



UvA Start Newsletter

One month to go!

In less than a month, your studies at the UvA will start. Whether you will be coming to Amsterdam in person or will be with us online, we look forward to seeing you soon! Because of measures to prevent the spread of the coronavirus, we can't greet you in person as we usually would. Instead, we have created a **step-by-step guide** online. Check the website often to stay up to date about the latest developments.

Do you have questions about your arrival? On January 20 Student Services will be hosting a **webinar** where you can ask all your questions about quarantine, public transport, where to collect your room key and much more.

Go to uva.nl/uponarrival →



Arrange your health insurance

Have you already arranged your health insurance? It is very important that you

arrange appropriate health insurance for the duration of your stay, as this is required by law. Please note that this will only be necessary from the moment you have arrived in the Netherlands, not before.

Go to [UvA.nl/insurance](https://www.uva.nl/insurance) →



Where to go with questions?

When you start your life at uni, you might have many questions. About your enrolment at the UvA, your schedule, books, courses, and so on. We have made an animation video to show you where to find answers.

Watch the video (YouTube) →

On the student site of your programme, you can find more information about many different topics, like course registration, grading schemes and how to use Canvas (the digital learning environment). After selecting your study programme, click 'A-Z' at the top of the page for an overview of all topics.

Find your student site →



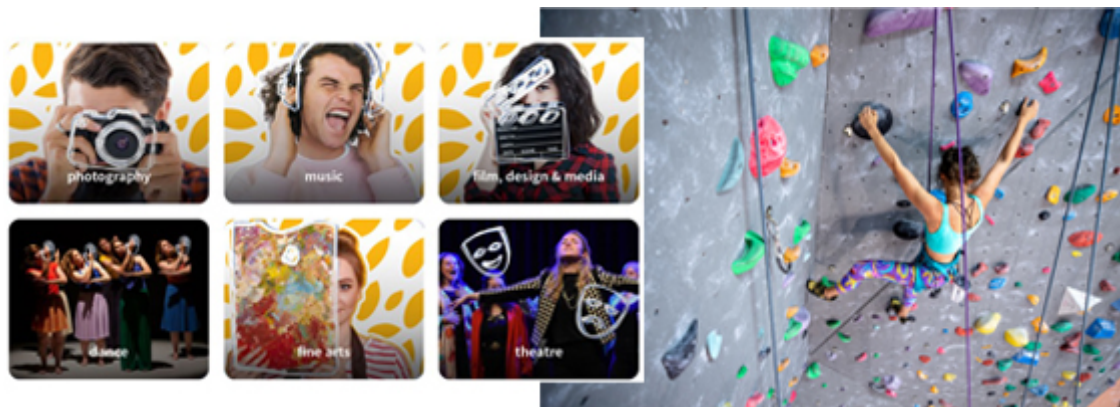
Student associations

Studying is about more than just your education. Each study programme has its own association that organises social events like excursions and parties. Also,

they offer book discounts for their members. You will receive more information about this during the introduction of your study programme.

In addition, there are student unions like [ASVA](#) that represent the interests of all students. Student associations such as [ISN](#) look after the interests of international students.

[Find your student association →](#)



CREA

CREA is the UvA's own cultural centre and a great place to meet creative minds. They offer a wide range of courses (currently online only) in music, fine arts, dance, writing, media and much more. And if you're looking for a place to grab a coffee or have drinks after the lockdown is over, the CREA café is perfectly located right in the middle of the Roeterseiland Campus.

[Go to CREA →](#)

University Sports Centre

Futsal, boxing, bouldering, martial arts, water polo: the University Sports Centre (USC) offers more than 80 sports at discount rates for students. The main building Universum has a large gym, a climbing wall, squash courts and other facilities. Because of the current corona measures, only online classes are offered at the moment. Please keep an eye on their website for the latest updates.

[Go to USC →](#)



Folia International

Folia is the independent news medium for UvA students and employees. On the international page you can find topics in English about the university, campus,

Amsterdam, science, student life and everything else that's interesting for international students. Visit the website or follow [Folia on Facebook](#) to keep up to date!

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Your enrolment status & tuition fees

Curious about your enrolment status? Have a look at the checklist on www.sis.uva.nl. Make sure you arrange the payment of your tuition fee in time. You can either pay the whole amount at once, or authorise the UvA to debit your tuition fee in monthly instalments.

[Read more on uva.nl/tuitionfees](http://uva.nl/tuitionfees) →

Not starting in February?

In case you do not wish to start your studies in February of academic year 2020-2021, please **cancel your enrolment request in Studielink**. This helps the UvA to determine how many students to expect, and will prevent you from receiving further email reminders about your enrolment.

Go to Studielink and select the programme for which you wish to disenroll, and click 'cancel'. Next, check the box 'I confirm that I wish to cancel my enrolment (application) and click 'confirm'.

[Go to Studielink](#) →

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The Start Newsletter is sent to all new international UvA students from November to the beginning of February. Did you miss one? All previous editions are available online.

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