

## Amsterdam Summer School

The Amsterdam Summer School will be launched in 2014. Spend your summer studying a challenging and interdisciplinary topic in the vibrant UNESCO World Heritage city of Amsterdam. The Amsterdam Summer School offers small-scale courses in a wide range of fields at an excellent research university, VU University Amsterdam.

## About VU University Amsterdam

VU University Amsterdam is a comprehensive research university, consistently ranked amongst the top 150 universities of the world. Since its founding in 1880 interdisciplinary research questions from society have been leading in the education at VU University Amsterdam. Throughout the past century, the university has continued to expand. It now comprises twelve faculties and has teaching facilities for 26,000 students.

## **About Amsterdam**

Amsterdam, the capital of the Netherlands, is a historic city with a modern and creative feel. It is the most international city in the world, a true metropolis, bustling with student life. Amsterdam warmly welcomes visitors from all over the globe to explore its rich history and traditions and to experience its open and tolerant society. It is considered a very safe and friendly city in a country where English is widely spoken.

# Social Programme & Housing

To help students get settled during the first days in Amsterdam, we offer several services such as an airport pick up, information about visa and an orientation programme. Furthermore, the Amsterdam Summer School will offer an elaborate social programme from which students can make their own selection of activities.

Because Amsterdam is a popular student city, affordable student housing may be difficult to find. Therefore we arrange housing for all students who apply to the Amsterdam Summer School at the student housing campus Uilenstede. The costs for a room are included in the tuition fee. Accommodation is typically a single room with a bed, cupboard, cable TV and free internet. Linens and kitchen utensils are provided. You will share the kitchen and bathroom with other students, both male and female.

### Courses

The Amsterdam Summer School offers courses in two consecutive blocks, from 30 June to 11 July and from 14 July to 25 July. Students can combine two courses for a four-week programme. Most courses will include an excursion to a museum or institute, such as the Anne Frank House and the International Criminal Court.

#### Block 1 (30 June-11 July)

- Anne Frank in Amsterdam and Beyond
- Language, Cognition and Communication: The Case of Metaphor
- Reading the Bible in Amsterdam: Texts, Traditions and Interpretation
- Crisis and Reform in the European Union
- Comparative Criminal Justice: The Dutch Regulation of Vices
- Healthy and Active Aging in a European Context
- Global Health
- Practical Applications of DNA Technology

#### Block 2 (14 July-25 July)

- Discover Dutch: Dutch Language and Culture
- Syriac Christianity in Context
- New Venture Creation/Entrepreneurship
- International Criminal Justice
- Multicultural Societies, Global Cities, Local Diversities: Identity, Ethnicity and Religion in Amsterdam
- Human Movement Analysis
- A Practical Course on Protein Production, Purification and Investigation

## **Application**

The online application for the Amsterdam Summer School will open in November 2013.

#### Dates Amsterdam Summer School 2014:

Block 1 30 June – 11 July, 2014 Block 2 14 July - 25 July, 2014

The requirements differ per course, please see the website for more information.

#### Costs

The tuition fee for a two-week course will range between €1200 and €1350. If you select two consecutive courses and study with us for four weeks, you will receive a 10% discount on the second course fee.

Included are airport pick-up service, furnished accommodation, orientation programme, on-site support, 24/7 emergency assistance and a certificate after completion of the course. The social programme is not included in the tuition fee.

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