



UvA Start Newsletter

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Your adventure is about to start!

Dear **student**,

Whether you arrive in Amsterdam shortly or are already settling in, we want to ensure you experience a soft landing! Below you will find **the three most essential items** that should definitely be on your to-do list.

There is **no right or wrong order** in which to sort out the items below, as long as you are able to check off each of them. By complying with rules and regulations set by the IND, the municipality, and the government, you **avoid unwelcome consequences**.

Checklist Top 3

Arrange your health Insurance

Dutch law requires all international students to have appropriate health insurance for their entire stay in the Netherlands from the moment they arrive. Check whether your current insurance covers your stay and if you are happy with what it consists of. Find more information about insurance, and details about a [webinar hosted by AON student insurance](#).

Register with the municipality

As an international student, you must register as a resident if you plan to stay in the Netherlands for longer than four months. In addition, you must register in the town

where you will live. The UvA has made specific arrangements with the municipalities of Amsterdam and Diemen for the easy registration of its students. [Check out the Upon arrival checklist](#) for a list of days on which you can visit them, and details on the documents you will need to bring physically to be able to register.

Collect your residence permit

The IND is organizing two days for students to collect their residence permits in Utrecht. You will be updated about the process to book a timeslot for one of these days once the IND has informed us that your permit is ready for collection there. It is important to make sure your biometrics have been provided to the IND to be able to participate in the centralised collection days. [Check our Upon arrival checklist](#) for details and updates as more information becomes available.



Check out the Upon arrival page for more guidance and all necessary details in our **checklist**. Also, find the **Upon arrival webinar** (on 15 and 16 August), info about the **general introductions**, and **ways to contact us**.

[Go to uva.nl/uponarrival](https://uva.nl/uponarrival) →

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