

To the bachelor students History year of arrival 2020-2021

Dear first year students,

History is a wonderful study. In the first year of study, you will be offered a great deal of knowledge at the various introduction courses. You will also have to acquire the necessary academic skills. In the later years of study, there is plenty of room for creativity and the student's own interpretation of the study programme.

As study counselors for the History programme, we would like to give you an impression of the study guidance for our programme. For the first year students a thorough guidance has been developed. This guidance is important because studying history is not without obligation. For the binding study advice (BSA), a minimum of 45 EC (credits) is required in the first year of the study programme.

On August 31 you start the academic year with an introduction. This is an introduction to the subject matter with information about the content and structure of the first-year study programme. Student mentors accompany the first year students during the introduction. You will also meet fellow students, tutors and get to know the Utrecht Historical Students Circle (UHSC), the study association of History students. Part of the introduction may be online. You will receive further information on the programme and which parts will be online. Presence at the introduction is mandatory.

In the first semester, students follow all courses in the same seminar group. This allows you to get to know your peers. At the moment it is not yet known which part of the curriculum is offered online and which part is offered on campus. Of course, as with the introduction, you will receive more information about this.

The lectures of the various courses are given by specialists in the field. In addition to these course instructors, there is one permanent tutoring teacher per seminar group who will guide the students throughout the year. The course instructor changes course by course, the tutoring instructor remains the same throughout the year for the student. During the academic year, tutoring is provided on a regular basis through individual interviews and group meetings.

The study advisor is also a fixed point of contact for the student. The tutor may refer the student to the study advisor in the event of complicated study planning or in the event of study delay due to special personal circumstances. The student may also come directly to the study advisor if, for example, there are questions about the binding study advice, about the examination regulations or exemptions within the study programme. If there are any questions about the introduction, the student can initially contact the introductory committee. In case of special personal circumstances it is better to send me a message directly as a study advisor via StudieadviesGeschiedenis.gw@uu.nl

Good luck in the coming year!

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