



# To Dah Loo

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This newspaper is all about the UvA-VU collaboration and other educational news

Especially made for UvA science students

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 **Facultaire Studentenraad**

## Dear students,

As January has passed so has the January blues. The student council is working full throttle, yet again. We hope the same goes for you.

An important topic this month is the implementation of the the conclusions of the Democratisation and Decentralisation committee. The committee presented the referendum results on the 25th of January, and we're pleased to note there was quite a high percentage of progressive votes, stating the faculty council should get more rights.

In addition to these conclusions the committee presented points for improvement regarding us in their report. An example is our relationship and means of contact with the academic community. Luckily, that's something we're always thinking about. Did you know that our general meetings are open to public? They're on tuesday nights at 18:00 in room A1.28. If you want to attend, please send us a mail you'll be joining. Also, you can find us in the central hall every tuesday and thursday between 12:00 and 14:00, where you can ask and discuss anything.

Another thing that's going on is the decision making on the possible relocation of computer sciences to the Zuidas. You can read all about this in the other articles of the To dah Loo, but if you have any more questions, worries or if you wish to voice your opinions, don't hesitate to contact us through [fnwi@studentenraad.nl](mailto:fnwi@studentenraad.nl), meet us in our office B0.112 or approach us at any time.

Best wishes,

The Faculty Student Council

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## Next step in housing programme for UvA-VU science collaboration

The Faculty of Science has been collaborating with the VU in the field of education for many years. More recently the faculty has examined whether a closer collaboration would provide more added value to our research and our education. Now the UvA and VU Executive Boards have agreed upon a housing programme for the UvA-

VU science collaboration in the Information Sciences and Physics & Astronomy domains, as well as the relocation of space research institute SRON to Science Park. The decision made by the Boards meets the wish of the science faculties to house research in the two domains in one location.

Support from students and

staff for the housing programme is important to the Executive Board. In the coming weeks, the representative bodies of the UvA and the Faculty of Science have the opportunity to respond to the plans.

If you would like to know more about the plans, please scan the QR-code.



## Faculty Student Council has advisory right on relocation of programmes

As part of the housing programme, there are plans to relocate research and education in the Information Sciences to the NU Building. In line with the agreed upon procedure in the Guidelines for choosing teaching location, the Faculty Student Council has advisory right on

the relocation of programmes. In this process, they are able to extensively evaluate the proposed plans and make suggestions on how these can be improved. Dean Peter van Tienderen emphasises how much he values this input. 'Advice from the Faculty Student Council is by no

means just for sports. It can lead to adjustments of the plans and is very important in further decision-making. They definitely have an influence here.'

### NOMINATE YOUR LECTURER OF THE YEAR



Which lecturer inspires and motivates you to do your very best? Let him or her know by nominating your favourite lecturer, before 28 February.



## Changes to Board of Studies regulations per September 2017

Boards of Studies (BoS) are to become representative bodies and will have approval rights on certain parts of the Teaching and Examination Regulations (OER) and advisory rights on other OER topics.

Going forward, BoS members will be elected rather than appointed, unless the dean,

the Works Council (OR) and the Faculty Student Council (FSR) jointly decide otherwise and state as such in the Faculty Regulations, for which both OR and FSR have approval rights.

The BoS will have the privilege to discuss proposed policies with the dean and their programme board at least twice every year.

### NEED A PROFESSIONAL PHOTO FOR YOUR CV OR LINKEDIN PAGE?



Drop by in the morning of 23 February, for a free professional photo shoot at Science Park 904.



**E S** Thursday 2 & 9 March, 19:00-21:00, **Career Network Events for international students**, CREA, Nieuwe Achtergracht 168

**V T** Wednesday 8 March, 12:00-13:00, **BetaBreak** in central hall SP 904

Wednesday 19 April, **Beta Career Event**, CASA400

**E N** For all events, check [student.uva.nl](http://student.uva.nl)