to work hard, enjoy a challenge and care about your environment and society. Your interests go beyond the boundaries of subjects, cultures and languages. You are someone who wants to contribute to debates on important scientific and social questions, and feel at home in an international community. In short, you are someone who wants to make a difference!

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
In order to be eligible for admission, you will need to meet the following minimum requirements:
- a secondary school diploma equivalent to the Dutch VWO (e.g. IB; GCSE plus 3 GCE A-levels)
- very good written and spoken English
- good mathematics skills

In addition, the AUC Admissions Committee looks for students with the following characteristics:
- excellence: you must demonstrate your ability to meet the academic demands of the AUC programme
- motivation and ambition to study an intensive and broad programme
- commitment to contribute to AUC’s international student community and diverse campus life
- Exact admissions requirements can be found on the AUC website.

TUITION FEES AND SCHOLARSHIPS
- EU/EEA: € 4,387 per year
- Non EU-EEA: € 11,978 per year
- Accommodation is estimated at € 250 - 400 per month
- Around 10% of students receive a scholarship through the AUC Scholarship Fund (www.auc.nl/scholarships)

APPLICATION DEADLINES
- 1 December 2019, ‘early bird’ deadline for entry in September 2020
- 1 February 2020, regular deadline for entry in September 2020

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Erasmus University College

Erasmus University College (EUC) is the international honours college of Erasmus University Rotterdam (EUR). EUR is consistently ranked in the top 100 of major global university rankings (#70 Times Higher Education Ranking 2018), and is known as a centre of excellence for health, wealth, governance, business and economics.

Students at EUC compose a unique curriculum from a wide offering of courses spanning four departments: Economics & Business, Humanities, Life Sciences and Social & Behavioural Sciences. EUC is small-scale, with average class sizes of 10-12 students. Active participation in class is commonplace and students take the lead in problem-based learning.

EUC is situated in the city centre of metropolitan Rotterdam, Holland’s second largest city. Only a 7 minute walk from the college is its residential campus, LUCIA, opposite the city hall, located near the central station amongst numerous amenities.

Humanities
- Political Philosophy & Critical Theory
- Visual Cultures & Media Literacy
- Arts, Culture & Society
- Cultural Analysis

Social & Behavioural Sciences
- International Law
- International Relations & Politics
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Social & Behavioural Sciences - General
- Public & Global Health

Life Sciences
- Life Sciences - General
- Pre-Med
- Neuroscience
- Molecular & Cellular Biology
- Sustainability
- Biological Aspects of Public Health

Double Degree with Arts
Students can combine EUC with a full degree in either music or arts (from fine arts to graphic design). This double degree is offered in combination with Codarts and Willem de Kooning Academy both located in Rotterdam.

ADMISSIONS
Applicants to EUC must pass through a selection process. Each year EUC selects 218 students from a larger pool of applicants. Students need to submit a motivation and a grade transcript. Common application requirements are as follows:

- British System: GCSE plus at least three GCE A-Levels with minimum grades of A B B (including Mathematics).
- International Baccalaureate (IB): Minimum of 30 points (excluding TOK, EE, CAS); AND minimum of 5 for Math Studies or 4 for Math SL/HL; AND minimum of 5 for English A SL or 4 for English A HL
- American High School: Minimum GPA of 3.0 AND at least 4 AP exams with minimum scores of 3 (including AP Calculus AB or BC).
- SAT test (total score ≥ 1170, math score ≥ 570) can substitute AP Calculus.
- You can take EUC’s own mathematics test if you do not meet the mathematics requirement.

FINANCE
Tuition fees (2019-2020)
- EU/EEA Students: € 4,200
- Non EU/EEA Students: € 12,000
EUC has a few scholarships ranging from € 1,000- € 6,000 per year.

APPLICATION DEADLINES
Autumn Semester (September 2019 intake)
- 1 December, 2018 (early bird)
- 15 April, 2019 (regular)
Leiden University College is the honours college of Leiden University, the oldest university in The Netherlands (1575), and in the top 100 universities in the world (Times Higher Education Ranking). LUC is located in the vibrant and international city of The Hague, home to many international organizations, 10 minutes from Leiden, and 45 minutes away from Amsterdam.

LUC offers a 3-year Liberal Arts and Sciences bachelor programme, focusing on today’s Global Challenges: Diversity, Prosperity, Sustainability and Peace and Justice. Six Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science majors are offered centered around the Global Challenges. LUC is home to 600 students coming from over 45 different nationalities, offering an opportunity for talented and ambitious students from all over the world. Students are required to live and study together for the first two years at LUC. Individual studio apartments are available for all 1st and 2nd year students in our modern, and central 21-story-high building in the middle of The Hague. This residential concept ensures for a close-knit community, and a very active student body, offering many activities, clubs and committees for students to participate in.

If students meet the criteria, they will be invited to an interview with a faculty member as part of the selection process.

**Accepted diplomas**
- VWO diploma, with at least a 6.5 average
- IB International Baccalaureate: Minimum a 30 without bonus points
- At least 3 academic A-levels with a C or higher (minimum requirement)
- US High school diploma with a 3.5 GPA, and at least 4 AP’s with a 4 or higher
- For other diplomas, please go to www.lucthehague.nl

**Tuition Fees & Financial Aid**
EU/EEA students: € 4,418 (2019/2020)
Non-EU students: € 13,135 (2019/2020)

* There is limited financial aid available students can apply for. If interested, it is recommended to apply by the Early Bird deadline.

**Admissions & Finances**
LUC has a selective admissions process. Once students have registered in Studielink for our programme, they will need to complete their application on the Leiden University application portal. Students must upload the following documents:
- Transcripts from the last 2 years
- Recommendation letter (sent directly to the admissions office)
- Motivation Letter
- LUC Admissions requirement form (on website) indicating English and Math qualifications
- € 50 application fee, check online if applicable to you
- CV or resume

**Curriculum Information**
Students follow an introductory programme in their first year, where they get to sample the different Global Challenges, the themes of the different majors: Diversity, Prosperity, Sustainability and Peace and Justice.

At the end of their first year, students can select a major to pursue for the following two years.

**Bachelor of Arts:**
- Human Diversity
- World Politics
- International Justice

**Bachelor of Science:**
- Global Public Health
- Earth, Energy and Sustainability
- Governance, Economics and Development

**Students can additionally follow a minor at LUC or at Leiden University. Additionally, there is the opportunity to go abroad for one semester in the last year. All students culminate their studies writing an independent research project within their major on a thesis topic of their choice.**

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**Deadlines**
Applicants wishing to start in the Fall semester (September intake) can apply by:
- January 1, 2019 (Early-Bird)*
- April 1, 2019 (Regular)

* Recommended for students who will require a residence permit (Non-EU/EEA) and also for students wishing to apply for financial support.
University College Groningen is a faculty of the University of Groningen, one of the world’s top 100 universities. At University College Groningen we offer a Bachelor in Liberal Arts and Sciences, which will provide students with an education with a genuinely interdisciplinary outlook, freedom of choice and a collaborative and guided approach to learning in a stimulating and challenging environment. Our Liberal Arts and Sciences programme offers students the opportunity to study a broad range of subjects whilst developing specialist knowledge in their major discipline. Our program is attracting curious, ambitious students from around the globe. We offer an international educational environment in one of Europe’s most dynamic student cities. The combination of an open, coherent curriculum, innovative teaching methods, and vibrant community life, allows our students to develop their potential in all directions, while making a meaningful contribution to addressing the grand challenges we face today. University College Groningen provides a wonderful environment for today’s broadly engaged and motivated students to learn, live and - more than that - thrive. We look forward to welcoming you to Groningen!

**CURRICULUM INFORMATION**

In the first year at UCG students follow a core programme of 30 credits as well as their pick out of a range of elective courses in three major disciplines (Sciences, Social Sciences, Humanities). Students will also study research methods, logic, statistics and academic writing whilst developing their academic and interpersonal skills. In the second year students choose a major in Sciences, Social Sciences or Humanities. In the third year students have the opportunity to go abroad for a semester, they will continue with their major courses and students have to write their capstone project/thesis.

**Sciences**
- Life Sciences
- Astronomy
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Philosophy of Science

**Social Sciences**
- Culture Economics
- International Relations
- Political Sciences
- International Business
- International Law
- Philosophy
- Brain and Behaviour

**Humanities**
- History
- Journalism
- Media Studies
- Cultural Criticism
- Arts and Culture
- International Relations & Organizations
- Arts History
- Religious Studies
- Political Philosophy
- Culture and Cognition
- Semiotics
- Linguistics
- Philosophy

**WHAT MAKES UCG SPECIAL**
- Learn practical skills in interdisciplinary projects that take you outside of the classroom
- Small-scale education, interactive and intensive learning
- No make-or-break assessments
- Learn Dutch, Spanish, Chinese or Arabic in our World Language Programme
- Create your own curriculum, possibility of doing a free major
- International environment (60% plus internationals)

**ACCEPTED DIPLOMAS**
- IB diploma (minimum of 32 points)
- 3 A-levels (average grade B)
- American High School diploma (GPA 3.4) + 4 AP’s (grades 3-5)
- Additionally, mathematics and English language proficiency will be taken into account
- Students will be required to write a personal statement

**APPLICATION DEADLINES**
- Early bird: January 15th*
- Final deadline: May 1st

*Recommended for students that need a Visa and/or residency permit

**TUITION FEES:**
- Non-EU students: € 12,100 (2018/2019)
University College Maastricht (UCM) is a Liberal Arts and Sciences honours college of Maastricht University that combines extensive academic choice with personal guidance. UCM students are part of a truly international community, working and socialising with students from more than 50 countries. They are supported by dedicated staff members who encourage learning beyond the classroom. Our dedication to academic standards as well as our strong sense of belonging to a community makes UCM a unique place where academic passion is encouraged and individual talents are nurtured.

Courses at UCM are taught using Problem-Based Learning (PBL). By using a combination of small-group work and individual research, students are in control of their own education. PBL education helps students retain information better, think about problems independently and allows them to develop their interpersonal skills. All teaching at UCM happens in small groups of no more than 12 students.

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Students at UCM construct their own personalised programme with the support of their academic advisor, focusing on the subjects they are passionate about. UCM offers more than 150 courses in a wide range of academic disciplines within three concentrations:

- **Humanities**
  - History
  - Cultural Studies
  - Arts and Literature
  - Philosophy

- **Social Sciences**
  - Economics and Business Administration
  - Sociology
  - Political Science
  - International Relations
  - Public Policy
  - International Law
  - Psychology
  - Statistics

- **Sciences**
  - Applied Mathematics
  - Information and Computer Sciences
  - Biomedical Sciences
  - Biology
  - Biochemistry
  - Cognitive Sciences and Neurosciences

ADMISSIONS & FINANCES

UCM has a selective admissions process. There are 225 spots available for incoming students each year. UCM strives to attract highly motivated students with genuine academic ambitions who love debates and are interested in interdisciplinary education. The Board of Admissions assesses whether there is a match between the students’ academic interests and what UCM has to offer. Students apply online with their latest transcript, a letter of motivation and a proof of English proficiency. Potentially suitable candidates are invited for an interview in person or online.

ACCEPTED DIPLOMAS

- British system: 3 GCE A-levels with grades A, B or C + 3 GCSE’s in 6 different subjects
- International/European Baccalaureate Diploma
- For other diplomas, please visit www.ucm.nl

OTHER LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES PROGRAMMES AT MAASTRICHT UNIVERSITY:

University College Venlo with a focus on nutrition, food and health; and Maastricht Science Programme with a focus on natural sciences. For more information, please check www.maastrichtuniversity.nl.

DEADLINES

- September enrolment:
  - January 5th, 2019 (Non-EU/EEA nationals)
  - March 1st, 2019 (EU/EEA nationals)

TUITION FEES & FINANCIAL AID

- EU/EEA students: € 3.445 (2019/2020)
- Non-EU students: € 10.900 (2019/2020)

UCM offers five full scholarships for non-EU/EEA nationals as well as partial tuition fee waivers for EU/EEA nationals.
At University College Roosevelt students design their own program by choosing from more than 200 subjects in three departments: Arts and Humanities, Social Science and Science. A fourth department, Engineering and Innovation Studies, is to be added in 2020. The ideal UCR student is eager to learn, social, curious and broadly interested. In the best tradition of a liberal arts and sciences education, students at UCR do not only grow academically, they also find the opportunity to develop as individuals who take responsibility for their own social and learning environment, as well as for civic and political challenges within the wider world.

Located in the south-west of The Netherlands, UCR boasts a unique historic inner-city campus by the sea with guaranteed housing for the full duration of the program. The close-knit academic community of no more than 600 students and 70 dedicated faculty members (50% of whom are non-Dutch, with over 60 nationalities represented) is an important aspect of life at UCR. A choice for UCR is an out of the box choice for a small town university where opportunities to make it your own are abundant!

**CURRICULUM INFORMATION**

**English language program**

Liberal Arts and Sciences: BA or BSc (3 years, 180 ECTS)

Students design their own program by combining two or more of the following subjects:

**Academic Core**
- Methods and Statistics
- Rhetoric and Argumentation
- Languages (French, German, Spanish and Dutch)

**Arts and Humanities**
- Antiquity
- Art History
- History
- Linguistics
- Literature
- Music Theory
- Philosophy
- Religious Studies
- Music Performing

**Science**
- Biology
- Biomedical Science
- Cognitive Science
- Computer Science
- Earth and Environmental Science
- Life Science
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Pre-medical program

**Social Science**
- Anthropology
- Economics
- Human Geography
- Law
- Political Science and International Relations
- Psychology
- Sociology

As of 2020 UCR will introduce an Engineering and Innovation Studies Department to embed the study of technology in an LAS curriculum. Disciplines in the department will include, amongst others, data science, mechatronics and sustainability to cover topics such as the sustainable delta, the bio-based economy and water management.

**ADMISSIONS**

UCR has a selective admissions process. Students need to send in a personal statement, grades lists and letters of recommendation. After an interview (in person or through Skype), 200 students are selected each year based on their motivation, curiosity and broad interests.

Admissions requirements are as follows:
- Dutch VWO Diploma
- IB Diploma (minimum 30 points)
- British System: 3 A-levels (minimum BBB)
- American System: High School Diploma + 4 APS (minimum 3 or higher)
- For other diplomas please go to www.ucr.nl or contact us via info@ucr.nl

**TUITION FEES AND FINANCIAL AID**

EU/EEA Students: € 3.235
Non-EU/EEA Students: € 8.843

University College Roosevelt offers partial scholarships for non EU/EEA Students.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**

Applicants who wish to begin in the Fall semester: April 1st* / May 1st.
Applicants who wish to begin in the Spring semester: October 1st* / November 15th

* The first deadline is for students who require a residence permit to study in the Netherlands, as this application process takes a little more time.

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University College Tilburg is located at the heart of the green campus of Tilburg University, and offers a Liberal Arts and Sciences program that allows students to develop into critical thinkers, concerned citizens and academically educated professionals. UCTilburg students are part of a warm and caring community that remains open to the wider community of Tilburg University, as well as to the thriving cultural life of the city. UCTilburg aims at ‘output excellence’ rather than ‘input excellence’. Our selection procedure invites, encourages and fosters diversity and inclusiveness, and seeks to bring out the potential of all students, regardless of their background. Based on student satisfaction, the program obtained the ‘Top Program’ quality label in the national Keuzegids ranking for four years in a row (2015–2018).

In the first year, students explore a variety of subjects within different scientific disciplines. In the second year, they choose a major and specialize in one of five disciplines. This provides a stable foundation for the third year, in which they are free to explore their interests in a minor program, giving each student a unique profile.

WHAT MAKES UCT UNIQUE
• You become part of an international environment (30% international students).
• There are two sides to every story: In our Team Teaching Lectures, two academics with different backgrounds jointly teach the same course and subject.
• We teach you the skills needed to make your ideas happen! Launch and develop your own project or business idea and put it into practice in our Social Innovation Project.
• Our University College is located on the campus of Tilburg University, which offers you the opportunity to profit from all the facilities of a research university.
• Students have the choice to make use of our arranged housing facilities or to arrange housing independently.

ADMISSIONS & SELECTION
Prospective students are requested to upload the following through our online application system MySAS:

a) One of the following diploma’s + grade lists:
• Dutch VWO, all profiles
• International Baccalaureate (with a minimum of 24 points)
• European Baccalaureate diploma
• British - Three A-levels (grade C or higher)
• American High School Diploma + 4 Advanced Placement Courses (grade 4 or higher)
• For other diplomas please go to www.tilburguniversity.edu/uctilburg

b) A motivation letter
c) An essay that addresses a societal problem or issue (social, political, moral, or artistic).
d) Proof of English proficiency (IELTS, TOEFL or Cambridge Certificate).
e) An interview (in person or through Skype) with the Admissions Committee is also part of the selection process.

TUITION 2019/2020
EU/EEA students: € 2.083
Non-EU students: € 8.700

APPLICATION DEADLINES
May 1st, 2019 for non-EU students
July 1st, 2019 for EU/EEA students
We offer a yearly intake in September.
University College Twente is the international honours college of the University of Twente, founded in 2012. Our Technology and Liberal Arts & Sciences programme, ATLAS for short, is aimed at students who want to make a difference through science and technology.

The programme is built around the challenges of modern society; challenges that cannot be solved by either technology or social interventions but require both social and technical perspectives. Our students learn to combine these perspectives and come up with radical new solutions.

The ATLAS curriculum is a framework that invites you to choose your own path with a firm basis in engineering, physics, mathematics and social sciences. The programme is organized in six semesters, two per academic year. Projects are the basis for your learning. Each semester has a theme that is central in the project and courses. Besides projects and courses, you will get to work on your Personal Pursuit; which is your own passion made academic.

According to the “Keuzegids” results, ATLAS is one of the top rated programmes of the University of Twente.

Located in the heart of a research campus, University College Twente is a residential college just outside the city of Enschede. All students live and work together. Learning is not confined to the classroom. Working, sports, eating and relaxing together with other students alternate with your interaction with lecturers. This makes University College Twente an engaging and motivating learning environment. A true learning community.

**CURRICULUM INFORMATION**
- Technology and Liberal Arts & Sciences
- Main disciplines: Engineering, physics, mathematics and social sciences
- Bachelor of Science (BSc)
- 3 years (180 ECTS)
- Project lead and student driven learning
- Assessment without grades
- Personal pursuit is part of the curriculum
- Residential College on the campus of a research university

At University College Twente learning not only starts, but also ‘ends’ with you. Choosing your own path within courses can only work if the assessment evaluates the goals you have set out for yourself. We don’t believe that standardized tests and grades help you in your learning or stimulate you in developing your talents. Instead - you are in the lead when it comes to evaluating your development. Show us the evidence that proves you have met your learning goals.

**ADMISSIONS PROCESS AND REQUIREMENTS**

Admission to the programme is selective. To be eligible for admission you need to meet the following requirements:
- A high school diploma equivalent to the Dutch WWO (such as British A-levels or the International Baccalaureate)
- High final marks in English, Mathematics and at least one other Science subject, preferably physics
- For non-native English speakers: proof of proficiency in English (IELTS 7.0, TOEFL 100 iBT, Cambridge CPE or Cambridge CAE)

**SELECTION PROCEDURE**

1. First, we will assess your overall academic background, foundation in math and science, your English language proficiency, your personal interests and your motivation for choosing UCT.
2. Next, we will invite you to take part in In_Sight Day at UCT. This involves team assignments with other applicants and interviews with staff and students. If you can’t make it to In_Sight Day, we may invite you to engage with some of our staff and students in a Skype interview.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**

Our academic year starts in September. We accept applications all year round. Selection Days are scheduled monthly. Details can be found on our website.

**TUITION FEES & SCHOLARSHIPS**

The UCT tuition fees for students starting in September 2019 are as follows:
- EU/EEA nationals: € 4.166
- non-EU/EEA nationals: € 12.583

UCT has limited options for scholarships please refer to our website.
University College Utrecht (UCU) is one of the international honours colleges of Utrecht University (Times Higher Education Ranking 2019 #74). UCU offers an honours level undergraduate education in Liberal Arts and Sciences. Together with their academic tutor, students compose their own curriculum. They choose from over 200 different courses across Humanities, Science and Social Sciences, related methodology and research skills courses and a foreign language.

The UCU approach is personal: Classes are small with on average 20 students, and participation is actively encouraged. The 760 students, 50% of them international, live and study at a residential campus. The campus is located in Utrecht, a historic and medieval city in the heart of The Netherlands. All classes taught at UCU and all social activities on campus are in English. We look for students that would thrive studying Liberal Arts and Sciences in such a tight knit academic and social community. Admission is competitive, and students are selected for academic potential and curiosity, international focus, social engagement and extracurricular pursuits.

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:
To be accepted at UCU applicants must undergo a selection procedure. Each year UCU selects about 250 students from a considerably larger pool of applicants. To be admissible candidates must fit a general profile and meet the following minimum requirements:

- a Dutch VWO diploma or an international equivalent such as:
  - GCSE plus 3 GCE A-levels. Scores A-A-B or Higher are admissible.
  - International Baccalaureate, a minimum of 32 points not including Theory of Knowledge and the Extended Essay.
  - High school degree with 4 Advanced Placement Certificates, in one of two combinations:
    - 2 AP language, of which one foreign language, 2 APs Math / science and 1 AP elective
    - 1 AP foreign language, 2 APs Math / science and 1 AP elective. The AP exams are required, minimum score 3.

- Proof of English proficiency
- Motivation letter
- Recommendation letter

TUITION FEES 2019 - 2020
€ 4,250 (students with a passport from the European Economic Area, Switzerland or Suriname). The tuition fee for the first year will be lower for EU/EEA students who are entering Dutch higher education for the first time. Exact discount to be announced in spring 2019.
€ 11,500 (non-EEA)

There is limited financial aid available which Dutch and international students can apply for. For more information about admission and finances please visit our website www.uu.nl/ucu

APPLICATION DEADLINES
September 15, 2019 for entry in spring 2020
February 1, 2020 for entry in fall 2020
January 1, 2020 (early action) for entry in fall 2020

CURRICULUM INFORMATION
Bachelor programme taught in English.

Liberal Arts and Sciences, BA, BSc
Students compose their own curriculum focusing on at least two disciplines. They can choose from:

Humanities:
- Art History and Museum Studies
- Chinese Language and Culture
- History
- Linguistics
- Literature and Classics
- Performing Arts
- Media Studies
- Philosophy
- Religious Studies

Social Sciences:
- Anthropology
- Economics
- Human Geography
- Law
- Political Science and International Relations

Science:
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Earth and Environment
- Mathematics
- Medical Science
- Cognitive Neuroscience
- Physics

Special Programmes
- Double degree LAS and Dutch law (4 years)
- Double degree LAS and Physics (4 years)
- Pre-medical programme
- Cultural Heritage Internship Programme
- UCU in East Africa
- Field research Aruba
- China Studies
- Transnational Law Programme (with Washington University, St Louis, USA)
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<td>Amsterdam University College</td>
<td>Amsterdam</td>
<td>Sciences&lt;br&gt;Social Sciences&lt;br&gt;Humanities&lt;br&gt;Particular emphasis is placed on the sciences, AUC enrolls up to 50% Science majors. Special tracks for Pre-Med and Pre-Law.</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>Yes, all three years</td>
<td>€ 4.387/ € 11.978</td>
<td>September (Fall)</td>
<td>1 December (Early-bird September intake)1 February (Regular deadline September intake)</td>
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<td>Erasmus University College</td>
<td>Rotterdam</td>
<td>4 Departments: Humanities, Economics &amp; Business, Life Sciences, Social &amp; Behavioural Sciences. Multiple Majors in each department. Pre-Medicine program. Double degree in Performing Arts and Liberal Arts &amp; Sciences</td>
<td>218</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>Yes, during the first year</td>
<td>€ 4.200 / € 12.000</td>
<td>September (Fall)</td>
<td>For EU/EEA and Non-EU/EEA 1 December (early bird) 15 April (regular)</td>
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<td>The Hague</td>
<td>World Politics; Human Diversity; International Justice; Global Public Health, Earth, Energy and Sustainability; Governance, Economics and Development</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>Yes, the first 2 years</td>
<td>€ 4.418 / € 13.135</td>
<td>September (Fall)</td>
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<td>Groningen</td>
<td>Sciences, Social Sciences, Humanities</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>Yes, the first year</td>
<td>€ 4.085 / € 12.100</td>
<td>September (Fall)</td>
<td>Early bird: January 15th* Final deadline: May 1st *Recommended for students that need a Visa and/or residency permit</td>
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<td>Maastricht</td>
<td>Sciences, Social Sciences, Humanities</td>
<td>225</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>Non-residential</td>
<td>€ 3.445/ € 10.900</td>
<td>September (Fall)</td>
<td>Non-EU: 5 January EU: 1 March</td>
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<td>Sciences, Social Sciences and Humanities. As of 2020: Engineering and Innovation Studies. Special Programs: Art &amp; Design Practice, Pre-Medical Program Double Degree Options: Music Performing, Dutch Law</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>Yes, all three years</td>
<td>€ 3.235 / € 8.843</td>
<td>September (Fall)</td>
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<td>University College Twente</td>
<td>Enschede</td>
<td>Engineering, Physics, Math and Social Sciences</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>Yes, the first two years</td>
<td>€ 4.166 / € 12.583</td>
<td>September (Fall)</td>
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<td>University College Utrecht</td>
<td>Utrecht</td>
<td>Science, Social Sciences, Humanities Special programs: Pre-med Program, Double Degree Dutch Law &amp; LAS Program, Double Degree Physics &amp; LAS Program, China Program, Cultural Heritage Internship Program (Museum Studies), UCU in Africa, field research Aruba, Transnational Law Programme</td>
<td>250</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>Yes, the first two obligatory, the last year optional</td>
<td>€ 4,250/ € 11.500</td>
<td>September (Fall)</td>
<td>September intake: 1 January (early action) 1 February February intake: 15 September</td>
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UNIVERSITY COLLEGES IN THE NETHERLANDS

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