WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT FROM AN EXCHANGE AT VRIJE UNIVERSITEIT AMSTERDAM?

Studying abroad is a personal and academic enrichment. It is a valuable addition to your studies and can give your career prospects a positive boost. You will study alongside students from different parts of the globe, with different views on life and fields of study. This will not only enrich your network, it will also broaden your horizon and give you an international perspective.

Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam can offer you an international classroom of small size, ensuring an interactive experience in a community of learners. You can select from over 300 English-taught undergraduate courses in a wide variety of fields, many of which have an interdisciplinary approach. These undergraduate courses are listed in this brochure.

In addition to courses, Vrije Universiteit also offers several English-taught minors (specialized tracks) in various disciplines. Our minors are cohesive packages of undergraduate courses that have a duration of one semester (30 ECTS credits). Most minors are open to students from other disciplines, and enable students to broaden the scope of their educational programme to fit with their interest and possibly prepare them for a Master’s degree programme. All minors are taught in the first (Fall) semester.

Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam has established partnerships with more than 250 universities all over the world. In Europe, we are part of the Erasmus+ programme. Every year we welcome around 600 exchange students to our Amsterdam campus, giving them the opportunity to study alongside Dutch peers and students from every continent.

As an exchange student, you will remain enrolled at your home university while studying with us in Amsterdam for one or two semesters. You will pay your regular tuition fees to your home university but are exempted from paying tuition fees to us.

If you wish to take part in our exchange programme, the first step is to visit the International Office of your home university as they will have to nominate you. Upon receiving your nomination, we will send you detailed information about our online registration system.

If you are accepted as an exchange student, we will assist in arranging housing and/or visa. Most international students live on the student residential campus Uilenstede; a mere five-minute bike ride from the university campus. Student accommodation features furnished single rooms with private or shared facilities. We also organize an orientation programme to help you get settled.

More information about our exchange programme can be found at www.vu.nl/exchange.

If your university is not an exchange partner of Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, you may still be able to study with us for a semester. Please consult www.studyabroadinamsterdam.nl.

Academic calendar

**FALL SEMESTER 2016-2017**

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A normal workload for one semester is 30 ECTS credits. Most courses are 6 ECTS credits. Exchange students are allowed to leave after period 2, completing a 24 to 30 ECTS course load before Christmas.

Application deadlines

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### FACULTY OF SCIENCES

#### FACULTY OF EARTH AND LIFE SCIENCES

**Semester 1 (Fall)**
- Adaptation to Human Environment
- Allergy and Autoimmunity
- Antimicrobials Compounds: From Clinical Use to Target Analysis and Drug Development
- Behavioural Biology
- Biochemistry in Health and Disease
- Brain in Trouble
- Climate Science
- Clinical Trials and Health Care
- Cognitive Neuroscience
- Community-based Health Interventions
- Double Burden of Disease
- Drivers of Change in Global Health
- Ecosystem Modelling
- Environmental Toxicology
- Evolutionary Genetics
- Experimental Cell Biology I and II
- Experimental Immunology
- Food for Thought
- From Protein to Cell
- Future Challenges in Global Health
- Genetics and Public Health
- Geographic Analysis and Visualisation
- Health @ Work
- Heart Failure and Therapy
- Historical Geology and Sedimentology
- Human Evolution
- Infectious Diseases and Vaccine Development
- Introduction to Biogeosciences
- Introduction to Environmental Sciences
- Isotope Geochemistry
- Key Strategies in Disability and Neuropathy
- Land Use Change
- Methodology and Biostatistics I and II
- Mind and Machine
- Molecular Cell Biology
- Molecular Microbiology
- Molecular Principles of Brain Disorders
- Moving Matters in Health
- Nature versus Nurture
- Neurological and Psychiatric Disorders
- Neuronal Networks and Behavior
- Oncology and Public Health
- Petrology of System Earth
- Policy and Organisation of Care
- Public Economics
- Qualitative Research
- Regional Structural Geology
- Research Seminar Spatial Economics
- Sexual Health: Threats and Opportunities
- Systems Ecology
- Tailoring Medicine and Telemedicine
- The Adaptive Brain
- The Developing Brain
- Toxicology and Neurodevelopment
- Transport and Environmental Economics
- Urban Economics

**Semester 2 (Spring)**
- Analysis of biological research
- Human Neurophysiology
- Policy and Organisation of Care
- Medical Genomics (BMW)
- Systems Biology and Medicine
- Decision making in PPA
- Methodology and Biostatistics III
- Dietetics and Research
- Prevention and Public Health
- Public Health in International Context
- Infection Diseases (Premaster)

#### Minors
- Earth Surface
- Solid Earth
- Biomedical and Health Interventions
- Biomedical Topics in Health Care
- Biomolecular and Neurosciences
- Brain and Mind
- Evolutionary Biology and Ecology
- Topics in Biomedical Sciences

### FACULTY OF SCIENCES

**Semester 1 (Fall)**
- Advanced Programming
- Algorithm Engineering
- Business Simulation
- Calculus 1 and 2
- Collective Intelligence
- Computational thinking
- Computer Networks
- Concurrency & Multithreading
- Data Structures and Algorithms
- Information Retrieval
- Introduction Computer Science
- Introduction to Business Analytics
- Introduction to Programming [Java]
- Measure Theory
- Mechanics and thermodynamics in the cell
- Molecular Biology Techniques
- Operating Systems
- Pervasive Computing
- Principles of Systems Biology
- Programming
- Project Business Analytics 1
- Secure programming
- Semantic Web
- Service Science
- Sets and Combinatorics
- Statistical Methods
- Statistics
- Stochastic Modeling
- Systems Programming
- Web Technology

**Semester 2 (Spring)**
- Automata and Complexity
- Bachelor Project Computer Science
- Computer Systems
- Databases
- Dynamics and Computation
- History of Science
- Human-Computer Interaction
- Linear Algebra
- Logic and modelling
- Logic and Sets
- Machine Learning
- Mathematic Methods
- Networks and Graphs
- Numerical Methods
- Operations Research
- Probability Theory
- Project Application Development
- Project Big Data
- Project Business Analytics 2
- Risk Management
- Software Modelling
- Software Project Management
- Statistical Data Analysis

#### Minor
- Deep programming
# ECONOMICS, BUSINESS, AND LAW

## FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
### Semester 1 (Fall)
- Designing Interventions in Business and Society
- Enterprising Behavior
- Filming Entrepreneurship
- Foundations of Forms of Entrepreneurship
- Judgment and Decision Making
- Leadership: Mobilizing People
- Managing Negotiations: Getting to Yes
- Nudge: Influencing Behavior
- New Venture Creation
- Strategic Management of Technology and Innovation
- Macroeconomics II
- Accounting and IT Systems I and II
- Corporate Governance and Accountability
- Economic Assessment of Health Care
- Financial Management in Health Care Organizations
- Health Care Management
- Health Economics
- Introduction into Health Care Economics
- Organizational Behavior and Decision Making
- Tax and Organizations
- Urban Economics
- Integrative Practical
- Mathematical Economics I
- Operations Research I
- Econometrics I
- Business Game
- Computational Econometrics (for econometrics students)
- Case Lab
- Case Study: A Modelling Competition
- Data Analytics
- Empirical Economics
- Empirical Finance
- Empirical Marketing
- Heuristic Optimization Methods
- Introduction to Econometrics (for non-econometrics students)
- Introduction to Time Series
- Operations Analytics
- Academic Skills
- Economics for the Global Era
- Organisation Theory
- Business Information Systems
- Finance
- International Business Law
- International Strategy
- Organisational Behavior - Human Resource Management
- Consumer Science for Online Commerce
- E-Commerce Supply Chain Management
- Emerging Technologies for E-Business and Online Commerce
- Grand Challenges
- Introduction to E-business and Online Commerce
- Information Systems in E-Business and Online Commerce
- Marketing Sustainable Innovations
- Organizing Sustainable Innovation
- Sustainable Supply Chain Management
- Shared Value Creation

### Semester 2 (Spring)
- Auditing
- Consumer Behavior
- Digital Marketing and Metrics
- Financial Markets and Institutions
- Human Capital Across the Life Cycle
- Inclusive Growth and Sustainability Investments
- Industrial Organization
- Advanced Practical
- Mathematical Economics II
- Operations Research II
- Econometrics II
- Computational Finance
- Empirical Econometric Modelling
- Mathematical Economics III
- Operational Research III
- Econometrics III
- Accounting
- Business Processes
- Business Statistics
- Cross Cultural Marketing
- Global Supply Chain Management
- Accounting in Multi-National Enterprises
- Business Research Methods I - Quantitative/Qualitative
- Corporate Finance in Emerging Economies
- Digital Innovation and Virtual Organising in a Global Setting
- Integrative Research Project
- Marketing in Emerging Economies
- Supply Chain Management in Emerging Economies
- Business Intelligence and Analytics
- Contemporary Perspectives on HRM Theory
- Contemporary Perspectives on OB: Leading Change
- Debates in Consulting Research
- Financial Modelling and Derivatives
- Foundations of Strategic Management
- International Financial Management
- Knowledge Management
- Managing and Improving Quality
- Procurement and Supply Management
- Small Business Development
- Strategic Management from a Practice Perspective

## Minors
- Understanding and Influencing Decisions in Business and Society
- Entrepreneurship
- E-business and Online Commerce
- Sustainability and Innovation
- Accounting, Organizations and Society
- Health Care Management
- Operations Analytics
- Applied Econometrics: A Big Data Experience for All

## FACULTY OF LAW
### Semester 1 (Fall)
- Bioethics, Technology and Law
- Children’s Rights from an International Perspective
- Current Issues in Transnational Law
- EU Internal Market Law
- European and International Law
- Introduction to European Legal Science
- Human Rights and Migration: Citizenship
- Human Rights and Migration: Current Issues
- Human Rights and Migration: The Border
- International Company Law
- International Tax Law
- Internet Governance
- Public International Law
- Refugee and Family Migratory Law
- Research Seminar International Crimes
- Transnational Law in Social Context
- Transnational Law in Theory and Practice

### Semester 2 (Spring)
- Advanced Course in Legal Philosophy
- Competition Law
- Corporations and International Crimes
- E-Commerce Law
- EU Anti-Discrimination Law
- Human Rights Protection in Europe
- International Business and Internet Law
- Irregular Migration
- Legal English
- Law and Religion in Europe

## Minor
- Transnational Law and Society
### FACULTY OF HUMANITIES
#### Semester 1 (Fall)
- Advanced English Language Skills (blended learning)
- Akkadian Literary Texts B
- American Film: Cinematic Representations of the "Other"
- American Literature 1900-present
- Amsterdam: Jewish Culture
- Amsterdam: A Historical Introduction
- Amsterdam: Comparing Heritage Projects
- Amsterdam: Global Historical Perspectives
- Analysing Text and Talk
- Ancient Christianity
- Annotation by Humans and Machines Aramaic
- Archaeology of the Pre- and Protohistorical Mediterranean
- Democracy: A History
- Digital Hermeneutics and Visualisation
- Digital Humanities in Practice
- Dutch History in European Context 1200-1800
- Dutch Literature and Culture of the Golden Age
- Elementary Course Babylonian 1 and 2
- Exhibition Machines
- Film and Media History
- Genre and Literary Analysis
- Global English
- Greek and Latin Patristic Literature
- Historical Texts Babylonia
- Historiography of Media
- History and Cultures of the Ancient Near East A and B
- History of Emotions
- History of the Levant A
- Imagining the Dutch: themes in Dutch History A
- Introduction Migration Studies
- Introduction to American Studies
- Literary Theory
- Literature, Culture and Society
- Medieval Literature and Culture in a European Context
- Migration, Ethnicity and the Economy
- Minor English: English in my own discipline
- Minor English: Grammar and Writing 1
- Minor English: Pronunciation and Presentation
- Minor English: Writing 2
- Philosophy of Freedom: Freedom and Causality
- Philosophy of Freedom: Freedom and the Brain
- Philosophy of Freedom: Freedom, Nature and Beauty
- Philosophy of Freedom: Morality of Freedom
- Philosophy of Freedom: Original Freedom
- Pronunciation
- Science Methods in Archaeology
- Social History of the United States: The Archaic Period in the Eastern Aegean
- The United States South, 1800-1970
- To Have and to Hold: The History of Collecting and Exhibiting (1500-present)
- Transatlantic Travel Writing
- Urban Culture and Public Space
- Urban History: Bruges, Antwerp and Amsterdam
- Writing 2

#### Semester 2 (Spring)
- Advanced Akkadian Seminar
- Archaeology of Prehistoric Western Europe
- Archaeology of the Ancient Near East: Art, Science and Film Representation
- British Literature 1688-1800
- British Literature 1900-present
- Creative Writing L&S
- Early Christian Studies: Desert Christians & the Literature of Early Monasticism
- Elementary Course Babylonian 3
- Elementary Course Babylonian 4
- Empires and States in a Globalising World (1500-present)
- English Literature 1550-1688
- English Literature in a Changing World
- English Literature in a Changing World 1: Literature and Politics
- English Literature in a Changing World 2: Utopia/Dystopia
- English: International Communication
- Global Migration History
- Hellenism from Alexander the Great to Severus Alexander
- History of Ancient Near Eastern Literature
- How Organisations use History
- Imagining the Dutch: themes in Dutch History B
- Intercultural Communication
- International Organizations: Institutions, People, Networks
- International Relations from Below
- Language and Interaction
- Literary Prizes
- Mediterranean Archaeology: Imagining the Past
- Mesopotamian Legal Texts
- Sacral Topography and Religious Architecture
- Shakespeare on Film
- Slavery and Slave Trade: History and Memory
- Text Production and Translation
- What is e-Humanities
- World Heritage and Conflict

### Minors
- American Studies
- Migration Studies
- Digital Humanities
- Minor in English
- Philosophy of Freedom
- European History and Culture 1200-1800

### MEDICINE
#### FACULTY OF MEDICINE
#### Minors
- Internal Medicine
- Cardiovascular Research Challenges
- Immunology-Infection-Cancer connected
- Clinical Neuroscience: Life of Brain
- Hot Topics in Psychiatry
- Global Health, Diversity and Conflict Challenges and Opportunities Primary Care
- Perioperative Care and Anatomy
- Child Health Care
- Personalized Medicine
- Sports, Orthopaedics, Rehabilitation
- Research Minor: Science in Medicine
SOCIAL AND BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCES

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
Semester 1 (Fall)
Anthropology of Religion
Business Anthropology
Capita Selecta Political Science
Comparative Political Research
Culture and Citizenship
Development and Globalization
Development from an Interdisciplinary Viewpoint
Entreprising Regions
Entrepreneuring in Amsterdam
Entrepreneurship and Networks
Entrepreneurship Industry
Environment and Development
Global Political Economy
Global Religion and Local Diversity
History and Theory of Anthropology
Identity and Diversity in Organizations
Identity, Ethnicity and Nationalism
Intercultural Communication
International Relations and Global Governance
Introduction in Entrepreneurship
Media Entertainment
Organization Politics
Organizational Discourse and Narrative Analysis
Public Management
Radicalization and Conflict
Social Media
Semester 2 (Spring)
A Global History of Inequality
Culture and New Media
Decision Making and Institutional Policy Change
Ethnographic Monographs
EU Governance in an International Context
History of Political Thought
Individual Processing of Media
Organizational Culture and Change
Public Relations and Reputation Management
Sex Work in the times of Anti-trafficking: From a Global Perspective
Social Inequalities and the Welfare State
Social Structure and Political Mobilization
Minors
Development Studies
Entrepreneurship
Frontiers of Multicultural Societies
Organizational Culture
Political Science

SOCIAL AND BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCES

FACULTY OF BEHAVIOURAL AND HUMAN MOVEMENT SCIENCES
Semester 1 (Fall)
Analyses Toolbox
Behaviour Genetics
Cognitive Neuroscience
Education and the Good life
Evolutionary Psychology
Group Dynamics
Mind Brain and Education
Psychophysiological and Cognitive Applications
Research Toolbox
Semester 2 (Spring)
Behavior: Learning and Addiction
B-thesis
Cognition and Emotion
Cooperation and Competition
Emotion and Social Cognition
Human Resource Development
Methodology and start B-thesis
Molecular Genetics
Sensation and Perception
Stress and Health
Minor
Genes, Brains and Behaviour

WHY LOOK FURTHER INTO VRIJE UNIVERSITEIT AMSTERDAM?

VRIJE UNIVERSITEIT AMSTERDAM:
• is a top research university, ranked among the best 100 universities in the world in the 2015 Shanghai ranking;
• is located in the capital of the Netherlands, one of the most popular and exciting European cities to live in;
• has a modern campus with student housing just a five-minute bike ride away;
• offers an international environment with approximately 25% of the students in our English-taught programmes coming from abroad.