



FACT SHEET FOR ERASMUS+ PARTNER UNIVERSITIES 2022-2023

University of Amsterdam

College of Communication

Incoming exchange students of the **College of Communication** take part in the Exchange Programme **Social and Behavioural Sciences**. All courses in the English taught programme are on advanced undergraduate level in one of the Bachelor's programmes of the College of Social Sciences; the College of Communication; the College of Child Development and Education and the College of Psychology (Interdisciplinary Social Sciences; Cultural Anthropology; Sociology; Political Sciences; Human Geography, Planning and International Development Studies; Communication Science; Child Development; Education; Psychology). For most courses a strong background in one of these disciplines is required; this is indicated as such in the course description.

Important Websites:

- Are you a prospective student? [Click here](#)
- Are you a current student? [Click here](#)

APPLICATION AND ADMISSION

Nomination deadlines for the 2022-2023 Academic Year

First Semester (5 September 2022 - 3 February 2023): 15 April 2022

Full year (5 September 2022 - 30 June 2023): 15 April 2022

Second Semester (6 February 2023 - 30 June 2023): 15 September 2022

Student Application Deadlines for the 2022-2023 Academic Year

First Semester (5 September 2022 - 3 February 2023): 1 May 2022

Full year (5 September 2022 - 30 June 2023): 1 May 2022

Second Semester (6 February 2023 - 30 June 2023): 1 October 2022

For admission to the *Exchange Programme Social and Behavioural Sciences* we require:

- At least two years of academic training in a relevant field or 90 EC (Please note that for advanced courses having completed 120 EC will be required).
- The GPA should be equivalent to at least a C (ECTS-system).
- Non-native speakers of English have to submit one of the following English proficiency tests with the following minimum score
 - TOEFL (International) IBT 92
 - IELTS 6.5



- Language assessment in the Erasmus Mobility Tool: minimum B2 ECFR

NB: In some cases, we can accept institutional tests. If in your opinion the English test reports of your institution should be accepted by us, please contact us. As a rule, a test score is valid for a period of two years.

Application Procedure

- 1) We are using a nomination and application portal. You are kindly requested to nominate your selected students by using the information and the link to the UvA system that has been sent to you by email.
- 2) After having nominated your students, you will receive an email with a confirmation of your nomination(s).
- 3) After checking your nomination(s) your students will receive an email with instructions:
- 4) - to activate their University of Amsterdam account.
- 5) - to log in to the University of Amsterdam's application portal and to submit their application.
- 6) For non-native speakers of English: the official English test report can come in later (sent to us directly by the testing organization), but at the latest on Friday 5 August 2022

Students will be informed on their acceptance within 4 weeks after the application deadline.

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Academic calendar:

First semester: 5 September - 3 February
First Block: 5 September - 27 October
Second Block: 31 October – 23 December
Third Block: 9 January – 3 February

Second semester: 6 February - 30 June
First Block: 6 February – 31 March
Second Block: 3 April - 2 June
Third Block: 5 June – 30 June

Courses

Courses are mainly 6 ECTS (one block, 8 weeks) or 12 ECTS (two blocks, 16 weeks) and are mostly offered in the first two blocks of the semester. Students are expected to take a minimum of 24 ECTS per semester. A maximum of 36 ECTS per semester is allowed but not recommended since this is a very high workload for 16 weeks.

Students are expected to have an appropriate background in the field they choose. Most of the English taught courses are year 3 courses (final bachelor year); next to these courses there are some courses on a more introductory level as they serve as starting course in one of the minors. Next to these courses, students can take Bachelor's courses from the Exchange Programme - Humanities, with whom the Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences collaborates, or placement in courses of the BSc Future Planet Studies and in the elective courses of the Institute for Interdisciplinary Studies

However, Communication Science students will have second priority in these courses so participation cannot be guaranteed. Students are strongly advised to have alternatives at hand during course registration. Changes in course registration after the course registration



period will not be possible. When placement in courses of their choice is not possible we discuss options with the students individually.

The courses offered in the Exchange Programme Social and Behavioural Sciences are organized around the following research priority areas and research focus points:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Development and Education • Anthropology of the body • Anthropology of religion • Political anthropology • Anthropology of economy and ecology • Courses about a wide variety of regions • Communication and Society • Economic and financial geography • Environmental geography and planning • Political Geography • Urban Studies • International development Studies • Global Health, Care and Society • Global Migration • Urban Studies • Conflict studies • Gender & Sexuality studies • International Relations • Political Economy • Public Policy and Governance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comparative Politics • Political Theory • Middle Eastern Studies • European Politics and Global Change • Work and Organisational Psychology • Brain and Cognition • Social Psychology • Psychological Methods • Clinical Developmental Psychology • Clinical Psychology • Intersectionalities (class, race, gender & sexualities) • Urban Places & Social Problems • Migration & Citizenship • Health & Society • Education & Work • Globalising Cultures • Social Interactions and Interdependencies • Power, Culture, Identity • Society, Social Action and Inequality • Culture and Structure
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Updated programme information and course descriptions are available in the [Course Catalogue](#) after 1 June.

Transcripts will be sent to the home institution within 5 weeks after the end of the semester.



Our grading table is available [here](#).

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

General information for incoming students, click on the subject of interest below:

[Visa and permits](#)

[Insurance](#)

[Housing](#)

[Upon arrival](#)

[Student support](#)

Students with disabilities

Students with disabilities are advised to contact the International Office at an early stage in the admission process. Information on services provided by the University of Amsterdam is available [here](#).

Housing

The Exchange Programme will send students information on the housing procedures end of May and early November. In the past years we were able to accommodate the majority of our incoming students, but unfortunately not all. Housing for incoming exchange students is not guaranteed.

The rental periods are always fixed periods. Exchange students will automatically be assigned for one or two semesters (depending on the duration of the exchange).

Information package

Accepted students receive an extensive **Information email** from the International Office approximately 2 months before the start of the programme. This email contains:

- Instructions for course registration
- Save the date and preview of activities during introduction period

The Office for International Student Affairs publishes the UvA START Magazine, including practical information on studying in The Netherlands and at the UvA: [click here](#).

Orientation period

The **International Student Network** (ISN) of the Universiteit van Amsterdam organizes an Introduction period previous to the start of the semester: [click here](#).

The *Exchange Programme* organizes an introduction period for international student including a welcome meeting and drinks, academic meeting, lecture on plagiarism, and library skills workshops. for more information. See also <https://student.uva.nl/social-sciences: A-Z list: Exchange students> (information will become available later).

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➤ Prospective students are kindly asked to contact us by using [the digital contact form](#).