

AMSTERDAM FOUNDATIONCAMPUS



UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM

FOUNDATIONCAMPUS

Faculty of Economics and Business

The University of Amsterdam

The University of Amsterdam is a modern university with a rich history, providing a high quality education in inspiring surroundings. The University is a world-class centre for research and teaching and is committed to helping students think in an original, independent and academic way.

The Faculty of Economics and Business was established in 1922 and has around 5,000 students from all over the world. The Faculty of Economics and Business is conveniently located in the heart of Amsterdam, offering students the opportunity to gain a world-class education in one of Europe's most vibrant and appealing cities.

WORLD-CLASS RESEARCH

- The University of Amsterdam is ranked among the top 30 universities in Europe and the top 100 worldwide (THE World University Rankings 2012-13).
- The University of Amsterdam is in the League of European Research Universities (LERU) and a member of Universitas 21, a network of leading research universities.
- The Dutch higher education system has a worldwide reputation for high quality. Eleven out of 14 research universities in the Netherlands are ranked among the top 200 in the world by The Times Higher Education Supplement 2011.

INTERNATIONAL OUTLOOK

- The Netherlands was the first non-English-speaking country to offer courses taught in English. In 2010-2011 there were over 80,000 international students in the Netherlands.
- The University of Amsterdam encourages international cooperation and has over 2,500 international students and researchers from over 100 countries.
- The staff, student body, degree programmes and research at the Faculty of Economics and Business all have a strong and diverse international focus.
- In 2012-2013, there are 32 different nationalities on the international BSc programme in Economics and Business.

FoundationCampus is proud to work in partnership with the Faculty of Economics and Business at the University of Amsterdam to offer a high-quality university preparation programme for international students.



ENCOURAGING INDEPENDENCE

- The Dutch education system is student-centred and focussed on teamwork, making it easy to meet other international students. Studying in Amsterdam means developing an open mind and increasing your international orientation.
- The University of Amsterdam offers an inspiring international environment where staff and students can develop their talents.
- Students are encouraged to develop personally and intellectually, and learn to think in an original, independent and academic way.



WHY CHOOSE
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WHY CHOOSE AMSTERDAM

A VIBRANT CITY

- Amsterdam is the 12th best city in the world to live, according to Mercer's 2011 'Quality of Living Survey'. It is also one of the safest capital cities in Europe.
- There are over 177 nationalities in the city. The Dutch have an open-minded approach to cultural diversity and welcome international students. Although Dutch is the national language, most people speak English to a high standard.
- Amsterdam packs a lot into its relatively small size. It is a major cultural centre and hosts international music and sporting events. It is easy to get around, either by bike or public transport, and there are numerous green spaces. The beach is a 20-minute train ride away.
- Amsterdam Schiphol airport is a major European hub with flights all over the world.



HOME OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

- The Faculty of Economics and Business trains students for careers in research and leading positions in the public or private sector.
- Amsterdam was the birthplace of the world's first public stock exchange, and it remains a prestigious centre for international business today.
- The study programmes at the Faculty of Economics and Business benefit greatly from this real business environment, which is literally right around the corner.
- Some 286,000 people work in the financial industry in the Netherlands.

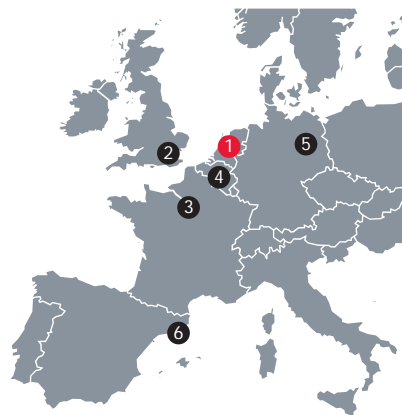


Amsterdam is a major financial centre and the home of many international businesses.



THE FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS AND THE SURROUNDING AREA

The Faculty of Economics and Business is conveniently located in the heart of Amsterdam, overlooking the famous canals. Surrounded by the history and culture of Amsterdam and within a short walk of the shops and restaurants of the city centre, this is the perfect base to enrich your student experience.



European cities

- 1 Amsterdam
- 2 London
- 3 Paris
- 4 Brussels
- 5 Berlin
- 6 Barcelona



Key to map of Amsterdam

U University of Amsterdam
Faculty of Economics and Business

- 1 Royal Palace
- 2 Nieuwmarkt
- 3 Spui
- 4 Waterlooplein
- 5 Central Station
- 6 Rijksmuseum



DEGREES

THE BEST CHOICE FOR YOUR FUTURE CAREER

The University of Amsterdam, Faculty of Economics and Business provides a range of undergraduate and postgraduate degrees taught in English.

Undergraduate degrees

Guaranteed progression* from the Undergraduate Foundation Programme to the BSc Economics and Business. The BSc Economics and Business is a three-year full-time study programme.

Year 1

All students cover, among other things, the academic undergraduate basics of mathematics, statistics, economics and business.

Years 2 and 3

In the second and third year, students choose to specialise in Business, Economics or Economics and Finance.

Study Abroad Option

In the third year, students who take the Economics or Business Studies Option have the opportunity to study abroad for one semester. Programmes are offered in almost all parts of the world at more than 100 leading international universities. Potential destinations include Canada, Australia and the UK.

Master's degrees

Guaranteed progression* from the Master's Foundation Programme to the following Master's degrees:

- MSc Actuarial Science and Mathematical Finance
- MSc Econometrics
- MSc Econometrics: Financial Econometrics
- MSc Econometrics: Mathematical Economics
- MSc Economics

All Master's degrees are one-year full-time programmes.

All of these degrees have been positively assessed by the Accreditation Organisation of the Netherlands and Flanders (NVAO). Upon completion of their undergraduate or Master's programme, students receive an accredited and internationally recognised degree.

*Subject to meeting the specified entry criteria.

QS World University Rankings (2011) placed the Faculty of Economics and Business in the top 50 for the disciplines Economics & Econometrics and Accountancy & Finance.



GUARANTEED PATHWAYS

PROGRESSION ROUTES

TO YOUR DEGREE

Undergraduate Foundation Programme (UFP)

Guaranteed progression* to Year 1 of the BSc in Economics and Business.

Starts: September and January

Terms: 3

Programme content

- Mathematics
- Economics
- Business
- English for Academic Purposes
- Dutch for Beginners (optional)



For more details please see the Coursefinder.

*Subject to meeting the specified entry criteria.

Master's Foundation Programme (MFP)

Guaranteed progression* to a wide range of Master's degrees:

- MSc Actuarial Science and Mathematical Finance
- MSc Econometrics
- MSc Econometrics: Financial Econometrics
- MSc Econometrics: Mathematical Economics
- MSc Economics

Starts: June

Terms: 1

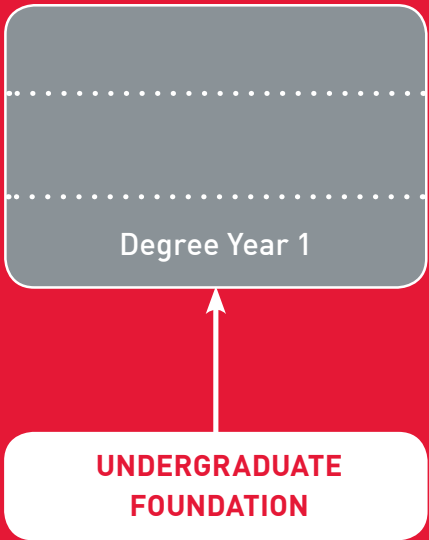
Programme content

- Academic English and Study Skills
- Research Methods, Data Analysis and Project Planning, leading to a Research Project
- Dutch for Beginners (optional)

YOUR ROUTE TO A UNIVERSITY DEGREE

-  University of Amsterdam programme
-  Amsterdam FoundationCampus programme

Undergraduate Pathway



Master's Pathway



WHY CHOOSE FOUNDATIONCAMPUS

FULFIL YOUR AMBITION FOR A TRULY PRESTIGIOUS DEGREE

Amsterdam FoundationCampus offers progression to the BSc in Economics and Business and a range of Master's degrees at the University of Amsterdam on successful completion of our Undergraduate or Master's Foundation Programmes.

COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAMME

- A comprehensive 25-hour-a-week academic and English language programme designed to ensure that you are prepared thoroughly for the demands of your chosen degree at the University of Amsterdam, Faculty of Economics and Business.
- Formal assessments throughout your programme so that everything you study counts towards successful completion of your course.
- Regular formal and informal feedback from the academic and pastoral staff to ensure that you are on track to succeed.





STUDENT PROFILE NAMOONDA HAANYIKA

From: Zambia

Studying: Undergraduate Foundation
Programme

"I wanted to study at the University of Amsterdam because it is one of the best universities in the world. I have found it very easy to settle into life in the Netherlands because the people are very friendly and almost everyone speaks English very well.

I really like the teachers and other students at FoundationCampus. We are taught within the University, and we can use all the University facilities. I really don't feel any different to a Bachelor or Master's student."

WHY CHOOSE FOUNDATIONCAMPUS

OUTSTANDING TEACHING AND SUPPORT

- Highly trained and qualified multicultural and multilingual teaching and support staff with experience of living and working overseas.
- Teaching staff often drawn from our partner university's faculty.
- Academic guidance and support from our partner university with seminars and workshops for our FoundationCampus students.
- A personal tutor for every student to help guide them through their course and ensure progression to their chosen degree.
- Regular tutorial meetings to help all FoundationCampus students gain the skills necessary to excel at a world-class research university.

LIFE AND SUPPORT OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

- A comprehensive induction programme in partnership with the University of Amsterdam will help you settle into daily life in Amsterdam.
- Our team can give you advice on visa requirements and opening a bank account.
- You will have access to the University of Amsterdam's extensive facilities, including computer centres, the University Library – including the Faculty of Economics and Business library – the University restaurant Agora and a trendy bar where you can meet your fellow students, Café Krater.
- The study association for Economics and Business (Sefa) has over 4,000 student members and offers students academic, career, international and social opportunities.



ACCOMMODATION

- The International Student Committee (ISC) at the Faculty of Economics and Business represents international students at the Faculty, ensuring student satisfaction and offering social events. www.facebook.com/febuva
- Students can take part in a wide range of sports at special student rates at the University Sport Centre (USC). These include tennis, fitness, fencing, karate, ice-skating, indoor climbing, hockey, volleyball, basketball, horse riding, yoga, canoeing and water polo. www.usc.uva.nl
- The University of Amsterdam has its own cultural organisation, CREA, with activities at special student rates in the arts and artistic education, such as courses, work groups and projects in drama, music, dance, photography, film, visual arts and much more. www.crea.uva.nl
- Full support is offered by the team at Foundation Campus to assist you in finding suitable accommodation, from university residences to private accommodation, before you arrive.
- Student accommodation is situated in several locations in various parts of the city. Some rooms are located right in the city centre, others are further away. Rent for single rooms varies from approximately €400 to €550 a month. Rent for shared accommodation is approximately €300 to €350 a month.



WHY CHOOSE FOUNDATIONCAMPUS

BE PART OF THE UNIVERSITY FROM DAY ONE

- The FoundationCampus centre is located in the Faculty of Economics and Business, placing our students at the heart of student life.
- FoundationCampus students receive a university student card, and with it you will have access to all the University's facilities, clubs and societies while studying on the Foundation programme.
- To get to know other students, the programme staff organise an introduction day for FoundationCampus students before classes start.

PREPARING STUDENTS FOR UNIVERSITY SINCE 1952

- FoundationCampus is part of Cambridge Education Group, the UK's leading university pathway provider since 1952.
- Cambridge Education Group has offered university Foundation programmes since 1985, and successfully prepares hundreds of students for university every year.



STUDENT PROFILE SAMUEL IGELNYK

From: Ukraine

Studying: Undergraduate Foundation
Programme

"I really enjoy living and studying in Amsterdam, it is a compact city and really easy to get around.

You can find a lot of things to do, whatever it is you are looking for. Amsterdam is very multicultural (in my opinion more than London or New York even). People are very friendly and straightforward.

The University of Amsterdam is a very good university and there are lots of University associations for students to join, and activities to participate in.

I live in University accommodation, and I am really happy living here. There are a lot of nice people who live there, including local students, and it is not expensive."



STUDENT PROFILE

JUNHAO FU

From: China

Studying: Undergraduate Foundation Programme

"I decided to come to the Netherlands because I wanted to study at the University of Amsterdam as it has a very good reputation.

Amsterdam FoundationCampus is preparing me really well to study my degree. I like the small classes and the teachers give us lots of time and attention, they are very helpful and encouraging.

Amsterdam is smaller and safer than other capital cities. It has a very nice culture, with lots of nice museums, parks, fresh air and a very calm feeling about it."



NEXT STEPS

STEP ONE

Submit your application by one of the following methods:

Online: www.europe.foundationcampus.com
Email: admissions@foundationcampus.com
Fax: +44 (0) 1223 346181
Post: Admissions Office, FoundationCampus, Kett House, Station Road, Cambridge, CB1 2JH

Please remember to include all relevant documentation.

STEP TWO

Our Central Admissions team will review your application.

- If you have provided documentation to show you have the academic qualifications and English language ability and meet all the entry requirements, we will send you an offer letter and registration form.
- If we have any queries about your application, our Central Admissions team will contact you for further information.

STEP THREE

To accept your place on the course you will need to send the deposit payment and registration fee as indicated in your offer letter, along with the completed registration form.

In your offer letter, you may be requested to send some additional documentation to prove you meet the conditions mentioned.

STEP FOUR

On receipt of your registration form and payment, we will confirm your place on the course and send you a certificate of enrolment to support your visa application.

We will also send you pre-arrival information, including how to book accommodation should you require it.

STEP FIVE

You will then need to apply for a visa if you require one to study in the Netherlands.

STEP SIX

You will need to pay at least the first term's tuition fees before you begin your programme of study at FoundationCampus.



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