



# To Dah Loo

About the UvA-VU collaboration and other scientific stuff

Especially made for UvA Science Students

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## *Facultaire* Studentenraad

Dear students,

The academic year is once more drawing to a close, which also heralds the election of a new Faculty Student Council (FSR). Soon, all students will be able to vote on the candidates who will form next year's FSR.

The FSR is still far from finished with this year's work, however. Its tasks still include the finalisation of the Teaching and Examination Regulations for the coming academic year, which outline all regulations that apply to the various degree programmes. Furthermore, depending on how positions are filled, we are also looking at the options for improving both involvement by student advisory bodies and the relationship between teaching and research.

Another hot topic at the faculty right now is sustainability. Where possible, the council wishes to introduce waste separation, and is currently meeting with the management team and building managers to discuss options. We are also looking at the best way to deal with sudden timetable changes, a source of irritation for students.

One example of a major project (and one that has been keeping the council busy for months now), is the Faculty Strategic Plan: the faculty-level specification of the university-wide strategic plan that outlines the course to be taken by the faculty over the next six years. To ensure a good-quality plan, the council is conducting meetings and has submitted suggestions for textual changes. We expect to be able to finalise the plan soon, so that it can serve as a guideline for years (and student councils) to come.

More information? Please visit room A1.26, send an email to [fnwi@studentenraad.nl](mailto:fnwi@studentenraad.nl) or go to [studentenraad.nl/fnwi](http://studentenraad.nl/fnwi)

## Improved information on UvA-VU collaboration

Students can now find the latest information on the collaboration between the science faculties of the UvA and VU on their degree programme website. Bachelor students will also receive a presentation about the collaboration in the weeks ahead.

### Downloads and reports

To improve the availability of information to students, all degree programme websites now include files with information about

the collaboration, such as the names of the core team members, the procedures followed and the planning. A variety of reports are also available for download.

### Presentations for Bachelor students

In addition, students from many of the Bachelor's programmes will receive a presentation on the UvA-VU collaboration in the weeks ahead. 'The NSE has highlighted communication towards students as a focus

area for years now,' says College of Science director Jeroen Goedkoop. 'To improve it, we are developing orientation programmes at all degree programmes. These presentations are one aspect of that.'

Visit [student.uva.nl](http://student.uva.nl), click A-Z on your degree programme website and select 'Collaboration (/Samenwerking) UvA and VU science faculties'.



**Event Announcement**  
A Taste of Tesla: June 17<sup>th</sup> 13:30  
Bridging Science & Society



**TESLA** Science Park Co.05  
ACE Venture Lab Theater  
CV Check Pubquiz  
More info + subscription: [teslaminor.nl](http://teslaminor.nl)

# EVENTS

**Wednesday 20 May, 12:00–13:00,**  
Central hall Science Park 904,  
BètaBreak

**Tuesday 26 May, 13:00–14:00,**  
Restaurant Science Park 904,  
Consultation hour with the Dean and FSR

**Tuesday 26 May, 17:00–17:45,**  
Brainwave, Student Colloquium

**Thursday 28 May, 17.30–19.30,**  
Room 0Z40 ACTA building,  
Debate on interdisciplinarity in research

A list of all workshops, conferences and events can be found in the Events list on [student.uva.nl](http://student.uva.nl).

## UvA Summer School

While the academic year is coming to an end, the summer period will see over five hundred students from around the world flock to the UvA Summer School. Here, they can pursue their studies in a wide range of disciplines while enjoying social and academic activities in Amsterdam.

The UvA Summer School offers high-quality and academically challenging programmes that will introduce students to a new academic discipline or



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complement existing studies. The programmes, at Bachelor's, Master's and PhD levels, draw on specific interdisciplinary themes in which our university excels.

In addition to programmes with an international focus, the UvA also offers a number of summer courses taught in Dutch.

For more information about the UvA Summer School, visit [uva.nl/summerschool](http://uva.nl/summerschool).

