FACTSHEET AMSTERDAM UNIVERSITY COLLEGE



ABOUT AMSTERDAM UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

Amsterdam University College (AUC) is a joint initiative of the University of Amsterdam and VU University Amsterdam offering a small-scale and intensive, international liberal arts and sciences programme. All students live and study together on our international campus in Amsterdam East. AUC offers a wide range of courses in the sciences, social sciences and humanities. To learn more about Amsterdam University College please visit our website www.auc.nl

COURSES ON OFFER AT AUC

In the 2022-2023 academic year, AUC welcomes a group of University College students who will study and live the AUC campus for the duration of one semester: autumn (5 September 2022 - 3 February 2023) or spring (6 February - 30 June 2023). AUC has 2 available spots per semester.

The semesters at AUC are divided into one period of 16 weeks (September-December/February-May) and one period of 4 weeks (January/June). Students complete four courses of 6 EC during the 16-week period and one course of 6 EC over the 4-week period. It is possible to 'overload' and take 5 courses (i.e. 30 EC) during the 16-week period, for students who wish to leave early but need to complete a full workload. The minimum required course load for exchange students is 24 EC. Students wishing to take less than 24 EC will need written permission from their home university.

Incoming students may participate in all courses offered by AUC, provided that they meet the prerequisites. Courses at AUC are coded by major (Academic Core, Science, Social Science and Humanities) and by level (100, 200 and 300). For more information about the courses offered at AUC, please visit our <u>course catalogue</u>. All courses at AUC start with course code 900.

AUC courses have a maximum capacity of 25 students and enrolment in courses is subject to availability.

HOUSING

All AUC students are housed in a purpose-built complex on the at Science Park Amsterdam. Depending on availability, incoming students will either be assigned a shared or a single room. Shared rooms will come furnished, in case of direct tenancy from the housing association. In some cases students will be able to sublet a room (single or shared) from AUC students also participating in the University College exchange or going on exchange abroad, therewith leaving their

personal furnishing for the incoming student.

Incoming students are not permitted to live off-campus. For more information on the student residences, please see the following page: http://www.auc.nl/life-at-auc-students/campus/student-residences

HOW TO APPLY

DEADLINE OF APPLICATION: 18 April 2022, 23:59.

Interested University College students can indicate their choice to follow courses at AUC, by submitting the Inter UC Exchange application form to the international office of their home college by the given deadline. For information about the application procedure, please refer to www.universitycolleges.info.

Tuition fees or other (administrative) fees do not apply. Possible extra costs incurred through this exchange (i.e. housing) are the student's responsibility. There are no scholarships attached to this exchange.

GOOD TO KNOW

Six themes provide an orientation to the interdisciplinary programme of AUC: Energy, Climate and Sustainability; Life, Evolution, Universe; Health & Well-being, Social Systems; Information, Communication & Cognition and Cities & Cultures.

The liberal arts and sciences approach of AUC means:

- Every AUC student chooses a major before they start at AUC, this can be Humanities, Social Sciences or Sciences. Exchange students or visiting students do not need to pick a major.
- AUC teaches courses in all three majors, and there is also the 'academic core'
 which consists of theoretical 'Big Questions' courses, as well as research
 methods, statistics and languages.
- For visiting students there are opportunities to follow courses on a wide variety of subjects, from all majors, as well as the 'Academic Core'.
- All classes at AUC are small-scale and capped at 25 students, but for popular courses there multiple groups at various time slots
- Every student is matched to a lecturer, who will act as their "tutor". You will receive support and advice from your personal tutor throughout the semester.
- With all 900 students living on campus and a large study association (www.aucsa.nl), you will be advancing your personal and social development in addition to your intellectual skills
- AUC is a joint programme of UvA and VU, which means that your teachers could come from either institution, bringing in their unique specialist knowledge from their field.

INTRODUCTION PROGRAMME

The mandatory AUC Introduction Programme (Autumn: 29 August - 2 September 2022, Spring: 3-5 February 2023) is designed to get new students acquainted with AUC and its policies and procedures. During the introduction days, you will be given essential information and advice about studying at AUC. In addition, you will meet your AUC academic tutor and get to know your fellow students, staff and the city of Amsterdam.

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