

Information sheet, EMINTE, European partner universities

Name of university: University of Amsterdam
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Profile of the university (max. 15 lines):

A modern university with a rich history, the University of Amsterdam (UvA) traces its roots back to 1632. Today, with more than 30,000 students, 5,000 staff and 250 study programmes (Bachelor's and Master's), many of which are taught in English, and a budget of more than 600 million euros, it is one of the largest comprehensive universities in Europe. It is a member of the League of European Research Universities and also maintains intensive contact with other leading research universities around the world. Teaching and research at the UvA are conducted at seven faculties: the Humanities, Social and Behavioural Sciences, Economics and Business, Law, Science, Medicine and Dentistry, with programmes offered in almost every field. Over time, the UvA has risen to international prominence as a research university, gaining an excellent reputation in both fundamental and socially relevant research. The UvA's thriving doctoral programmes provide an excellent foundation for engaging in high-quality teaching and research. The UvA seeks to offer an inspiring international academic environment in which both staff and students can develop their talents optimally. Characterised by a critical, creative and international atmosphere, the UvA has a long tradition of open-mindedness and engagement with social issues, in keeping with the spirit of the city with which it is inextricably linked.

Websites:

Main University website: www.uva.nl

Website Undergraduate studies: http://www.uva.nl/en/education
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Website Master studies: http://www.uva.nl/en/education

Website PhD studies: http://www.uva.nl/en/research
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Website Post Doc fellowships: http://www.uva.nl/en/research

Website with information for academic staff: http://www.uva.nl/en/research
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Academic calendar:

Start and end dates of the autumn semester 2014 : 1-9-2014 – 30-2-2015
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Start and end dates of the spring semester 2015: 2-2-2015 – 31-8-2015

Examination period (s): Depends on the study programme
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Credit system:

Number of credits earned during one semester of full time undergraduate/master studies: 30
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Number of credits earned during one year of full time undergraduate/master studies: 60
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Number of credits required for completion of an undergraduate degree: 180

Number of years required for completion of an undergraduate degree: 3

Number of credits required for completion of a master's degree: 60-120
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Number of years required for completion of a master's degree: 1-2

Number of credits required for completion of a PhD degree: N/A
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Additional information about the credit system: The UvA has adopted the European Credit



Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) to measure student workloads. This means that credits earned at our University can in principle be transferred to other institutions in any of the participating European countries.
A full Bachelor's degree programme (BA, BSc or LLB) lasts three years (180 ECTS). In most cases, 150 of these credits need to be obtained in courses related to the major subject, with the remaining 30 coming from electives. A Master's programme (MA, MSc or LLM) has a duration of one to two years (60-120 ECTS)

Language of instruction / language proficiency
<i>What are the language/languages of instruction at your university?</i> English and Dutch
<i>What kind of language certificate is required for Erasmus Mundus students?</i> All prospective students must be proficient in English and should take an English proficiency test, unless you are exempted from this requirement. Exempted are: 1. Those who have obtained their diploma in Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, United Kingdom, United States of America. 2. Those who have obtained their diploma in a country of the European Economic Area (EEA), or in Switzerland. NB: If your prior education had been in Pakistan, you will need to prove your English proficiency.
<i>What are the minimum required scores for</i>
<i>TOEFL:</i> Students should have a minimum score of: 570 for the paper test 230 for the computer test or 89 for the Internet test
<i>IELTS:</i> Minimum 6.5
<i>Cambridge/Oxford:</i> Certificate in Advanced English (CAE): scores A and B+ Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE): scores A, B and C
<i>Other:</i>
<i>Are any mobility groups exempted from submitting a language proficiency test?</i> PhD, Post-Doc and Staff

Admission for students who are not nominated for an Erasmus Mundus scholarship
Will the application be considered for admission to the programme applied for even when the applicant is not nominated for an Erasmus Mundus scholarship? Yes, but applicants must then also do the normal application procedure for the programme.
Website for information about application procedures for full-degree programmes: www.uva.nl/en/education
Website about other scholarship opportunities (university and/or national level): www.uva.nl/scholarships
Tuition fees for undergraduate programmes: www.uva.nl/tuition
Tuition fees for Master programmes: www.uva.nl/tuition
Tuition fees for PhD studies: N/A
Additional costs for students (use of university facilities, administrative fees etc.): Visa and residence permit cost student: EUR 320 (2013 academic year) Visa cost PhD-PD: EUR 600 – 625 (2013 academic year) UvA fee for housing: EUR 265 – 525 (2013 academic year)



Practical information for incoming students and staff. Please provide an internet link if possible.

Welcome guide: <http://www.uva.nl/en/education/master-s/practical-matters/getting-started/start-magazine.html>

Course catalogue: http://studiegids.uva.nl/sqs/WebSite_en

Student facilities: <http://student.uva.nl/en/az>

Housing service: <http://www.uva.nl/en/education/master-s/practical-matters/housing/housing.html>

Language courses: <http://student.uva.nl/en/az/a-z/a-z/content/folder/language-skills/language-skills.html>

General information about host university/country (website): <http://www.uva.nl/en/about-the-uva/the-uva-in-amsterdam/the-uva-in-amsterdam>

Living expenses:

For students: <http://www.uva.nl/en/education/master-s/finance/living-expenses/living-expenses.html>

For staff/ researchers: <http://www.uva.nl/en/about-the-uva/working-at-the-uva/practical-information/finances/cost-of-living/cost-of-living.html>

Other useful information and internet links:

Practical matters for international students: <http://www.uva.nl/en/education/master-s/practical-matters>

Practical information for international staff: <http://www.uva.nl/en/about-the-uva/working-at-the-uva/practical-information>

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