‘Enjoy the lovely weather’

It’s almost time for the summer holidays, and in September the new Student Council will be taking its place. With the elections for the new council already behind us, we’re currently hard at work showing the ropes to the 12 people who will be representing your interests next year. At the same time, we’re also rounding off a number of projects.

One of these projects involves the Teaching and Examination Regulations, which sets out the rules for students and courses. As a student, it’s very important to be aware of these rules, as they tell you what your degree programme can and cannot expect from you. These regulations provide information pertaining to, among other things, resits, marking periods, mark compensation and any admission requirements that may apply.

Looking back on this year, we can be very happy about all we’ve achieved – which you’ve been able to read about in previous editions of this newspaper and on our blog. But the door to the future is still wide open. In the wake of the protest occupations and the student council elections, the University’s staff, these task forces are considering and discussing issues such as the University’s profit-based mentality and institutional requirements that may apply.

We wish you every success finishing off the semester, and we hope you have a great holiday!

With kind regards,

Jorn Peters 
Tim Hoogeveen 
Thomas Adrian 
Dominique v. Poorten 
Jonas Lodewegen

to studentenraad.nl/fnwi

Dear student,

On 6 June, the winners of the UvA Thesis Prize were presented with their awards. First prize went to Roosmarin Goldbach, and second prize to Jarn Heinens. Both are students at the Faculty of Science. Congratulations! Brilliant science and education. That is what our faculty is about.

The 2014-2015 academic year is almost at its end, and many of you are looking forward to a well-deserved holiday after this exams. I would like to thank you for the many connections we’ve made in the past year. The constructive discussions, the heated debates, but also the many occasions when we put our work aside and had an informal conversation, have reminded me time after time what a special, vibrant community we are. As an academic community, we can be proud of our research and education, but above all, of everyone who contributes to make this possible. I wish you a fantastic year-end celebration on 26 June, a great summer, and hope to see you again in September.

Best wishes,

Karen Maex
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