



UvA Start Newsletter | Special edition - 02 August 2024

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! In this special edition of the Start Newsletter, you will find **the three most essential items** for you as an international student to consider and take care of.

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

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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. You need to check whether your current insurance covers your stay and if you are happy with what it consists of. Our website provides more information about insurance, and includes details about a webinar hosted by AON student insurance on our website.

- Webinar Aon Student Insurance for EU/ EEA Students,
6 August 2024, 11.00-12.00 CEST.
[Register for the webinar](#)
- Webinar Aon Student Insurance Non-EU/ EEA Students,
6 August 2024, 14.00-15.00 CEST.
[Register for the webinar](#)

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 are going to 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 page](#) for a list of days on which you can visit without an appointment, and details on the documents you will need to physically bring to be able to register.

Please note: There is no printer available on-site so you will have to have your documents printed out beforehand.

Collect your residence permit

The IND is organizing three days on **24 August, 14 September, and 5 October**, for students to collect their residence permits in Utrecht. You will be invited to book a timeslot for one of these days once the IND has informed us that your permit is ready for collection there after having been approved. It is important to make sure your biometrics have been provided to the IND as soon as possible to be able to participate in the centralized collection days.

Please check our [Upon arrival page](#) 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 13 and 14 August 2024), info about the **general introductions**, and **ways to contact us**.

Go to uva.nl/uponarrival →

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