

Career orientation

What you can do yourself



REFLECTION ON & DEVELOPMENT OF YOURSELF AS A PROFESSIONAL

- Explore your options through information meetings on the optional course profile (minor, internship, studying abroad) and the Honours track
- Find out more about the Master's programmes through open days and career prospects on the Master's websites
- Find out what interests you through lectures, workshops and events (e.g. [Studium Generale](#))
- Find out what qualities you have and develop skills through volunteering, a side job or board/committee work
- Participate in a [Skills Lab](#) workshop to develop your skills: e.g. presenting, debating, pitching, graphic design
- Become a [Language Assistant](#) and learn how you can use your linguistic knowledge to help others
- Make an appointment with your coordinator career orientation or the career officer
- Year 3: participate in one of the workshops on Self-analysis for Career Orientation organised by Career Services
- Take the [online tests](#) offered by Career Services



EXPLORING THE JOB MARKET & NETWORKING

- Take part in [Your Perspective](#) (monthly): alumni talk about their work
- Attend the [Humanities Career Night](#) for workshops, alumni and inspiration
- Explore possible careers on Master's websites
- Go on the field visits organised by your programme or Euphorion
- Attend alumni events organised by your programme or Euphorion
- Get involved in activities, read blogs or sign up for the newsletters of interesting organisations or (professional) associations (e.g. [Het Literatuurhuis/ILFU](#) or [Savannah Bay](#))
- Find out where alumni work with the [alumni tool on LinkedIn](#)
- Join the LinkedIn group [Utrecht University Literary Studies](#)
- Look at job ads: what knowledge and skills are required? (e.g. through [UU Job Board](#), [Humanities Internship Database](#), [cultural vacancies](#), etc.)
- Year 3: participate in Career Services workshops on *Exploring the Job Market and Networking* or *LinkedIn (Advanced)*
- Year 3: learn more about [networking](#) through Career Services



PROFILING & APPLYING FOR A JOB

- Year 3: have your CV and/or (internship) application letter checked by the career officer
- Year 3: participate in a workshop on *Writing a CV and Cover Letter* organised by Career Services
- Year 3: submit a mock application to the career officer
- Watch instructional videos produced by Career Services

in the Bachelor Literary Studies

What the programme offers you

CONTACT WITH THE FIELD

- Lectures/talks with guest speakers (professionals)
- Go on the industry visits organised by Euphorion
- From year 2 onwards, you can do an **internship**. Make sure you attend the internship information meeting
- The course **Knowledge for Society** or the **internship minor** can help you connect theory and practice



CONTACT WITH ALUMNI

- Alumni regularly attend activities organised in conjunction with Euphorion
- The degree programme has a **LinkedIn group** for alumni which students can join



ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- You will be trained to think, act and communicate in an academic way (e.g. writing, reasoning and presentation), to communicate appropriately with different audiences and to analyse literary texts (see **EER**)
- In the *Republic of Letters* module (year 3) you will acquire practical knowledge and skills which will prove useful in a wide range of potential roles in the literary field (writer, policy maker, critic, researcher, etc.)
- Do an internship (abroad)! Acquire professional skills and practical experience and put your academic skills into practice (in a practical or research-based placement)



REFLECTION ON QUALITIES, INTERESTS AND MOTIVATION

- Choices in your major and optional course profile to find out what interests you and what qualities you have
- Careers activities in tutoring sessions or an individual meeting with your tutor



INFORMATION ON FUTURE OPTIONS

- Explore **related Master's programmes** and **career perspectives**



USEFUL CONTACTS

Your Perspective

students.uu.nl/en/hum/personal-development/career-services/your-perspective

Humanities Career Night

carrierenachtgw.nl/en/

Coordinator career orientation

Name: Karen Schoutsen

Appointments: **book an appointment**

Career officer

Name: Kristella Hak

Appointments: **book an appointment**

Career Services

students.uu.nl/en/careerservices

Study Association SV Euphorion

sveuphorion.wordpress.com

