

STUDENT COUNCIL

NAVIGATING YOUR ACADEMICS

24th of August 2024



LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES 101



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INTRODUCTION TO UCSC





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CURRICULUM BUILDING FOR DUMMIES

ACADEMIC DISCIPLINES AND TRACKS AT UCU

HUMANITIES

Art History & Museum Studies

China Studies

History

Language and Culture

Linguistics

Literature and Classics

Media Studies

Performance Studies

Philosophy

Religious Studies

SOCIAL SCIENCE

Anthropology

Economics

Geography

Law

Political Science

Psychology

Sociology

SCIENCE

Biology

Chemistry

Cognitive Neuroscience

Earth and Environment

Mathematics

Medical Sciences

Physics

TALK TO YOUR NEIGHBOR! ABOUT THEIR TRACK IDEAS, THEIR CURRICULUM PLANS, ETC

Don't worry: it is okay not to know what you want to do yet!

CURRICULUM BUILDING FOR DUMMIES

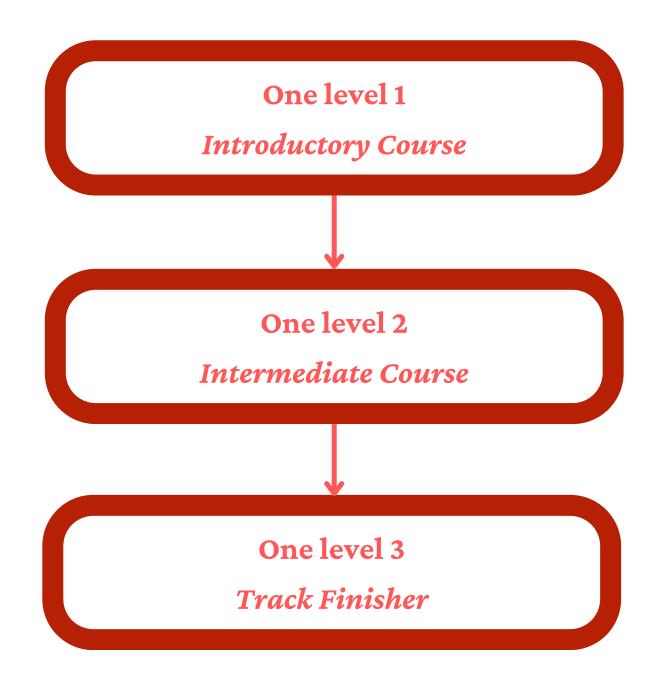
A MAJOR CONSISTS OF...

At least 2 tracks in *one* domain (most common choice)

OR

At least 2 tracks in *two different* domains (inter-domain major)

ONE TRACK CONSISTS OF...



UCU AT A GLANCE

Fall SemesterSept-Dec4 coursesWinter TermJanuaryOpt. 1Spring SemFeb-May4 coursesSummer TermJuneOpt. 1

UCU Bachelor Degree

- 6 semesters
- 3 years
- 8 courses per year
- 60 ECTS per year

UCU REQUIREMENTS

60 ECTS per year

FOR ALL FIRST YEARS

- Research in Context
- One HUM course
- One SCI course
- One SSC course

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

- Language and Culture
 - Lvl 1 for bilingual students
 - Lvl 2 for monolingual students
- Options available
 - Arabic
 - Chinese
 - o Dutch
 - French
 - Italian
 - German
 - Latin
 - Spanish

Completed
by 4th
Semester

Language
Exam to skip
levels!

METHODOLOGY REQUIREMENT

- Research in Context
- For SSC
 - Research in Practice
 - One more methodology
 course at level 2
- For SCI
 - 3 consecutive lab courses
 - 1 math course
- For HUM
 - Depends on your track
 - Check the UCU website!

COMMON CHALLENGES

Time clash or course full?

- Try again next semester or next year
- Find alternatives at UCU, UU, or another university!

Course taught only in spring or in fall?

- Plan your curriculum well in advance!
- Find alternatives at UCU, UU, or another university!

Not sure you meet the requirements?

- Pay attention to requirements, especially with methodology courses
- Approach us and/or the teacher, exceptions are possible!

EXTRA OPTIONS AT UCU

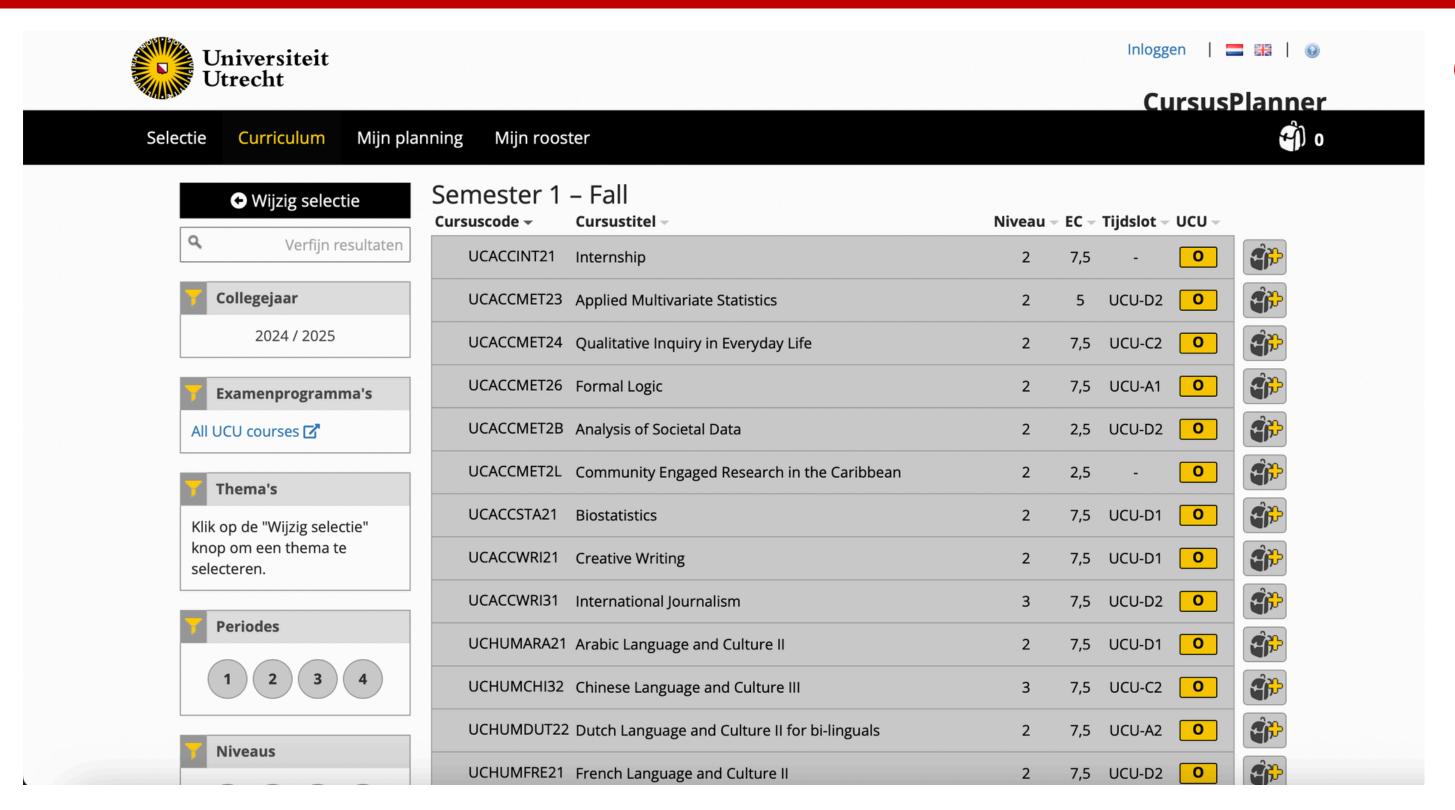
Minor

4 courses in a track, including one level 3 course

Exchange

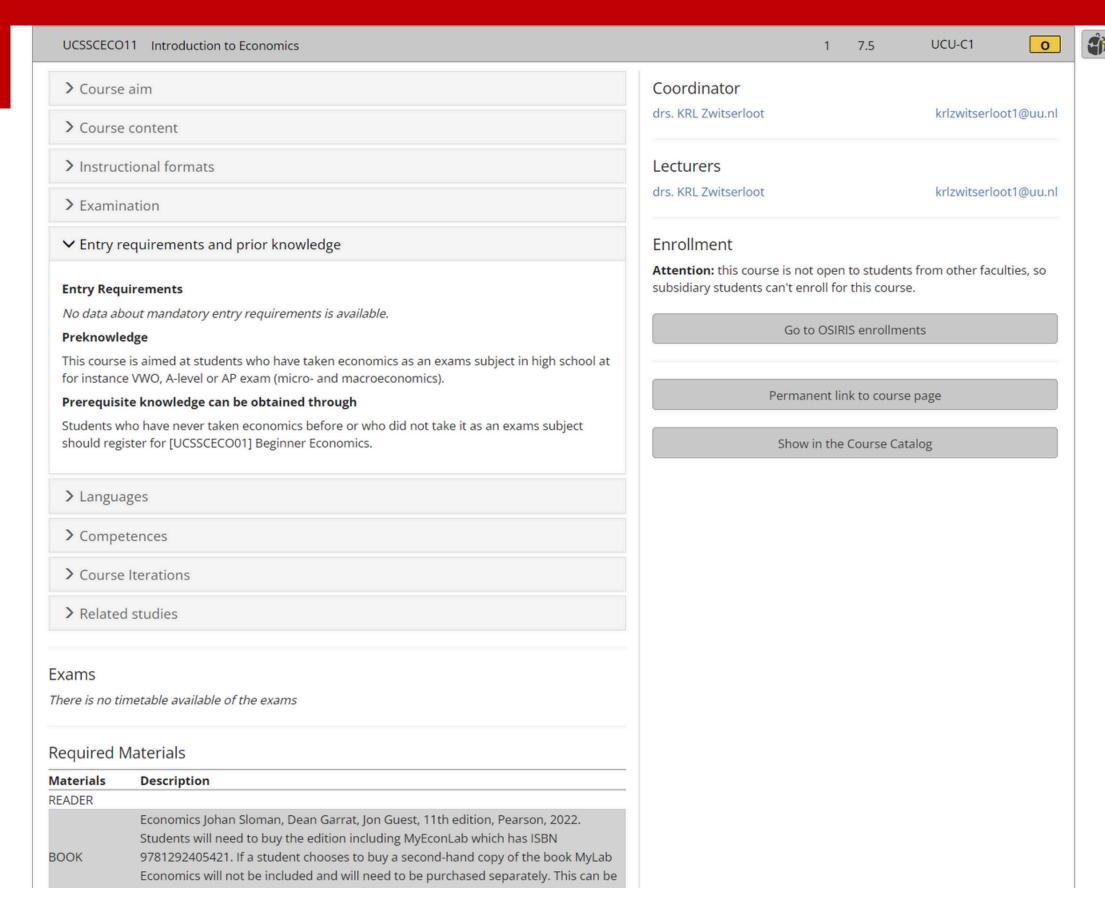
List of exchange locations on our website!
Look out for infosessions

Join our next workshop for more info!!



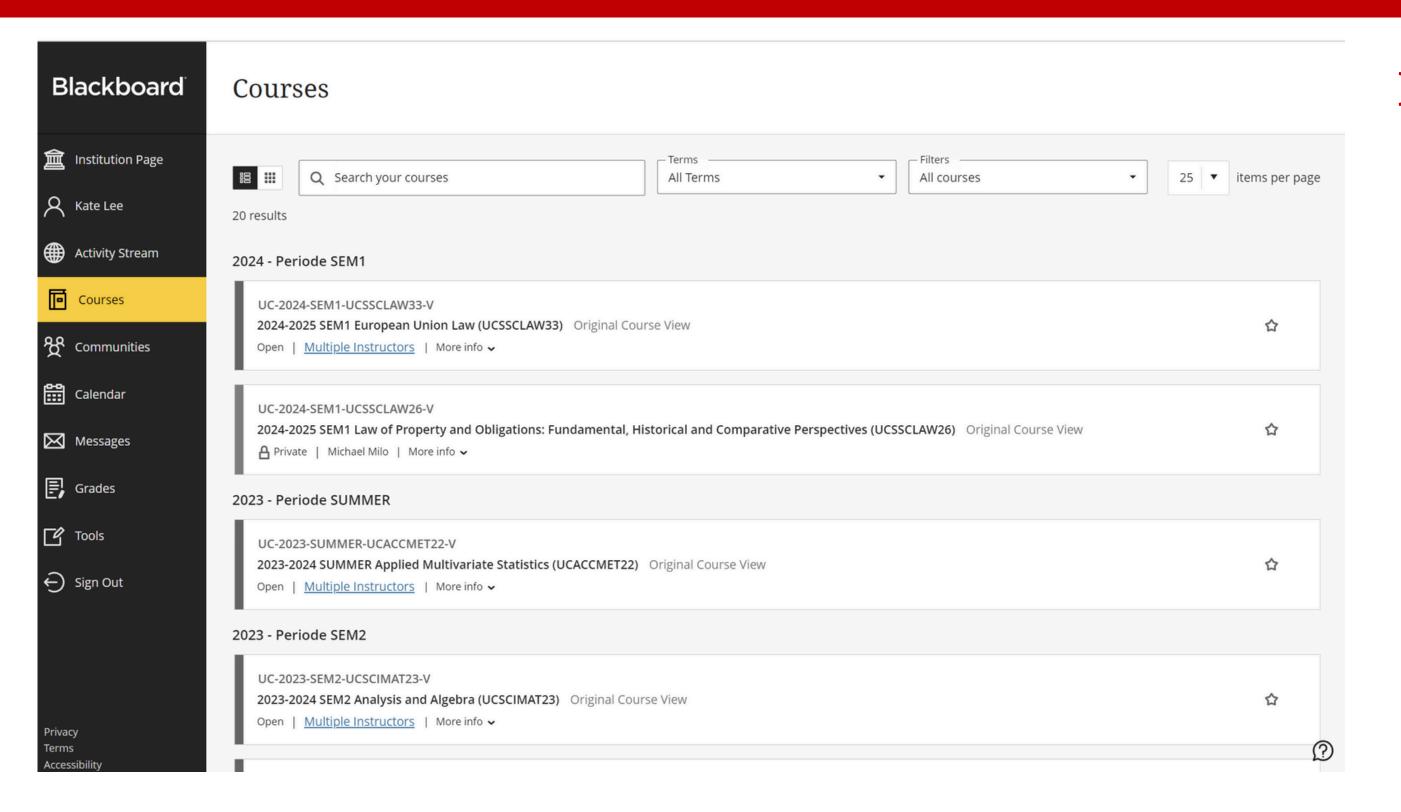
Cursus Planner

- Information on all the UCU
 courses
- Levels and timeslots



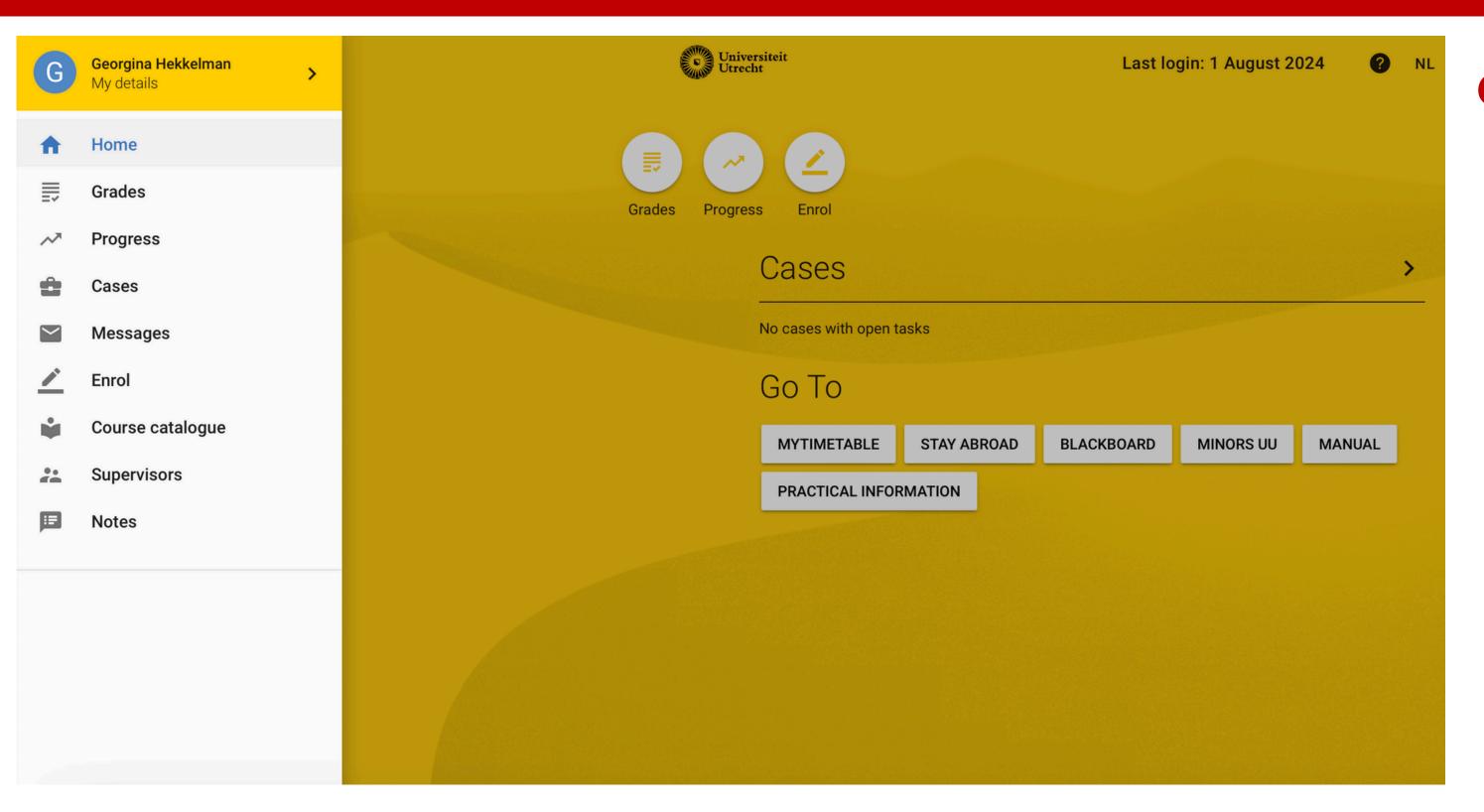
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Blackboard

- Information on your courses
 - Check yournew courses
- Upload assignments
- Announcements



Osiris

- Pre-enroll in courses.
 - Check yourGuaranteed Courses!
- Check yourTutor!!
- See your grades
- Submit cases



MyUU

- Check your
 timetable and class
 location for next
 week!
- Checking your results
- Student Card









Results







More

Drop form

 If you still want to try and request a course change after your classes have started, you can do so between Monday 26
 August and Wednesday 28
 August, 7PM.

USEFUL RESOURCES AND GROUPS

Tutors!

Track Reps & Fellows

Academic Rules & Regulations

Teachers

Connect Centre

FLISS

Neurodivergent students group

Science student assistants

WHERE TO FIND RESOURCES

Finding books

- FLISS book sale
- Ask the professor if the physical version is necessary, look online
- UCU end of year sales Facebook page
- Look at Bol.com or Amazon.nl

UCU website

- Information on minors
- Curriculum enrichment
- Exchange
- How-to guides on navigating academics

JOIN OUR NEXT PRESENTATION!

UCSC OFFICE HOURS



Office Hours:

Monday 18h-19h Wednesday 18h-19h All week next week!

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REMEMBER: CHANGING PLANS IS OKAY!

ANY QUESTIONS?

CURRICULUM EXAMPLE

SEM1	winter term	SEM2	summer term	SEM3	winter term	SEM4	summer term	SEM5	winter term	SEM6

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