



To Dah Loo

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Dear students,

The student council elections are coming! From 14 until 18 May, you can vote for the Central Student Council as well as the Faculty Student Council. To help you choose which party fits your opinions on matters at the university, you can use the voting guide (see the article in this To Dah Loo).

Why should you vote? At both the central and faculty level, representatives from the student body have regular meetings with the board. They discuss subjects that concern students either directly (such as study places and the cafeteria) or indirectly (such as the university or faculty budget and diversity policy). These students belong to different parties, which have their own visions and priorities. To make sure your interests are represented, vote for a candidate that shares your views!

As for our year, time has flown by fast. We have asked some of our council members what they are most proud of:

► **Annelene** (Information Provision and Extracurricular Activities): 'We organised an Exchange Fair for the first time here at Science Park, together with Selma Kujundzic from the International Office.'

► **Femke** (Finance and Collaboration): 'Definitely the stunt for spending the study financing. We asked for input from the people whom it concerns the most.'

► **Babette** (Study Support, Facilities and IT): 'We put a lot of effort into improving laptop support and the updated recommendations per programme.'

We wish the candidates the best of luck in the elections. But before that, we still have a few months to go. We are determined to make them count!

Yours truly,

The Faculty Student Council

More information? Visit us in room B0.112, send an email to fnwi@studentenraad.nl or go to studentenraad.nl/fnwi

Idea contest garners 140 suggestions for teaching improvements



Last month, the Faculty Student Council asked for your ideas on how to spend the funds that became available as compensation for discontinuing of study financing. More than 140 ideas were submitted. Together with Rudi Rust, the Faculty's director of finance, a selection was made of plans that can be feasibly implemented in the upcoming months. Roos Slingerland won the bicycle with her idea to improve Bachelor's thesis supervision. Femke Mostert (chair of the FSR): 'The thesis is such

an important part of your Bachelor's. With more means and training for supervision, students can get the most out of their final project.' Other good ideas were: training lecturers in making classes more interactive, providing digital content to make course materials more accessible, and appointing a teaching quality coordinator per programme. The Faculty Student Council has recorded all the ideas that were submitted, and will look into the possibilities for future implementation.



MONTH OF FINANCE

Student Council elections: What to vote?

From 14-18 May, you can vote in the student council elections. During these elections, you can vote for one of the participating parties at our Faculty of Science (LIEF, Stout, Slaafs and Malou Sprinkhuizen) for

the Faculty Student Council, and for one of the parties participating in the Central Student Council elections (UvASociaal, De Vrije Student and Red UvA). But how do you decide what to vote?



UvA Green Office: waste separation is no money wasted!

Have you ever thought about the financial gains of separating waste correctly? Everything that cannot be recycled has to be burned, and this kind of waste comes with taxes. The UvA could save thousands of euro's each year if staff and students would reduce their amount of waste. It almost doesn't require any effort! Do you have an idea on how to improve the waste separation? E-mail us at greenoffice@uva.nl.



To help you make up your mind, you can consult the voting guide. By responding to a number of statements, you can identify which party's views correspond with your own. To visit the voting guide, go to uvaverkiezingen.nl/stemwijzer. This guide will be available in both Dutch and English.



**E S
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Wednesday 16 May, 12:00-13:00,
BetaBreak, Central hall

Thursday 24 May, **Announcement of Student Council election results**

Monday 4 June, 17:00,
Drinks with the Council (Praat-met-de-raadbordel), B0.112

For all events, check student.uva.nl