What will your education be like?

Curious to know what education will look like for your programme? What will be provided online, and what on campus? You can find the current plans on your programme’s website. The exact format will be determined in the coming period, so keep an eye on the website. In any case, whether you are following education online or on campus we guarantee that all your classes and exams will go ahead.

More information for Bachelor’s students ➔

More information for Master’s students ➔

Travelling to the Netherlands

For the most up-to-date information on travelling to the Netherlands, please make sure to regularly check the website of the Dutch Government on this topic.
University locations

Chances are that you will be attending the majority of your classes online during the first semester. But hopefully you will soon also be able to wander around UvA’s lovely historical buildings and the vibrant campuses.

The University of Amsterdam has locations and buildings all over Amsterdam; large clusters are near the Dam square and Spui square (city centre), on Roetersseiland Campus and Science Park (East) and at the Amsterdam UMC hospital (South-East).

See all UvA locations →

What is life like right now?

Student life in times of corona

Our student ambassador Maria made a vlog about social life in Amsterdam during this global pandemic. Watch her video to see how the Dutch government measures influence a student’s life right now. Got questions about living and studying in Amsterdam? Chat with Maria and other international students on our website.

Want to know more about corona measures at the UvA and in the Netherlands?
Visit [www.uva.nl/coronavirus](http://www.uva.nl/coronavirus) for the latest UvA updates or visit the website of the [Dutch government](http://www.remmerswaard.nl) and [RIVM](http://www.rivm.nl) (the National Institute for Public Health and the Environment).

**ISN buddy programme**

Just arrived, and no clue where to go? Sign up for the ISN Buddy Program, and you’ll be matched with a local student that shares your interests and can show you around and answer all your questions about university, housing or the best places to grab a coffee.

**Health and wellbeing**

A healthy student is a happy, successful student. The UvA offers a useful overview of facilities related to both physical and mental health.

**A-Z list: health and wellbeing [→](#)**

**General practitioners practice**

UvA

**Dental care**

Looking for a dentist? Treatment at
As a UvA student, you are entitled to use the General Practitioners Practice UvA in case you have health issues that need treatment. Find information about registration and making appointments on their website, as well as information about the Dutch healthcare system in general.

General Practitioners Practice UvA →

Academic Centre for Dentistry Amsterdam (ACTA) is provided by dentistry students and supervised by qualified dentists. Not only does this ensure great quality, it will also save you a lot of money (about 65%). Check with your insurance provider which costs you can get reimbursed.

Academic Centre for Dentistry Amsterdam (ACTA) →

Living expenses

It’s a good idea to check your budget before coming to Amsterdam. Expect to spend about €900–€1,500 a month on living expenses alone, tuition fees not included. For a rough breakdown, go to the link below. Keep in mind that finding additional funding might not be easy once you’ve arrived. Most scholarships, for instance, have to be applied for while you’re still in your home country.

Read more about living expenses →

Loans for US students

The UvA is eligible to facilitate the US Direct Loan program (also known as FAFSA). These loans are available for US citizens, to help them finance tuition and other expenses while studying. If you wish to apply, please take into account that it takes about four weeks to complete a (regular) application. More information about the loans and application process can be found on our website.

Go to US Direct Loan Program →
University of Amsterdam

Editors: UvA Student Services. Contact us through the UvA Central Student Service Desk.

The Start Newsletter is sent to all new international UvA students from June to the beginning of September. Did you miss one? All previous editions are available online.

Images: UvA Beeldbank, Flickr and Unsplash

If you no longer want to receive this newsletter: unsubscribe here