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Dear students,

The Faculty Student Council is working hard to improve the lives of students at the Science Park, but how does this work exactly? One of the rights we have as a student council is to give unsolicited advice to the faculty. The board is obliged to consider this advice and to provide a serious written response. This is how, for example, the education-free week came about. This year, the council also made some unsolicited recommendations; we will briefly tell you about two of our favourites here.

From our own experience and that of our fellow students, we notice that it is often unclear where we as students have to go with our complaints. Sometimes you have to go to the study advisor, sometimes to the examination board, the list goes on and on. This is why we have proposed to the board that a complaint desk be established at the Science Park. With such a desk complaints can be dealt with in a central place without having to go through a bureaucratic maze first.

We hear a lot of complaints regarding grades being late. In another piece of unsolicited advice we suggested that teachers need to notify students when their grade is belated. We also advised that teachers need to ask permission for an extension on the grading period which should only be granted when they have a legitimate reason. With such unsolicited advice we strive to give you peace of mind.

Kind regards,

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The Faculty Student Council FNWI 20/21

More information? Send an email to
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Let's go back to Science Park!



Good news: the measures regarding the coronavirus have been eased for higher education. The easing of the education at our faculty will take effect on Monday 10 May. The faculty aims to offer on-campus education for every student at least one day a week.

Only a limited number of people may be in the building at a time. It is only possible

to allow other activities in the building to a very limited extent. Activities such as one-on-one (thesis) tutoring and meetings will in principle remain online.

The general rules remain in force:

- Keep 1.5 meters distance
- Wear a face mask
- Stay home if you have symptoms (and then get tested by the GGD)

The University Library has currently realised more than 2,800 COVID-proof study places, including at Science Park, and is expanding this number further. All students can reserve a study place for (part of) one day per week.

Read more:



Coming up: Election Week 2021!

The elections for the Faculty Student Council and the Programme Committees will take place from Monday 31 May to Friday 4 June.

Why vote? The Faculty Student Council and the Programme Committees

help to improve the quality of education and the well-being of the students at the faculty.

The Faculty Student Council stands up for the rights of students and makes its voice heard during consultations with the Faculty Board. The

Programme Committees (that consists of students and lecturers) discuss the quality of education at the level of the individual study programme or cluster of study programmes.

Read more:



E S

Wednesday 12 May,
Eid al-Fitr (End of Ramadan)

Thursday-Sunday 13-16 May,
Ascension Weekend
(Science Park is closed)

V T

Monday 17 May,
International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia

Saturday-Monday 22-24 May,
Pentecost Weekend
(Science Park is closed)

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For all events, check student.uva.nl



Stay connected: set up your WiFi

Are you going back to Science Park? Then reset your wifi on your mobile phone and laptop. You can already do this from home.



How?
Go to wifiportal.uva.nl on your device. You can do this from home. When you log in to the WiFi portal, you will receive a new certificate. Arrange it immediately, so that you have safe and fast WiFi when you return!

DIVERSITY TALKS

Wanted: board members @ Diversity Talks

Do you want to lead a student organisation focused on creating equity in education? Diversity Talks is looking for board members!

Diversity Talks is a non-profit organisation strives to increase diversity and inclusion in every part of higher education in the Netherlands. They are currently looking for new board members. The application deadlines differ per position so check the website for more info. Note: Dutch language skills are required.

Go to diversitytalks.nl/vacatures