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WELCOME TO HU UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES UTRECHT



A stay abroad always amounts to more than the sum of its parts. Together, meeting new people, being immersed in a new culture and exploring a different country make for an enriching experience. The Netherlands is a fantastic country and has always been geared towards international trade. The resulting open attitude towards people from other countries remains a trademark of Dutch culture. Utrecht is located in the heart of the country and has a population of approximately 300,000 and a long and colourful history, which is reflected in its old city centre. Utrecht is home to many highly educated people. Around 70,000 young people study in the city and enjoy its rich cultural life. HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht is one of the

largest colleges of higher education in the Netherlands, with over 35,000 students. Nevertheless, our students still experience the educational environment as small-scale and personal. This makes HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht a great place to make friends which you will cherish for the rest of your life.

G.T.C. Bonhof
President of the Executive Board

ABOUT HU UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES UTRECHT

HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht (HU) prepares students for the professional world. We offer mainly Bachelor's degree programmes, but also several Master's degree programmes. The Bachelor's programmes require a minimum of four years of study; the Master's programmes take between a year and a year and a half to complete.

University of Applied Sciences?

Higher education in the Netherlands is offered at two types of institutions: research universities (*universiteiten*) and universities of applied sciences (*hogescholen*). The HU is a university of applied sciences. Universities of applied sciences are primarily responsible for offering higher professional education

programmes, which prepare you for particular professions. These tend to be more practically oriented than programmes offered by research universities. In addition to lectures, seminars, projects and independent study, you are required to complete a work placement, as well as a final project or a thesis. Students who complete the programmes successfully are awarded a Bachelor's degree and can then opt to continue their studies in a similar field and obtain a Master's degree.

What do we offer you?

The HU has a lot to offer to international students. Apart from our international programmes taught in English, we offer several facilities and activities that add to the international experience.

- Dutch courses that help you improve your linguistic and study skills.
- The possibility to go abroad for study or work placement.
- A general orientation week for all first-year students.
- A student's network (ESN) that helps you feel at home during your stay in the Netherlands.
- An International Office that provides information on course requirements, registration procedures, tuition fees and quick visa procedures.

Why study at HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht (HU)?

- It is an excellent study environment. The HU is located on the Uithof, a large campus where most students attend their classes. The campus has a grand café, a bookstore and its own cultural and sport centres. Some of the student housing is also located on campus.
- Modern facilities. All buildings are modern and well equipped with media libraries, computers and self-service restaurants. Wireless Internet is available in our buildings and you receive an e-mail address in our domain.
- Practice-based education. Your teachers are in direct contact with the professional world, so you are guaranteed a degree which prepares you for a professional career.
- Project-based work. Exciting projects encourage students to work together, just as people do in real companies and institutes.
- Coaching. Coaches help you to become acquainted with the study programme, study methods and career prospects. They can also provide advice on academic or personal problems, work placement preparation or study planning.
- International experience. During your studies you have the opportunity to study abroad and gain work experience during one of your work placements.
- Small classes. Individual supervision is possible due to the limited number of students per group.
- Continued study. After finishing your Bachelor's programme it is possible to continue your studies by doing a Master's programme.



Facts & Figures

- HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht was founded in 1995, as a result of merging several independent institutions.
- The HU is a university of applied sciences, *Hogeschool Utrecht* in Dutch.
- The HU is state-funded.
- Our university has over 35,000 students with more than 100 different nationalities.
- Most of our European students come from Belgium, France, Germany and Spain. Most of the students from outside Europe come from Cameroon, China, Ghana, Iran, Morocco, Nigeria, Suriname, and Turkey.
- Each year we welcome about 200 international students.
- We offer 75 Bachelor programmes, of which four are taught completely in English.
- We offer 25 Master programmes, of which two are taught completely in English.
- We offer our programmes within nine themes: Building and Environment, Communication and Journalism, Economics and Management, Education and Pedagogics, Information and Communication Technology, Life Sciences and Chemistry, Lifestyle and Health, Society and Law and Technology and Design.
- We offer exchange programmes, minors, non-degree programmes and summer school programmes all taught in English.
- The HU is located in two cities: Utrecht and Amersfoort (25km from Utrecht).



THE NETHERLANDS



THE NETHERLANDS MANAGES TO COMBINE HISTORY AND TRADITIONAL CULTURE WITH INNOVATION, MODERN SOCIETY AND AN INTERNATIONAL ORIENTATION.



The Netherlands is famous for its windmills. There are still more than 1,000 traditional working mills. Today, modern wind turbines are designed to convert wind energy into electricity.

Amsterdam is the capital of the Netherlands, but The Hague is the seat of the government.

One remarkable aspect of the Netherlands is how flat the land is. Over a quarter of the country lies below sea level. This might explain the country's expertise in land reclamation and water management.

The population numbers 16.3 million. People of over 200 different nationalities live in the Netherlands.

The country is world-renowned for its pioneering architecture. Many Dutch architects work in China.

The Port of Rotterdam (on the North Sea) and Schiphol Airport are vibrant main ports for the whole of Europe.

Centrally located in northwestern Europe, the Netherlands is only a few hours away from the large metropolises London, Paris and Berlin.



The official name of the country is the Netherlands, which literally means "Low countries" or "Lowlands". The country is also often called Holland, which refers to the provinces (North Holland and South Holland).

The Netherlands Antilles and Aruba are part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

The Netherlands has a temperate marine climate with temperatures averaging 16°C (61°F) in the summer and 3°C (37°F) in the winter.

UTRECHT



UTRECHT: WHERE TALENT AND KNOWLEDGE MEET

Utrecht is located in the heart of the Netherlands and is the country's fourth largest city and a major hub for all rail, road and water transport systems.

One very unique thing about the city is the warehouse cellars along the canals. Once used as storage cellars by the local merchants, they have now been converted into restaurants, boutiques or places of cultural interest.



Utrecht is well known for its institutions of higher education. Thanks to the many educational institutions, the population is young and learned.

There are countless restaurants and pubs where you can enjoy the sun on one of the many terraces and where you can try the famous Dutch apple pie.

Many of Utrecht's businesses are active on the international stage. Cap Gemini, Rabobank, Fortis, Atos, Origin, and HP Invent all have their head office in Utrecht.



One of the most impressive buildings in Utrecht is the Dom Church. You can see the tower from almost anywhere in the city. It is also the highest church tower in the country.

Utrecht is just a half hour train ride from Amsterdam.

Almost all Dutch have a bicycle and there are twice as many bikes as cars. In Utrecht many people travel by bike through the city but most places are also accessible by bus.



Of all of the country's cities, Utrecht holds second place in terms of the most cultural events. There are many museums, cinemas, theatres and clubs. Every summer Utrecht hosts a film festival, a festival of early music and a dance festival.

At least 75% of the people speak some English. The Netherlands is the largest non-English-speaking importer of English books. Also, most of the films in the cinema are in English, with Dutch subtitles.



BACHELOR'S PROGRAMMES

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT STUDIES

International Business and Management Studies (IBMS) is a four-year business programme in an international setting.

- **What is covered in the programme?**

The IBMS programme focuses on the international aspects of marketing and sales, finance and business logistics. The first year of the programme provides a general foundation. The themes covered are communication, operational management, marketing and finance. In the main phase of the programme, you broaden and deepen your knowledge of all three areas of marketing management, finance and accounting and business logistics.

- **What job will it prepare me for?**

In 2008 graduates entered almost every area of employment: general management posts, banking/finance, retail/sales, marketing research and logistics. Many IBMS graduates also become entrepreneurs and start up their own businesses.

- **What about practical experience?**

During two work placement periods, you will get a real taste of the business world outside of school. At least one work placement needs to be done abroad. The first work placement is in the second year and lasts eleven weeks; the second work placement is in the fourth year and lasts twenty weeks.

- **What kind of diploma will I receive?**

Upon successful completion of the IBMS-programme, you will be awarded a Bachelor's degree of Business Administration (BBA).

- **What is so special about this programme?**

From day one you work in a small, international oriented environment. You take part in projects in which

you are exposed to many cultures. IBMS focuses strongly on relating an academic study to the "real" business world. This is supported by the two work placements and the strong links that IBMS lecturers have with commerce and industry worldwide.

- **Interested?**

www.international.hu.nl > Study programmes > Bachelor's degree

IBMS in 3 years

Students with an A-level degree can receive a number of exemptions for IBMS which enables you to do the bachelor study IBMS in three years. You will have to do an assessment beforehand so that can be determined if and which exemptions you can apply for. More information: www.ibms.bachelors.hu.nl

BACHELOR'S PROGRAMMES

ENTREPRENEURSHIP FOR DEVELOPING AREAS

Entrepreneurship for Developing Areas is a specialized three-year Bachelor's programme in International Business and Management Studies (IBMS).

- **What is covered in the programme?**

Entrepreneurship for Developing Areas (EDA) is a specialization within the IBMS programme. You learn all about the risks, threats and opportunities of doing business in a developing area. The first year of the programme includes introductory courses on entrepreneurship, organization, marketing and sales and financial management. Main themes in the second year include international business, good governance, and operational management. The third year involves further specialization to elaborate your plans in such a way as to render the results immediately applicable in practice.

- **What job will it prepare me for?**

The programme provides a sound basis for an international career in

companies which trade with and from emerging markets. You might begin as an entrepreneur in a developing country, or become a consultant to local businesses for a consultancy firm or public agency.

- **What about practical experience?**

You will examine case studies drawn directly from business practice, and will be able to attend regular guest lectures by consultants and businessmen from the developing regions. This will enable you to form a good idea of the situation 'on the ground' and the problems facing local businesses. In the second and third year of the programme there are internships. Eventually, this will result in a graduation project that requires you to put all the theoretical know-

ledge and other skills you have acquired into practice.

- **What kind of diploma will I receive?**

On graduation, you will be entitled to use the title Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA).

- **What is so special about this programme?**

You can follow this specialization once you have completed the foundation year of IBMS. Exemption for this year is possible for A-level students.

- **Interested?**

www.international.hu.nl > Study programmes > Bachelor's degree

WITH THE KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE I GOT IN THE NETHERLANDS I CAN GO BACK TO CURACAO AND HELP.

'I think the school is very nice, but also strange. It is big and small at the same time. It looks very modern, not like a school at all.

People are very open-minded here. Coming from an island I really get a bigger picture of the world. And in Utrecht it is also very quiet and calm.

Finding housing can be tough. But now I live with three friends together in a student house. That is nice. I can buy the food I am used to back home and I could get a job, so I can fully concentrate on my education. This study is important to me because with the knowledge and experience I got in the Netherlands I can go back to Curacao and help.'



Carlos Palacios Vargas, International Business and Management Studies student

MY FELLOW STUDENTS ARE VERY SPECIAL TO ME.

'Entrepreneurship for Developing Areas is exactly what I want to do. I want to be involved in the developing world helping the nations that are the weakest. My fellow students are very special to me. They are the people I spend most of my time with. Coming from 8 different nationalities it is a lot of fun hanging out with them, also on weekends.

The multi-national environment in Utrecht is really cool. There are lots of shopping places, the atmosphere is relaxed and there are many nice areas. My favorite place is an African food store of course, since I am from Zambia.

Dutch food is surprisingly lovable. Even though some things are deep-fried, it is very homey, good and healthy. And if you love coffee this country is fantastic.'



Melody Chikoti, Entrepreneurship for Developing Areas Student

BACHELOR'S PROGRAMMES

INTERNATIONAL MARKETING MANAGEMENT

International Marketing Management (IMM) is a four-year business programme in an international setting.

- **What is covered in the programme?**

IMM trains you to be a marketer. You learn the ins and outs of doing international business and carry out research to find out whether a product has any chance of success abroad. During the first year you will take classes in finance and management, English, and presentation and communication skills. Furthermore, you will attend courses in marketing, law, general economics and statistics.

- **What job will it prepare me for?**

Graduates in IMM have a range of employment opportunities open to them as Market Researchers, Account Managers, Sales Managers, Product Managers, or Export Managers.

- **What about practical experience?**

During your work placements you will have the chance to familiarise yourself with the profession and explore your own possibilities. You will be on work placement for six months during the fourth year.

- **What kind of diploma will I receive?**

Upon successful completion of the IMM programme you will be awarded the title Bachelor of Commerce.

- **What is so special about this programme?**

You will study amongst other international students and work on joint projects. If you like, you can take third and fourth-year courses at universities

in Switzerland, Belgium, Canada and many other countries.

- **Interested?**

www.international.hu.nl > Study programmes > Bachelor's degree

IN AN INTERNATIONAL COURSE EVERYBODY IS MORE LIKELY TO LEARN FROM ANOTHER CULTURE.

'A lot of students who start this course are not native speakers of English. By helping each other, you will learn it very quickly. I was surprised about the speed I learned the language.

It is very nice to meet people from another country and learn about their culture. Sometimes it is hard to work together because you have to get used to different working styles.

Most students from abroad are really curious and open. In an international course everybody is more likely to learn from another culture. It makes the course more dynamic and interesting.

I hope that I will end up in another country than the Netherlands. I want to work in an internationally orientated company. My dream is to work in the aircraft industry.'



Suze de Zeeuw, International Marketing Management student

BACHELOR'S PROGRAMMES

INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA

International Communication and Media (ICM) is a four-year communication programme in an international setting.

- **What is covered in the programme?**

The first year of ICM provides you with a solid basis in communication, marketing, intercultural issues, journalistic and writing skills, and of course digital media. The second year is more intense and specific: concrete projects, such as the design of a cross-media campaign, or the creation and printing of a magazine, are combined with essential principles of marketing, corporate and internal communication, international Law, consumer behavior, intercultural management and a foreign language. The third year is entirely dedicated to your profiling space and your internship. During the fourth and final year, you can choose between two specializations: Media or Communication.

- **What job will it prepare me for?**

Our graduates work in numerous fields and positions: Press Officers, Technical Writers, Public Relations Consultants, Publishers, Interface Designers, Event Managers, Coordinators of advertising campaigns, and Media Planners.

- **What about practical experience?**

All students must spend at least half of the third year in a non-native environment. The profiling space consists of 6 months of studies, either at one of our foreign partner universities, or at any school or university in the Netherlands.

- **What kind of diploma will I receive?**

You will graduate with a Bachelor's degree in Communication.

- **What is so special about this programme?**

Each year is divided in four different blocks of ten weeks, each with a specific theme. For example, in the block "Society and Communication" you will have subjects such as Sociology, Global Economics, Mass Communication, writing classes and a project in which you will have to make your own documentary about a subculture. When one block is finished, a new one starts with a different theme.

- **Interested?**

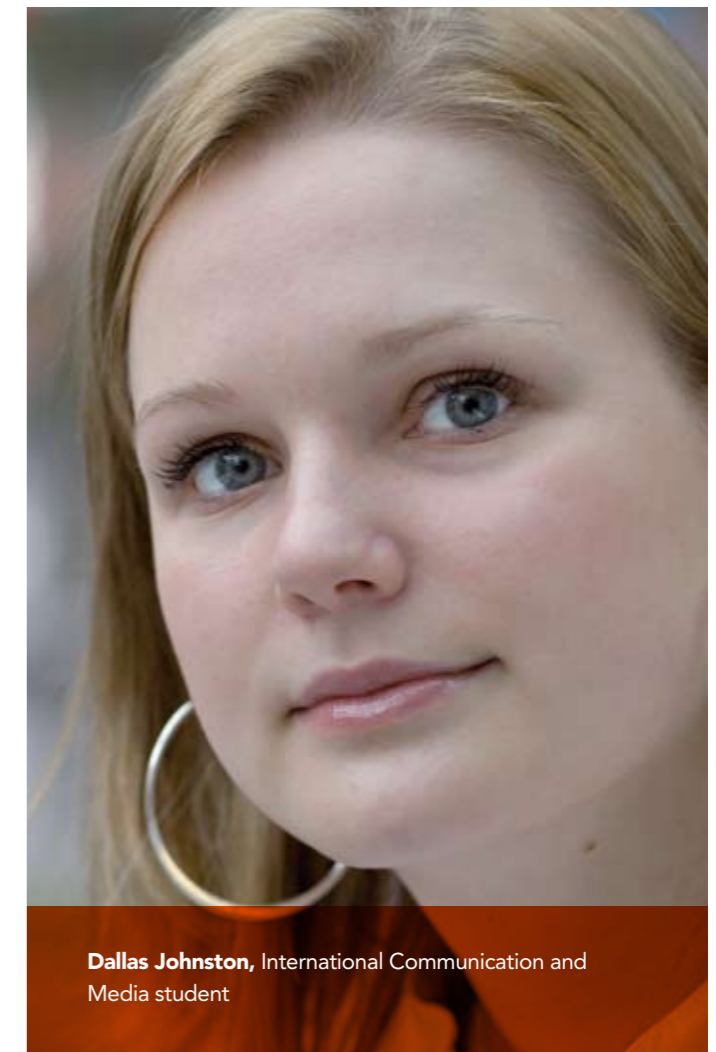
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I AM SURROUNDED BY HISTORY.

'The study facilities are phenomenal. Each building brings a dynamic flair. Take for example my faculty. It reflects what each student aspires to once their studies are complete. Creativity, tenacity and modernity.

In Holland, there are times when I feel like I am in an amusement park. It is a two fold sentiment. On the one hand I feel like I can't have space to myself. Yet, on the other hand, you know there is always something, somewhere going on. And, with such advanced infrastructure, you can get to that something, somewhere easily anytime.

What I like about living here is that I am surrounded by history. For once, I can place myself in the textbooks and novels I've reveled over all my life.'



Dallas Johnston, International Communication and Media student

BACHELOR'S PROGRAMMES

INTERNATIONAL FINANCE AND CONTROL

International Finance and Control (IFC) is a four-year business programme in an international setting.

- **What is covered in the programme?**

The International Finance and Control programme provides a solid foundation in the basic principles of budgeting and finance. You will develop skills in business administration, financial management, external reporting and management accounting and management control. In addition, you will learn how to draw up and manage records and how to analyse the data from the administrative records. What is more, a lot of attention will be devoted to general economics, intercultural management and international business.

- **What job will it prepare me for?**

Graduates in IFC have a range of employment opportunities open to them in the financial industry in positions such as Business Admini-

strative Officers, Financial Managers, Controllers, Assets Managers, or Heads of Administration.

Job opportunities exist at small and medium-sized companies, accountancy firms, banks and insurance companies. Treasury, Cash-management or Control departments of large corporate companies and multinationals also provide good opportunities for employment.

- **What about practical experience?**

The IFC programme features two periods of internships. The first is at the end of the second year. This work placement lasts ten weeks and is known as a work shadow placement. Your second work placement, lasting twenty weeks, is at the end of your fourth and final year.

- **What kind of diploma will I receive?**

Once you have successfully completed the International Finance and Control programme, you will be awarded the title Bachelor of Economics.

- **What is so special about this programme?**

There are many opportunities to exchange experiences with businesses during visits from guest lecturers from the international organisations. Because the HU has an internationally certified programme you can easily substitute the subjects that you would otherwise complete at an institute of higher education abroad with HU courses.

- **Interested?**

www.international.hu.nl > Study programmes > Bachelor's degree

INTELLECTUAL CULTURES CAN DIFFER IMMENSELY.

'The international diversity is wonderful. Intellectual cultures can differ immensely, but when they work together that produces the best ideas.'



Andrew Pinedo, International Business and Economics student



FOUNDATION YEAR

INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION YEAR

The International Foundation Year is aimed at international students who do not yet have the necessary skills for starting an undergraduate degree programme in English.

- **What is covered in the programme?**

The International Foundation Year enables you to study subjects relevant to the degree programme of your choice and equips you with the study skills and command of English required of undergraduate students. The course of study is intensive, with approximately 30 contact hours per week and with various study assignments. English lessons alternate with other course components. At the end of the course, you receive specific training in order to prepare you for the final English test.

- **What will it prepare me for?**

On completion of this course, a student's command of English will be sufficient to gain admission to any English-taught Bachelor course. Basically, this means that you have

reached IELTS level 6 (academic module) or a minimum TOEFL score of 213 (computer-based version) or 550 (paper-based).

- **What about practical experience?**

Besides English, the course covers topics essential for following the subsequent degree programme successfully:

- Dutch language, culture and society;
- European cultures and values;
- Study skills;
- Computer skills;
- Cooperative skills;
- Personal development (learning ability, sensitivity, presentation skills)

- **What kind of diploma will I receive?**

You will not receive a diploma, but having completed the Foundation Year

and passed the English test, you are eligible for admission to one of the international Bachelor's degree programmes at HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht.

- **What is so special about this programme?**

The course is full-time and lasts 8 months. The programme includes excursions intended to broaden your knowledge and understanding of the Dutch culture.

- **Interested?**

www.international.hu.nl > Study programmes > Bachelor's degree > International Foundation Year



MASTER'S PROGRAMMES

MASTER OF INTERNATIONAL APPLIED COMMUNICATION

Develop your skills and knowledge in advanced applied communication on a global level and study in two different countries.

- **What is covered in the programme?**

An innovative personal, professional and academic development course, the MSc in International Applied Communication (MIAC) is designed to meet the growing demand for communication managers who are independent thinkers and can assist organisations to respond to a fast changing, international environment. You will gain transferable personal and intellectual skills, as well as core management skills; required by strategic managers in the developing international communication industry.

- **What job will it prepare me for?**

The course will prepare you for a career in international organisations including the UN, NGOs, the Foreign

Office and British Council as well as in public relations consultancies and in-house communication departments.

- **What about practical experience?**

With a multi-national course team and an alumni base built up over a decade, the course provides a link to an excellent network of communication professionals.

- **What kind of diploma will I receive?**

You will receive a double degree. The University of Central Lancashire grants International Applied Communication graduates a Master of Science degree: MSc. HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht grants a professional master degree. Both degrees are accredited.

- **What is so special about this programme?**

The Master of Science International Applied Communication is validated by the University of Central Lancashire and by NVAO (Dutch Flemish Accreditation Organisation). This gives us the opportunity to offer a double degree: Master of Science (UK) and a professional master (NL).

- **Interested?**

www.international.hu.nl > Study programmes > Master's degree

MASTER'S PROGRAMMES

MASTER OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION MANAGEMENT

Boost your career in international communication.

- **What is covered in the programme?**

The programme focuses on communication management from an international perspective. You will have access to the state-of-the-art insights of our Crossmedia Research Centre. You will take part in media training and other training and coaching sessions to improve your personal effectiveness in an international environment. A week-long excursion to a city abroad will deepen your understanding of intercultural differences.

- **What job will it prepare me for?**

Holders of this master's degree are perfectly placed for senior management positions in communication jobs within international organisations or consultancy work. They are experts with the ability to manage "integrated communication" from a broad

perspective and in an international context.

- **What about practical experience?**

You are already a communication professional at an international corporation, consultancy or NGO. You enjoy your job. Now you feel you are ready to take on the challenge of high-level policy-making as a communication manager or consultant.

- **What kind of diploma will I receive?**

After graduating you can use the title accredited by NVAO (Dutch Flemish Accreditation Organisation): Professional Master of Communication: MComn

- **What is so special about this programme?**

- Part time programme for professionals with three years of experience;

- Homogeneous group of maximum 20;
- Admission by selection;
- Two years in total, divided into four parts each lasting one semester. Each part consists of twelve one-day sessions;
- Unique combination of theoretical input with practical training and personal coaching;
- Approximately 20 professional guest-lecturers and trainers;
- You will apply immediately on your job what you learn in the course;
- Week-long excursion to a university and some international companies abroad.

- **Interested?**

The programme starts in January. www.micm.hu.nl



YOU HAVE TO HAVE A KNACK FOR LANGUAGES, BECAUSE ALL CLASSES ARE TAUGHT IN ENGLISH.

'ICM is an international course, which means you have lots of foreign classmates and you get to know many different cultures. But you have to have a knack for languages, because all classes are taught in English.

For our media class, we had to make a documentary. Our documentary was about poker players and people who live on boats. It was great fun because you get to know people you wouldn't normally meet. You have to enjoy doing these types of projects and not just go for the international character of the course though.'



Silvia Todorova, ICM student

SHORT PROGRAMMES

EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES

Studying abroad is a valuable experience. Getting acquainted with a new environment, culture and system is an enriching experience. Embrace it and open your mind to all it can teach you!

- **For whom are these programmes intended?**

Provided your university has an exchange agreement with HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht, you are welcome to apply to study at our university for a semester or a year. The International Office provides support and assistance before your arrival and during your studies at our university.

- **What programmes are offered?**

HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht is constantly adding new exchange programmes in English. We offer several programmes within the main areas of Communication and Journalism, Economics and Management (business school) and Social Work.

- **When do these programmes start?**

Some courses start in the first semester (September - January); others start in the second semester (February - June). Please check our website for detailed information and the application deadline.

- **Interested?**

The details of the current courses can be found on: www.international.hu.nl > Study programmes > Exchange programmes

SHORT PROGRAMMES

MINORS

The purpose of the free choice component (called Minor) is to broaden or deepen your study and to give you the opportunity to personalise your study programme.

- **For whom are these programmes intended?**

Degree students can choose a minor in their third year of study. It is also possible for exchange students to enrol in one of our minors. By taking an optional programme of your choice, you earn 30 European Credits (EC) or more.

- **What programmes are offered?**

HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht offers a wide range of minors,

which are taught completely in English, in any of the following areas:

- Business Administration
- Communication
- Education
- Health Care
- Law
- Life sciences
- Marketing and Commerce
- Social Work
- Society
- Technology

- **When do these programmes start?**

Most minors start in the first semester (September – January). Please check our website for detailed information and the application deadline.

- **Interested?**

The details of current minors can be found on: www.international.hu.nl > Study programmes > Minors

I COULD LIVE HERE.

What I like about the Netherlands is how people do things here. They are very helpful and direct. It feels like only the sky is the limit. And they recycle here, which I think is awesome.

Something people should know is that the Dutch get around with the bicycle a lot. I love bikes. Back home in Nicaragua only poor people use bikes. But here it is the coolest thing!

It is definitely a learning experience with my fellow students. They all come from different cultures. Working with them opens your eyes and you start becoming tolerant. All together they know what they want and study really hard for it.

In my free time I like just biking around, going to parks, watching movies or going shopping. It is very safe and enjoyable. I could live here.



Ana Baldizon Barrantes, exchange student

THE DOM CHURCH AND THE LIVELY GREEN GARDEN CONTRAST EACH OTHER IN A GORGEOUS WAY.

'Utrecht is a true student city. International students have parties and gatherings all the time and come together at the night club 'Storm' every Tuesday night. Student housing is full of life, and if you're lucky like me, you get to know your housemates and they become your temporary family.

The convent garden at the Dom Church is an interesting little spot. I am not a religious person, but the garden is a quiet little spot where you can sit down and enjoy a moment of calm before stepping back out into the old town centre. The Dom church and the lively green garden contrast each other in a gorgeous way.'



Outi Karvinen, International Health Studies student

SHORT PROGRAMMES

SUMMER SCHOOL COURSES

Utrecht Summer School started in 1987. Last year, over 1,400 students from all over the world attended the Utrecht Summer School, which makes this the largest European provider of summer programmes. Utrecht Summer School offers over 90 academic programmes every summer, some of which can be combined to create a personalised programme.

- **For whom are these programmes intended?**

Most programmes are open to all students. However, some programmes require prior knowledge of the subject.

- **What programmes are offered?**

HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht works closely with Utrecht University, Utrecht School of the Arts and other (national and international) partners to provide the Utrecht Summer School. In the last two decades the Summer School expanded to include a broad selection of courses in virtually all disciplines. The HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht offers various courses in the field of Healthcare, Business, Engineering and Social Sciences.

- **How about social life?**

The Utrecht Summer School aims at providing its participants with an unforgettable stay in Utrecht and the Netherlands. Therefore, parallel to the study programme a leisure programme has been set up including excursions, sports, social gatherings and festivities. To give you an impression, previous year's programmes comprised city trips The Hague and Maastricht, barbecues, access to sports facilities and trips to our renowned museums. For three years now, the Utrecht Summer School has even been organising its own film festival showing famous Dutch movies (with English subtitles).

- **Interested?**

More information about the Utrecht Summer School can be found on: www.utrechtsummerschool.nl

SHORT PROGRAMMES

NON-DEGREE PROGRAMMES

HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht offers two non-degree courses that are taught completely in English. Both programmes are also open to exchange students.

Europe in the World: Journalism Course

- **What is covered in the programme?**

In 1990, the Danish School of Media and Journalism in Århus (Denmark) and the School of Journalism in Utrecht launched a joint specialization course in European journalism. Each year about 20 young professionals from different countries focus on international reporting. Students begin in Utrecht and move to Århus in January. In spring students travel to different parts of Europe on assignments. Reports from the travel period are used to create a website. In addition, students work individually on articles, covering current European developments.

- **What is so special about this programme?**

This specialization programme cannot

be compared to regular academic exchange programmes. Students live and study in two countries, travel to various European locations, and complete an exciting variety of journalistic assignments.

- **Interested?**

The details of the course can be found on: www.international.hu.nl > Study programmes > Non-degree programmes

European Culture & European Journalism

- **What is covered in the programme?**

This programme explores a variety of topics in journalism and culture. You will learn how to deal with reporting on several important European cultural issues. The practical units of the programme centre on research, writing features and in-depth reporting.

Workshops are provided in advanced research skills, gathering information on European developments and other aspects of reporting on foreign, European issues. The programme also provides a solid basis in important aspects of European culture from a journalistic viewpoint.

- **What is so special about this programme?**

During the second part of the programme you will be sent all over Europe to put together (individual) reports on particular aspects of European culture.

- **Interested?**

The details of the course can be found on: www.international.hu.nl > Study programmes > Non-degree programmes

THE SUMMER SCHOOL IS A GREAT EXPERIENCE AND A GOOD SUMMER BREAK.

George Harrington, Canada

'The Summer School is a great experience and a good summer break. And there is a good balance between education and social activities. In Europe it is so easy to travel around.'

Elena Mega, Romania

'I love Utrecht. People are nice and we have a lot of fun. I didn't know anyone when I came here but now I know everyone!'

Doovy Han, South Korea

'The Summer School is a great chance to gain a new experience. This is my first time in Europe. I have been around in Asia and America. The way people's mind operates here in Europe is different from the rest of the world. Everyone is very laid-back.'

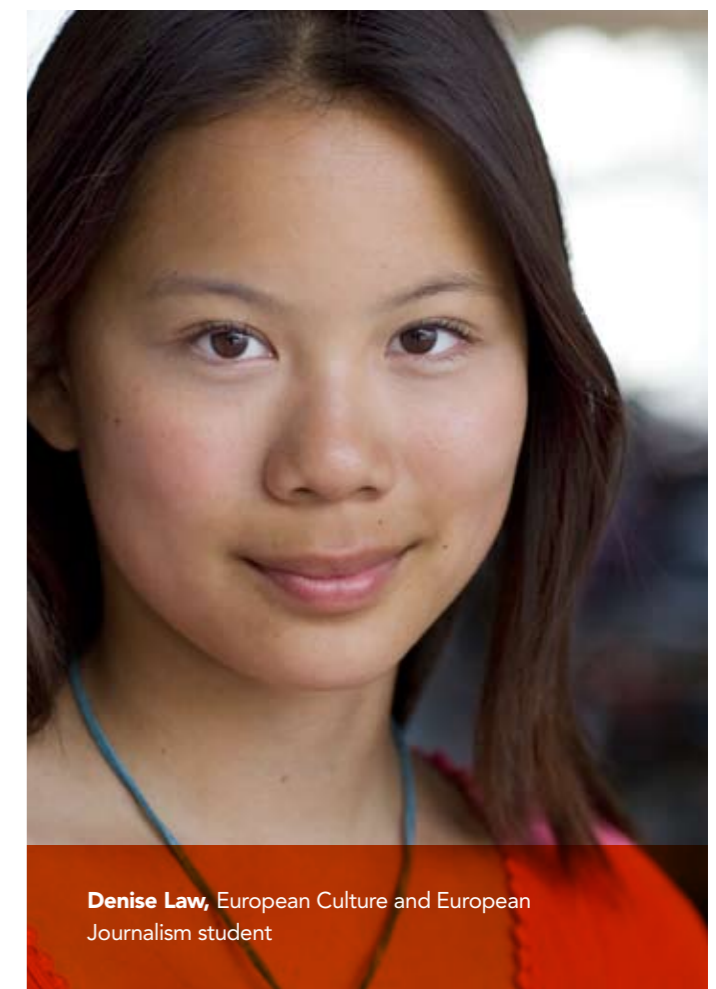


Summer School students

I LEARNED THE IMPORTANCE OF ADAPTING QUICKLY TO NEW SURROUNDINGS.

'The classes helped to stimulate thought-provoking sessions I'm not used to at home. We talked about a whole slew of different topics, such as the Islamic religion, Nietzsche's influence in the contemporary world, Van Gogh's "Starry Night," Dutch culture and the rise of the creative class. We were then asked to apply our skills by either writing a review of an art exhibition or an article about a city or social issue.'

By traveling alone in a foreign European country, I learned the importance of adapting quickly to new surroundings. The Dutch are intelligent, independent and practical; you will learn a lot by just living among the Dutch.'



Denise Law, European Culture and European Journalism student

HOW TO APPLY?

Admission to degree programmes

• Entry requirements?

- The two minimum requirements for admission to the first year of an international Bachelor's degree programme are:
- (Senior) secondary school diploma with higher education entrance qualification. Please visit our website for diploma examples: www.international.hu.nl > Students > How to apply > Entry requirements.
 - Proof of proficiency in English. If the instruction language of your previous (secondary) education was a language other than English or you are not a native English speaker, you are required to take an official international

nally recognised test to prove your English proficiency. We accept the IELTS where the required minimum is an overall score of 6.0. We accept also the TOEFL (due to visa regulations Chinese students may not use TOEFL). The accepted minimum scores are:

- Computer-based (CBT) minimum 213
- Paper-based minimum 550
- Internet-based (iBT) minimum 80

These minimum scores apply to Bachelor's programmes. Please refer to the separate admissions procedures for the minimum scores for Master's programmes: www.international.hu.nl > Study programmes > Master's degree.

• Dutch programmes?

Hogeschool Utrecht offers about 80 programmes in Dutch. Generally speaking, a non-native speaker must be in possession of an NT2 II diploma to do programmes taught in Dutch. If you are interested in taking one of our Dutch programmes, we advise you to contact our Study Information Centre to confirm this requirement. More information about our Dutch programmes can be found on www.hu.nl. For further questions you can contact our Study Information Centre. Tel: +31 30 236 8040, email: info@hu.nl.

• Admission procedures?

In order to enrol for the first time in a regular programme at HU University of

Applied Sciences Utrecht, you need to apply through the national registration service called Studielink. This digital service is in English and a wizard will guide you through the entire application. More information: www.international.hu.nl > Students > How to apply > Admission procedures.

• Deadlines?

- Students who need an entry visa for study: 1 June
 - Students who have temporary residence in the Netherlands: 1 July
 - Students from EEA countries who have a European diploma: 1st of August
- Students with visa restrictions must be completely registered at the HU before the first of September. It is not possible to arrive after the start of the programme.

Application procedures for exchange students

Visiting students can apply for an exchange period through their study abroad coordinator at their home university. The coordinator will provide information as to the proper application procedures. Please note that we can only accept applications from students from our partner universities.

For more details please visit www.international.hu.nl > Exchange students > Application procedures.

Tuition fees degree students

All degree students of HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht must pay tuition fees for each academic year.

• Tuition fees for home and EEA students?

If you wish to study in the Netherlands and you are a national of a European Union (EU) or European Economic Area (EEA) country, the tuition fee is € 1,620 for the academic year 2009/2010. Please note that the tuition fee is subject to an annual inflation rate increase. Check our website for more

information about the tuition fees for 2010/2011. www.international.hu.nl > Finances and costs.

• Tuition fees non-EEA students?

The tuition fee for a full-time non-EEA student is € 7,200 for the academic year 2009/2010. There are some possibilities for students who have a residence visa other than the study to apply for and receive a study grant from IB-Group. With this proof it may be possible to receive exemption from the higher fee. Please note that the tuition fee is subject to annual changes. Check our website for more information about the tuition fees for 2010/2011. www.international.hu.nl > Finances and costs.

• Tuition fees for Master's and Non-degree programmes?

Please check our website and select a course from our Master's degree or Non-degree programmes for the tuition fees of these specific programmes. www.international.hu.nl > Study programmes > Master degree (Non-degree programmes).

Other costs

You should budget approximately € 800 a year for books and other school materials. You will need about € 600 per month to cover rent, food, insurance, transport and other expenses. This does not include study expenses.

Scholarships and grants

HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht offers its own scholarship for excellent and very talented non-European students who have been admitted to one of our international Bachelor's or Master's programmes. More information about the HU Excellent scholarship and how to apply can be found on: www.international.hu.nl > Students > Scholarships and Grants.

The International Office

The International Office facilitates internationalisation at HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht. The International Office is in touch with nearly 200 educational institutions abroad. It makes preparations for foreign students and staff who intend to go abroad. Students from all over the world maintain contact with the office before arriving in the Netherlands. The International Office provides information on the educational programmes, the required visa, accommodation, grants and more.

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Study in Holland

Nuffic is the Netherlands organisation for international cooperation in higher education. On www.nuffic.nl you can find more information about planning your stay in the Netherlands.

Other interesting links

Utrecht Summer School
www.utrechtsummerschool.nl

European Student Network
www.esn-utrecht.nl

City of Utrecht
www.utrecht.nl (English version)

www.international.hu.nl

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