Welcome!

Q&A session North America
Introduction...

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Exchange Coordinator North America

Today’s plan:

• A few questions I have for you
• Short explanation of the application procedure
• Pitch by Milou van Veen: USA - University of California – Santa Barbara
• Pitch by Jay Mahn: Canada - University of Victoria
• Region specific information
• Asking questions
Contact details

Questions about your exchange?

- **Office hours via TEAMS** – book an appointment via the exchange contact page
- **Telephone office hours** – Tuesdays and Thursdays, 14:00–15:30 (030–253 1224)
- **Email**: region2@uu.nl or exchange@uu.nl
Faculty vs. University-wide exchange

Available only for specific study programs (Faculty)

• Mainly European destinations
• Faculty/departmental
• Exchange by field of study

Available to all UU students (University-wide)

• Globally
• All students
• Wide variety courses

Berkeley Campus – pictures by Cathelijne van Weelden
Do you want to expand your horizons and take on an extra challenge during your studies? Do you want to widen your opportunities in the labour market, in the Netherlands and abroad? A great way to do this is to follow a part of your studies at a university in a different country. It is a fantastic and unforgettable time, a strong addition to your CV and also great for your personal development.
Summary and student experiences

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**Semester I:** 1st week of September to 3rd week of December

**Semester II:** 1st week of January to 3rd week of April

Orientation generally commences the 1st week of September for Semester I and the 1st week of January for Semester II.

Exams take place in the 2nd and 3rd week of December for Semester I and the 2nd and 3rd week of April for Semester II.
UU-wide destinations

For a list of destinations open to all UU students, scan the QR code!
or click [here](#)
Milou van Veen

University of California
Education Abroad Program (EAP)

Santa Barbara Campus
CAMPUS

Palm trees
Private beach
Welcome week
Courses
Environmental studies
Jay Mahn  
University of Victoria  
Canada
Victoria B.C.

Uvic

Jay Mahn - University of Victoria
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Victoria – Location

- Under Vancouver
- Vancouver Island
- Next the U.S.A border
- Sea Climate
Uvic – General Info

- British Columbia
- 22,020 students (35,294 UU)
- On an Island :)
- Next to the sea
- Animals on Campus
Uvic – Culture

- Focus on Native Culture
- Focus on the Environment
- Many Sports
Courses
Example Courses

EOS 110
Oceans & Atmosphere

HSTR 101A
10 Things that shook the world

Many More
Will be talked about in the next presentation :)

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EOS 110

- Learn about the Canadian lands
- Saw whales
- Advanced Professor knowledge
HSTR101A
10 different professors, 1 course.
Considerations
Why go?
Why I went to Uvic / Canada

Away from home
Extremely far, 2 planes minimum or 1 plane + boat

Many spots
16 Places per year, maybe even more in 2023/2024

Lots of travel opportunity
Seattle, Vancouver, and many more.
Why you should NOT go

**Culture**
Western Culture yes/no?

**Weather**
Like the Netherlands but more wind

**Far Away**
Can be hard to see friends/family

**Costs**
Plane + Accommodation costs are high
Why you should go

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<td><strong>Learn about you</strong></td>
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<td>Lots of exchange students, great culture</td>
<td>Away from home, you learn more about responsibilities</td>
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<td><strong>Campus</strong></td>
<td><strong>Nature</strong></td>
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<td>Deer and squirrels just chilling on campus. Seeing whales from the beach possible</td>
<td>Able to see whales and bear in their wild habitat, see real nature</td>
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<td><strong>Different courses</strong></td>
<td><strong>Much more</strong></td>
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<td>EOS110, HSTR101A for example.</td>
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Questions?

Link: https://forms.gle/vwjjzDTwSLufDPDG8

If QR/Link does not work, mail: j.mahn@students.uu.nl
Region – North America

- Master students
- Culture
- Campus life
- Course Offer
- Academic calendar
- Finances: make a plan
- Visa

Pay attention to credits and grading. For example at UC:

Students are advised a maximum of 17 UC units. 1 UC unit is 1.33 ECTS = 22.61 ECTS per semester or quarter. Exceptions can be made but only on special request. This means that especially in the fall quarter/semester it is difficult (almost impossible) to obtain 30 ects within your exchange.

You can find information on this university's credits in the credit conversion table.
Apply: deadline is December 1st

Starting point: www.uu.nl/students/exchange
Start at least 1 month before the deadline!

Step 1 - make your choice
Step 2 - read instructions
Step 3 - prepare documents; all documents in English and focused on first choice.
Step 4 - apply through Osiris – Stay Abroad

Selection/drawing lots could be part of the process
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<td>March – May 2024</td>
<td>Pre-departure meetings for all nominated students</td>
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