

ERASMUS FACT SHEET 2008-2009

Universiteit van Amsterdam

Media and Communication Institute

Student's Information

Students are placed in the **Undergraduate Certificate Programme** of the International School for Humanities and Social Sciences (unless agreed otherwise in signed contracts*).

In order to be accepted at the International School students need to submit complete applications according to the instructions. The Admission requirements are stated below.

Important websites:

[Http://www.ishss.uva.nl](http://www.ishss.uva.nl)

[Http://www.studeren.uva.nl/Exchange](http://www.studeren.uva.nl/Exchange)

Nomination procedure:

Partner institutions are asked to nominate their selected students by **e-mail** to the Erasmus Coordinator, Heleen Straesser (H.M.Straesser@uva.nl) **before** the application deadlines given below. Upon nomination application forms will be sent to the students directly. These forms are also to be downloaded from the website http://www.studeren.uva.nl/exchange_courses/social_sciences.cfm

Admission Requirements:

The Admissions Committee of the International School for Humanities and Social Sciences handles all applications individually.

For admission to the UC Programme we require at least two years of academic training in a relevant field. The GPA should be equivalent to at least a C (ECTS-system).

Non-native speakers of English should submit one of the following English proficiency tests:

TOEFL minimum 230 (computer based) or 570 (paper based), or 88 (Internet test)
IELTS minimum 6.5, Cambridge minimum of B (CAE) or C (CPE).

The admissions requirements are applicable to exchange students as well and are included in the socrates contract.

The Admissions Committee does not exempt any students from these requirements.

Application Deadlines for the 2008-2009 Academic Year:

First Semester (September 1, 2008- January 30, 2009): **May 1, 2008**

Second Semester (February 2, 2009 – July 3, 2009): **September 1, 2008**

The International School cannot guarantee timely handling of applications received after the deadlines.

**This only applies to the networks in Labour Studies and Social Work*

Academic Information

Academic calendar:

First semester: September 1, 2008 – January 30, 2009

Second semester: February 2, 2009- July 3, 2009

Students can choose any course from the clusters in the Undergraduate Certificate Programme: *Asian Societies and Cultures; Conflict, Cultural Diversity and the Law; Culture and Modernity; Development and Planning; Dutch Society and Culture; Ethnicity, Migration and Nationalism; European Society and Culture; Gender, Sexuality and Society; International Relations and Globalisation; Media, Communication and Film; Politics, Governance and Democracy.*

Students are expected to have an appropriate background in the field they chose.

Updated programme information and course descriptions are available at the ISHSS website: http://studiegids.uva.nl/web/uva/sgs/en/p/62_sce_3096.html

in Spring 2008. Until then students can use the detailed course descriptions of 2007-8.

Practical Information

Housing: The UvA-Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Education will apply for student housing at the UvA Housing Department, but we cannot guarantee a room. Students will be informed on housing by the Socrates Coordinator approximately 2 months before the start of the programme.

Accepted students receive an **Information Package** from the International School for Humanities and Social Sciences approximately 2 months before the start of the programme. The Information package contains practical information on studying at the International School, course registration material and information on Dutch language courses at the Universiteit van Amsterdam.

The Office for International Student Affairs sends all students the Practical Student Guide and information regarding the UvA Introduction week for international students.

Orientation period: The Universiteit van Amsterdam and the International School for Humanities and Social Sciences organise an introduction period for international students and several orientation meetings at the start of each semester.

More information is available on <http://www.isn-amsterdam.nl> and the ISHSS website.

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