



# JOIN THE ACADEMIC BUDDY PROGRAMME

Would you like to help a fellow (international/UU) student to get acquainted with local or your exchange destination (educational) practices, traditions and habits, as well as work on your language skills and intercultural competences?  
Sign up for the [Academic Buddy Programme!](#)

The **Academic Buddy Programme** is a curriculum for **international and local students**. This programme matches (international) students who come to study in Utrecht with students already studying at Utrecht University (UU)/University College Utrecht (UCU). A part of these UU/UCU students will soon go study abroad themselves.

### Why an Academic Buddy?

As **Academic Buddies** you can help each other by getting to know your new or prospective domicile abroad, and the local (academic) traditions and habits, as well as work on/improve your language skills and intercultural competences (by peer feedback).

The programme offers **several activities** of which two are obligatory: [Meet your Academic Buddy Event](#) (incl workshop Intercultural Communication), 23 September 2020 & [Food for Thought Activity](#), 13 January 2021.

The programme cooperates with the student organisation **BuddyGoDutch**, which organises a variety of social activities open to all Academic Buddies.

### Extra option: become a Language Assistant!

If besides being an Academic Buddy, you (as UU/UCU/international student) want to offer more extensive help, you can add to this role a role as **Language Assistant (LA)**: you can help one or more students with their written and/or oral skills in your mother tongue(s) by providing them with peer feedback. It is possible to receive EC for this role. Please check the EC requirements [here](#).

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT?

- International students who follow their **degree** at Utrecht University (faculties of HUM, LEG or FSBS) will be matched to a UU/UCU student who will go on exchange next Semester to your **home destination** (university, city or country).

## DUTCH UU/UCU STUDENT?

- UU/UCU students who **will go abroad the next Semester** will be matched to international students from their **exchange destination** (university, city or country), who have come to study at UU/UCU.
- UU/UCU students who would like to become an Academic Buddy, but are **not going to study abroad**, will be matched to international students who have come to study at UU/UCU based on their **country or language interests**.

## MATCHING :

- September 2020
- First Event: *Meet your Academic Buddy Event* (23 Sept. 2020)

## SIGN UP HERE

DEADLINE SEMESTER I:  
8 SEPTEMBER 2020

## INFORMATION

[www.uu.nl/academic-buddy](http://www.uu.nl/academic-buddy)