

Newsletter MSc Nanotechnology

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QUALITY ASSURANCE

All students have been added to the Blackboardsite of the Quality Assurance and Evaluation Nanotechnology. On this site you can find different items regarding the quality assurance of the programme. Please be aware that it is still work in progress.

The first courses have been evaluated using the online system EvaSys. Thank you for filling in the evaluations and please make sure to fill in the evaluations of last quarter. Below you find a short summary of the reactions of the lecturers.

Evaluation Characterization of Nanostructures

In reaction of the evaluation, next year there will be carefully checked for possible redundancies. Also the planning of the project will be changed. The intent is to start earlier with the project to give more room for feedback.

Evaluation Nanoscience

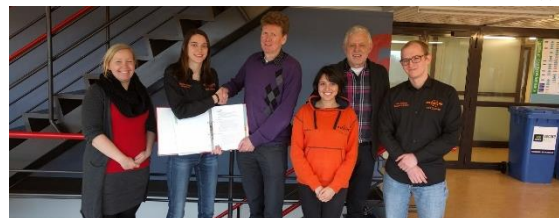
The criticism of (some) of the students regarding the level of the course is fully understandable and also fully justified. Since students with different backgrounds are enrolled in the master Nanoscience it is unavoidable that some students find the course rather simple, whereas others

encounter severe problems in catching up with their fellow students. This has been an issue for quite some years and therefore one of the lecturers has decided to set up an introduction course for Nanoscience. This short course of only two credit points is tailor-made for students that have no, or almost no, knowledge on quantum mechanics. It is evident that a two credit point course is insufficient to repair all the quantum mechanics related deficiencies, but it is an attempt to fix/repair the main quantum mechanics related deficiencies before the actual course Nanoscience starts.

The remark of the students regarding the small size of the whiteboards is a very important and valid point. Next year we will try to make sure that there is a proper size whiteboard available. *Harold Zandvliet*

STUDY ASSOCIATION

As of February 14th 2017 Astatine is the official study association of the Nanotechnology programme. Astatine organizes among others colloquia, activities and excursions. Some of you are already a member, if you are not please make sure to become a member (by filling in the membership form which is available in the board room (HT711)).



If you want to know more about Astatine, just come to the board room. They are happy to tell you more about what they are doing and what they can do for you.

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PRESENCE PROGRAMME

COORDINATOR

As of February the Programme Coordinator Alexandra Elbersen is back from her maternity leave. She will be present at the university from Monday till Thursday. You can find her in Horsttoren room 613.

PANEL MEETING STUDENTS

On March 8th the first student panel meeting will take place. Panel meetings will be held every semester. The location will be announced later. It will take place during the lunch break and lunch will be provided. We hope to see a lot of students!

GUEST LECTURE ASML

On March 28th 2017 Astatine organizes a guest lecture from ASML. The guest speaker is Prof. Jos Benschop. The lecture will be scheduled and you can find the room at your schedule.

ARTICLE "SOCIETY IS PART OF THE EQUATION"

In her article "Society is part of the equation" Nanotechnology-alumnus Verena Schulze Greiving describes her own experiences with not considering the societal implications of her PhD research and how she developed a toolbox with her colleague Kornelia Konrad during her postdoc research to help researchers in exploring the societal implications of their research. The full article can read here: <http://rdcu.be/o33s>.

FRAUD

Please make sure that you are aware of the rules regarding fraud and the consequences of fraud.

It is for example not allowed:

- to use material which is not permitted by the examiner;
- to cheat during the test (e.g. by the use of unauthorized material) or to commit forgery,
- to plagiarize.

Consequences can be:

- to not be allowed to take one or more tests, examinations or final examinations for a certain period of time (determined by the Board of Examination) for a maximum of one year;
- or to permanently be expelled.

The entire rules regarding fraud can be found on the website in the Rules of the Board of Examiners, article 6.

NATIONAL STUDENT SURVEY

The National Student Survey (Nationale Studenten Enquête; NSE) is the ultimate opportunity to share your opinion about the Nanotechnology programme. Every student in the Netherlands receives an invitation by mail to fill out the survey. If you not yet received an invitation, please have a look at this website:

<https://www.studiekeuze123.nl/take-the-national-student-survey>.

You can fill in the survey until 12 march.

If you have any question, please contact Alexandra Elbersen (a.s.grote@utwente.nl).