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 **Facultaire
Studentenraad**

Dear students,

Welcome back to Science Park. We've missed all of you and are hoping to hear more from you in 2019. To accomplish that, we will organise several free lunches and drinks. Also, our room will always be open for you. Another way to give your opinion and ideas for the Faculty is through the New Year's Survey, which can be found at our website (www.studentenraad.nl/FNWI). In this survey you can give your opinion about the cafeteria, a holiday in period 5, sustainability and much more.

The new year is also a time to look back on the previous year. In the last months of the year, the Quality Agreements were a big thing for us. This is the money from the student allowance which was discontinued and the money is now brought directly to the university. Many things will be done this year with this money such as community building, training for workgroup teachers, more support with study and things such as buying a laptop. Hopefully these plans will make the Faculty of Science a better place for all students and lecturers. When the lecturers are trained better, there is more place to study and new students get better support with their new laptops, we have no doubt that 2019 will be a good year.

Good luck this year with everything and especially with filling in our New Year's survey.

Yours truly,
The Faculty Student Council FNWI 18/19



More information? Visit us in room B0.112, send an email to fnwi@studentenraad.nl or go to studentenraad.nl/fnwi

'Quality agreements'

In 2019, the Faculty of Science expects to receive an extra €1.3 million from the funds that have become available as the result of the discontinuation of the student allowance ("Wet Studievoorschot"), going up to €3.0 million in 2022. To decide on how to spend the funds, the Faculty asked a committee consisting of five students and five staff members to come up with ideas. These so-called 'quality

agreements' include measures to increase personal attention for students, better career

Faculty of Science invests in personal attention for students

preparation for students and community building. Specifically, the committee

has advised to invest the funds in the hiring of more junior teaching staff, appointing coordinators for internships and graduation projects, creating common rooms for students to work in (following the example of ILLC's Logic Room), and more. The plans have been submitted to the Works Council and the Faculty Student Council for advice, with an eye to start implementation in 2019.



"Mentoring students inspired me to major in Education during my Master's."

Consuela Cambridge
Graduate of Molecular Sciences and Education

Come to the Master's Week

11–15 February

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Student assessor Stefanie Fijma appointed for second term

Stefanie Fijma will stay on for another term as the Faculty of Science's student assessor in 2019.

As student assessor, she represents the student perspective in meetings of the Faculty's management team. As such, Fijma has given input on developments surrounding the new building ASP942, the quality agreements, the joint degrees with VU Amsterdam and more. She was also part of

the delegation bringing a site visit to Groningen University in order to learn about their experiences in transitioning to an English-language university.

'In this past year, I've learned a lot about how things work at our Faculty and about policy processes, specifically in education. Next year, among other things, I will continue to be involved with further development



of the new building and the implementation of the quality agreements.'

New year's resolutions to get fit?

Check out all the possible options at usc.uva.nl.



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Monday 14 January, 12:00-14:00,
'Praat-met-de-raad' Lunch,
central hall SP904

Tuesday 15 January, 17:00,
Room crawl study associations,
SP904

Wednesday 16 January, 12:00-13:00,
BetaBreak, central hall SP904

For all events, check student.uva.nl