

# UNIVERSITY OF TWENTE.

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## MEETING CYCLE DECEMBER 2022

December 2022 was a full month for the University Council!

Two plenary meetings with the Executive Board took place on campus. At the first meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> of December the University Council and the Board talked about a few important topics like the communication plan on COVID-19, the Arbo Unie annual report 2021 and the O&O square design 'Langezijds and Kop' and bicycle parking.

At the second meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December a few other important topics were discussed: the support for students and staff from crisis countries and the vision on teaching and learning. Below is information on these topics, along with other issues that have come up for discussion.

Information on the HR policy plan 2023-2025, the long term strategic housing plan 2023-2032 and the concept budget 2023-2027 will be given in the February edition of this newsletter.

## UNIVERSITY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND EXECUTIVE BOARD

The University Council consists of 18 members: nine staff members and nine students. Four parties are represented in the council. For the students: UReka and DAS. For the staff members: Campus Coalition and list Weppelman.

For the academic year 2022 - 2023 the members of the University Council are:

### **Employees**

Herbert Wormeester (chair), Hanneke Becht, Pieter Boerman, Cynthia Souren, Emile Dopheide, Jacqueline Weppelman, Wilma Dierkes, Roberto Cruz Martinez and Frank Groot (Eline Marsman is on leave).

### **Students**

Tim Achterkamp, Robin van Zutphen, Maartje van Delden, Aarezo Sha, Fridtjof Otto, Sabin Kerwien Lopez, Milan Gomes, Jaime de Bruijn and Sander van den Berg.



### **Arbo unie annual report 2021**

The Arbo Unie provides the company doctor and the occupational health and safety service at the UT. They also monitor and report the general health status of the university employees, including comparisons to the situation in NL

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### **ENDING OF THE MSc SYSTEMS & CONTROL**

Although [the ending of the MSc Systems & Control](#) was an implicit and logical consequence of the successful start of the new Robotics Master, the University Council did not give formal consent upon the termination back then. The council was presented with multiple letters of positive advice to end this master track and did not have any objections either. [The Council](#) had some minor comments on the disclosure regarding termination, but these were noted and taken into account by the Executive Board.



### **O&O square design Langezijds and Kop and Bicycle Parking**

With the finalizing of the Langezijds, the Executive Board provided the University Council with a [new design for the O&O square](#) and its surroundings. The UC had many questions about the design and [decided to not consent](#)

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The University Council was presented with the [new bachelor EER](#) this cycle. The council [consented](#) with the EER only to have strong advices to investigate new possibilities for digital technologies in test assessment.



## International Dimensions

The UC received an update on the [International Dimensions white paper](#), action points, projects and roadmaps. The goal of this document is to give an overview of all international dimensions of the UT

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## Support for students and staff from crisis countries

As a reaction to lacking support measures given to students & staff from crisis countries in the last year, the University Council [proposed](#) the initiative to create one combined webpage

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## BSA PROCEDURE CPO

The [CPO committee](#) responded to an UC advice of last year. The CPO disagreed with the UC advice on meeting more regularly or changing the procedure to reduce stress for student. The council [now asked](#) the EB to organise and facilitate a meeting between an UC delegation and the CPO to prevent that both parties will keep sending e-mails to one another via the EB.



## Twente Pathway College

In the October cycle the University Council was presented with [an update](#) on the action plan of Navitas

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## VISION ON TEACHING AND LEARNING

This cycle, the University Council received the draft [Vision on Teaching and Learning](#) for the second time (previously called “Vision on Education”). The second iteration saw significant improvements over the first draft [Read the full article](#).



### Annual plan and budget plan SU 2023

The University Council was asked to give an [advice](#) about [the annual and budget plan of the Student Union](#). The UC was happy to see that the SU will focus on important topics for the student community of the UT,

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## NEW MSc PROGRAMME ‘HUMANITARIAN ENGINEERING’

The UC received an update on the development of a new MSc programme ‘Humanitarian Engineering’. This is a proposed new multidisciplinary master that includes engineering [Read the full article](#)



### Annual report CWI 2021

The UC discussed the annual report of the CWI (Committee for Scientific Integrity). This is a sensitive topic. On the one hand: we want to maintain high levels of integrity.

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### UT policy plan talent development for scientific staff

The University Council was asked to give advice to the proposed [UT Policy on Talent Development for Scientific Staff](#). The UT has been working on the Talent Development program for several years now, at university level as well as on a national level.

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## COVID COMMUNICATION PLAN

This plan formed an elaboration on the [COVID-19 Scenarios](#) that were approved by the University Council in the October cycle. [Read the full article.](#)



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