Welcome to STUDENT WELLBEING:

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A shift from study success to student success

Goal of this session

- Expertise exchange
- Sharing lessons learned and best practices
- Inspire each other
- Community building

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How do we valorize student wellbeing in a multidiverse community?



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What is wellbeing?

"...a state in which the individual realizes their own abilities, can cope with normal stresses of life, can work productively and fruitfully and is able to make a contribution to their community." (WHO)

Why wellbeing?

What is the mission of a higher education institution?

- Education
- Knowledge
- Contribute to society

Human aspect:

- Wellbeing is a prerequisite for being agents of change
- Focus only on academic achievement is not sufficient!

Our mission



From study success to student success

Student success includes academic achievement AND the wellbeing and personal skills that enable students to develop their talents and create impact in a complex society

The context: The city of Rotterdam

• 2nd largest city in NL

• > 170 nationalities

• Largest seaport in EU

- Urban city of Rotterdam > 1,160,000 inhabitants
- > 50% population with a migration background
- Open and modern city => nearly fully rebuilt after WW2

The context: **Diversity** @EUR



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⁸ ^a CBS, Baromoter Cultural Diversity, 2023; ^b EUR Student Wellbeing Monitor, 2020, 2021, 2022

Diversity @EUR



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Our strategy Values

- Person-centeredness
- Inclusivity
- Accessibility
- Rooted in scientific evidence
- Innovation
- Transparency in goals and outcomes
- Free of charge

Goals

- Promote focus on student success
- Normalize wellbeing and self-care
- From and for all students
- University-wide system approach
- Variety of services
- Timely support
- Evidence-based innovation

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student wellbeing

Our strategy

- System approach across education and research:
 - Policies
 - Services
 - Campaigns / interventions
- Targets: Students, employees, environment
- Model of change: what are the determinants of wellbeing?
- Agents of change: Interrelated professional and academic roles within and across domains
- Evidence-based foundation



Our strategy: a comprehensive programme



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Student Wellbeing

Wide range of services to support you

Student support

Version: July 2023



Living Room & Personal Support Hub



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Wellbeing Weeks

Monday 10/6	Tuesday 11/6	Wednesday 12/6	Thursday 13/6	Friday 14/6
CANCELLED: Talking Taboo: Student Dialogue with VOAW Living Room 09:00-12:00	Circle of Wellness: Mentor-led Support for You Personal Support Hub 10:00-12:00	Breaking Barriers: Peer-to-Peer Suicide Prevention Living Room 11:00-12:30	Reality Check: How to deal with expectations vs. reality Langeveld 1.16 11:00-12:15	Music's Mental Toolbox: Use your favorite music for your well-being Langeveid 3.19 11:00-12:30
Dopamine Detox - Regain True Happiness Theil C1-1 13:00-14:45	Exploring Personality and Potential careers with AI Living Room 11:00-12:30	Workshop perfectionism: break the cycle of never good enough Langeveld 2.14 11:30-13:00	CANCELLED: Exp. Robinson & Personal Leadership by Jan van Halst, Director AFC Ajax Erasmus Sport Hall 4 11:00-14:30	Healthy habits: how to change your behaviour and create habits Langeveld 0.08 13:00-15:00
Tote bag painting with Uni-Life! Langeveld 3.12 14:00-15:30	Chill down: Ice Bath Erasmus Plaza 11:00 - 13:00	Walk-in hour: let's talk about drugs Personal Support Hub 13:00-14:00	How to pitch yourself Polak 3.08 13:00-14:45	EFR Bubble Ball Erasmus Sport Beachvolleyball fields 13:00-16:00
Ecstatic Dance - dance freely, experience everything! Erasmus Sport Hatta Upstairs (Right) 14:00-16:00	Paws & Punches: Building Resilience and Social Skills with Human-Canin Sports Erasmus Sports Hatta Upstairs 14:00-16:00	Awakening Awareness: Exploring Mindfulness Through the Senses Living Room 14:00 - 16:00	Empowerment through Krav Maga: Self-Defense Workshop Erasmus Sport Hatta Downstairs 13:30-16:00	The art and skill of negotiation Langeveld 3.19 15:00-17:00
Time and stressmanagement: how to keep enjoying your busy life Langeveld 3.14 15:00-16:30	Outside day: FREE snacks, lounge area and much more wellbeing activities! @ Erasmus Plaza 14:00 - 17:00	Authentic Leadership towards Peak Performance Langeveld 2.14 15:00-17:00	CANCELLED: 3x3 Unites Basketball Leadership Erasmus Sport Hall 3 13:30-15:30	Boxing Bag Class Erasmus Sport Hall 4 18:00-18:50
Let's talk about sex — The perception of contraception Living Room 15:30-17:30	Mocktail Workshop Living Room 15:00-16:30	Keeping your Head above Water: a Cash Course Langeveld 4.18 15:30-17:00	Food with(out) your senses: communication workshop Living Room 14:00-15:30	Take a study break and join one of the activities in the Library! @ University Library All week
Break free from worrying! Langeveid 1.14 16:00-17:30	Sip and Paint Workshop: safer spaces! Erasmus Pavilion 15:30-17:00	HIT Workout Erasmus Sport Hall 5 19:00-19:50	Heartbeat festival Color Dance Erasmus Plaza, 15:00-17:00 Wellbeing Street Next to Polak, 16:00-22:00	Sign up nowl
Strength and Conditioning <i>Erasmus Sport Hall 5</i> 17:00-17:50	Strong Nation Workout Erasmus Sport Hall 5 19:00-19:50	MOVE Y	OUR MIND POTENTIAL	in the the

Wellbeing Weeks



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Student Wellbeing policy



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Our team

Academic leads: strategic vision and goal setting, scientific foundation, representation within academic community





Programme Manager: our 'chief of staff', connection with central EUR governance, translate vision into concrete implementation, bird's eye view of work team







Project leads: coordinate implementation of programme packages, combining research, policy, communication, project management. Highly interdisciplinary backgrounds and expertise.



PhDs and Postdocs: research and evaluation

... and many other associate members and student assistants

Our student hosts / volunteers



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Success factors and accelerators

Contextual factors

- COVID-19
- Scientific and societal focus on youth wellbeing
- Change in role of higher education

Organizational factors

- Position within institution
- Supportive Executive Board
- Alignment and cooperation with strategic programs, support services and faculties

Content factors

- Focus on students' perspective
- Systemic approach
- Working towards a Centre of Expertise
- Knowledge and data-driven policy

Human factors

- Having a diverse team 'satellite' employee
- External stakeholders



Thank you!

Questions ?

We will be back in





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What about your institution?

Think-share-pair in groups of 3-4 people:

- 1) What is your context? (eg, university organization, broader sociodemographical and geopolitical context)
- 2) Is student wellbeing a strategic priority for your institution?
 - If yes, are you satisfied with its implementation and the likelihood of success? Is anything missing?
 - If no, what is missing?

3) What are successes and failures in your organization when implementing student wellbeing?

Thank you!

Stay in touch!

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