

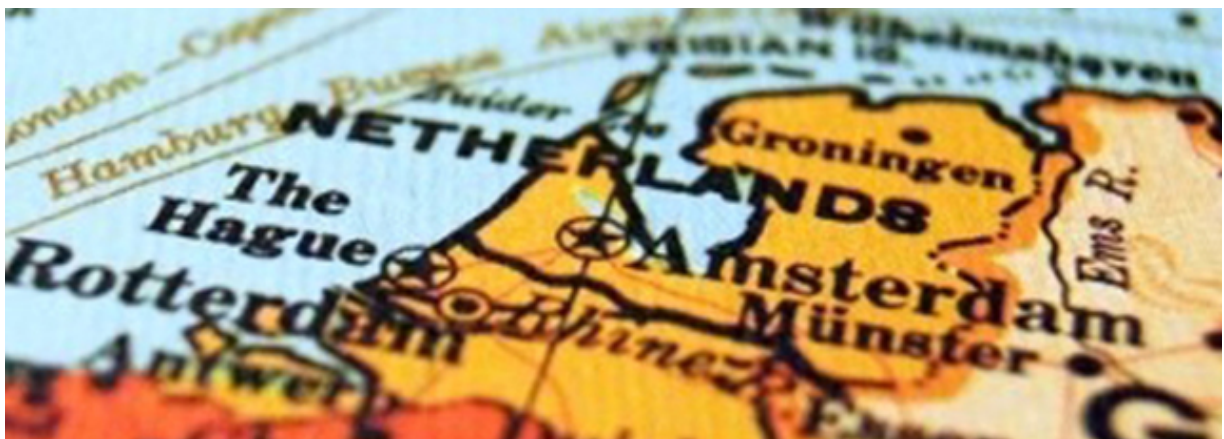


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Arrived in Amsterdam

Dear **student**,

The academic year has finally begun! Thousands of you participated in the general introductions, and walked the red carpets on a sunny first day. We hope you are finding your way around campus, have your books sorted and have already met some nice, like-minded people. In this final edition, you'll find some last tips for your time at the UvA. **We wish you all the best!**



Registration period at the Municipality of Amsterdam

Have you managed to register with the municipality yet? **The registration period is until Friday, 20 September** and is mandayotu. Don't forget this important item on your checklist!

[Find more information and details about the registration period →](#)



Become an international student ambassador

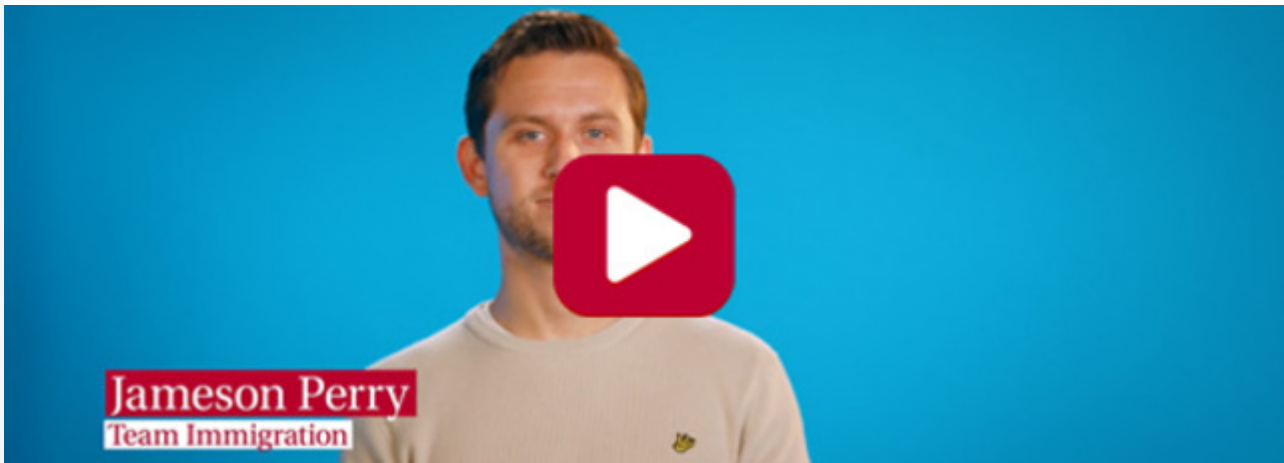
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Want to help prospective international students get to know the UvA? **Applications are now open** for our International Student Ambassadors team!

As student ambassador Julia explains in [this video](#), our ambassadors help make prospective students' lives easier by answering questions and sharing personal experiences, so that they don't have to navigate their UvA journey alone.

Interested? Please **sign up before 15 September**.

[Sign up here to become an ambassador →](#)



Study progress monitoring

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By Dutch law, you can keep this residence permit for the duration of your study programme when you obtain **at least 50% of the required credits for each academic year**. This also applies if you want to switch programmes, but keep an eye on the expiration date of your permit as you may need to submit an extension application if your studies take longer than you initially received the permit for. Study Progress Monitoring also applies to Premaster's students. A Premaster's programme must be completed within one academic year. A pre-master can only be re-enrolled in if a student receives dispensation, and the programme can accommodate you the following year. We will inform you of your progress and any steps you may need to take later in the year.

[Find more info about study progress monitoring →](#)



Success Strategy Sessions

By now, you've started your first courses at the UvA. Do you feel like you could use something to boost your study experience? **On 31 October and 2 November**, UvA Student Services will host a series of workshops especially for first-year international students that will help you kickstart your study skills and student life in Amsterdam. Learn more about successful teamwork, planning, or dealing with social blues, and share your experiences with peers. The programme will become available soon so keep an eye on the website!

[Check out previously hosted Success Strategy Sessions →](#)

Student charter and code of conduct

The Students' Charter covers various topics of importance to UvA students, such as rules and regulations, rights, and duties. Find more info about studying in the Netherlands in the [Code of Conduct International Student in Dutch Higher Education](#).

[UvA Students' Charter →](#)



Travelling outside the Netherlands

Perhaps you'd like to travel outside the Netherlands during your studies. With a Dutch student residence permit, you are allowed to travel within the so-called Schengen area. However, **if you would like to visit a non-Schengen country, you may need to apply for a visa at that country's embassy.** Please see below for the difference between a visa and a residence permit:

- a visa allows you to travel to the Netherlands
- a residence permit allows you to stay in the Netherlands

Your residence permit takes precedence over your visa, so you can use your valid residence permit to re-enter the Netherlands, even if your visa has expired.

[Read more about Visa](#) →



Working in the Netherlands

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Working during your studies

In Amsterdam, there are plenty of opportunities to add a little to your income during your studies. Regulations for non-EU/EEA students can be strict, so **make sure you know them before applying**. Select possibilities for internships or study-related side jobs can be found through [UvA Job board](#) (log in with your UvAnetID). The [information session for non-EU Students](#) ‘Finding a job in the Netherlands’, hosted monthly, can help you prepare.

After graduation: orientation year permit

If you are a non-EU/EEA student, you can apply for an orientation year permit. The Orientation Year permit allows non-EEA students to spend one year in the Netherlands to find a job after graduation. **In October/November 2024 and in March/June 2025 we have a special information session** on “Empower your journey: Study Progress, Internship, Work and Immigration Insights for non-EU Students”

Find all rules and regulations regarding work and permits on the website [Working in the Netherlands](#).

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You are receiving this newsletter to help you prepare for your study programme at the University of Amsterdam, once every two or three weeks, from June up to the first week of September. Previous editions are available [UvA Start Newsletter](#) (online pdf).

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