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The summer recess is approaching, and also during this period the University Council does not meet. During the Corona crises also the University Council was completely online, both internal meetings and discussions. There were two meetings in June: 17 and 24 June. A report of the most important topics in the past period is attached. We wish you a good summer holiday!

About the University Council 2019 - 2020

The University Council is the central representative body of the University of Twente and holds regular consultations with the Executive Board. This body consists of 18 members: nine staff members and nine students. The University Council influences UT policy at a central level. Five parties are represented on the council: UReka, Campus Coalition, DAS, the PvdUT and Dik Schipper's party ET. At the moment the following members are on the University Council:

Employees: Herbert Wormeester (chairman), Hanneke Becht, Jelle Ferwerda, Esther Hondebrink, Wendie Klieverik, Ivo Bijker, Dik Schipper, Gert Brinkman and Dick Meijer.

Students: Puck Kemper, Wouter Bolhuis, Tom van der Meer, Gabriel-Andre Damian, Lisa Veldman, Thomas Hazewindus, Laura Harks, Ivo Bruijl, Hamza Riaz.

STUDENT CHARTER



Student charter

Just like every year at the end of the June cycle we discussed the new and updated student charter. The student charter is commonly updated based on different policies accepted throughout the year. Let's recap on what has changed the last (few) years.

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EXTRA COSTS FOR STUDENTS



Extra costs for students

Back in 2018, the Minister of Education stated that programmes are not allowed to charge students extra costs for attending a programme without a free alternative. Examples of these are mandatory excursion requiring a fee or special drawing material. Books and excess to a computer are not included in this (the library is for free and you can lend a computer). This has been highlighted by the University Council in the same year with examples at the UT in which additional fees were required.

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SPRING MEMORANDUM 2020-2025



Spring Memorandum 2020-2025

Spring memorandums have the function to incorporate changes in the university's policy: how does it affect the distribution of government funds (1ste geldstroom) to the faculties and service departments for the year to come. The University Council (UC) was disappointed that the Executive Board (EB) did not translate several commitments, which were agreed upon last year, into changed allocations in the model.

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WELLBEING

Wellbeing



Based on several reports on wellbeing, such as the personnel wellbeing survey and the annual report of the ArboUnie, the EB presented a list of action points, ranging from training for “active bystanders”, guidance of PhD’s and leadership to improvement of the capacity management and of strategic personnel policies of faculties. The EB identified two priorities for the short term: leadership and (personnel) inflow policies and practices.

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SHAPING HYBRID EDUCATION IN THE 1,5 M UNIVERSITY

Shaping hybrid education in the 1,5 m University

The University Council discussed with the Executive Board the proposal Shaping Hybrid Education in the 1.5 m University, the major concerns of the Council are:

- How to mitigate and monitor the increased workload by especially the teaching staff to shape and execute education;
- The extension of the regular hours to evening hours to accommodate education on campus as much as possible (within the limits of the 1.5m university).

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