

University of Groningen

- discover and master your talents-

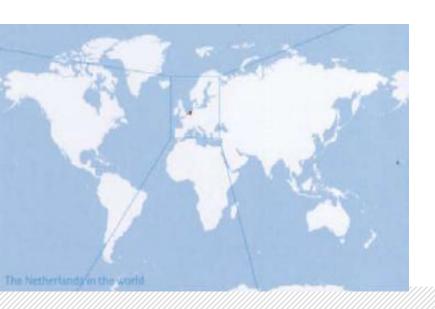
Founded in 1614

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Groningen, The Netherlands







Groningen – City of Talent

- > 180,000 inhabitants
- > best inner-city of the Netherlands; city of bicycles!
- > best student city of the Netherlands (see ISB 2011)
- > lively with a safe community character
- > cultural and economic capital of the north
- > RUG was ranked by researchers as "best place to work in academia"





9 Faculties

- > Arts
- > Behavioural & Social Sciences
- > Economics & Business
- > Law
- > Mathematics & Natural Sciences
- > Medical Sciences
- > Philosophy
- > Spatial Sciences
- > Theology & Religious Studies





Education – Facts & figures 2012

- > 60 Bachelor's degree programmes
- > 115 Master's degree programmes
- 8 International Bachelor's degree programmes (additional 10 in Sciences from Sept. 2013)
- > 90 International Master's degree programmes
 - 15 Double degree programmes, of which 8 Erasmus Mundus Master programmes





Research - Taking the lead

- Top 3 of European ResearchUniversities in the fields:
 - Material Sciences (ZIAM)
 - Biology/Ecology
 - Nanoscience
 - Chemistry
 - Astronomy

- Other strong research groups:
 - Molecular Biology
 - Medical Sciences
 - Neurosciences
 - Sociology
 - Philosophy
 - Theology
 - Archaeology
 - Linguistics
 - Cultural Studies



Bologna agenda

- > ECTS & DS Labels since 2008
- > Three cycle structure, however various lengths in 2nd cycle (Master): 60, 90, 120 or 180 ECTS
- > Bachelor: 180 ECTS always
- QA: Netherlands-Flemish Accreditation
 Committee (NVAO)
- Lisbon Treaty has been ratified





ERASMUS MUNDUS

EMA₁

- > 8 joint master programmes, of which 3 are coordinated by Groningen
- > 1 joint doctorate

EMA₂

- at present 2 projects coordinated by Groningen (Argentina and South Africa)
- Participation in projects with Russia, BMU&Caucasus, Asia, India,
 Africa and Latin America (11 projects in total)



STUDENT SERVICES

- > International Service Desk, <u>isd@rug.nl</u>
- > Mobility and Scholarship Desk, msd@rug.nl
- Visa and residence permit applications (isd)
- > Assistance with registration for accommodation (student houses or private, arranged through Housing Office, www.housingoffice.nl)
- > Welcoming Ceremony 1st and 2nd semester
- > Excellent sports and cultural facilities
- > Student counseling (academic, psychological)
- > ESN, international student societies



International Student Barometer 2011

- > Why students choose to study with us:
 - international reputation
 - quality of teaching and research; course content
 - reputation of Groningen as a safe, friendly, and relatively inexpensive city
- > Rated best in the Netherlands:
 - official Welcoming Ceremony
 - social activities organised for international students
 - sports facilities
- Highly valued:
 - contact with lecturers
 - International Service Desk and faculty International Offices
 - library and study facilities
 - Dutch/Groningen host culture





Thank you for your attention

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