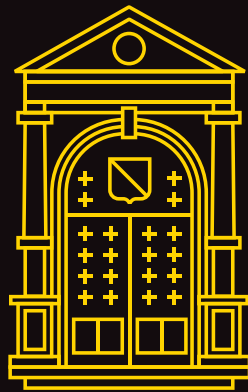




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HONOURS COMMUNITY

Dear reader,

we are proud to present to you the very first edition of the "Think Big Newsletter". This newsletter is brought to you by the Social and Behavioural Sciences Honours Community and is sent to future honours students, current students enrolled in the Honours Program of Social and Behavioural Sciences and its staff members. Our aim is to keep you posted on the latest activities and info regarding our Honours Community.

On the 28th of October, the Honours Community of Social and Behavioural Sciences presented our first "Think Big" ideas, hopes and plans for the present academic year. Joining us were the Honours Council and its different commissions: IntroCie, the AcademiCie, ExcurCie, the CommuniCie, the TravelCie and the Honours Magazine Editors. In this newsletter you can read more about their missions, plans and ideas.

Enjoy reading our newsletter!

KICK-OFF

On the 16th of November there will be a Kick-off event regarding the honours college of social and behavioural sciences. This meeting is for all first year students who would like to get more out of their studies and dare to go beyond the bounds of their own degree program. This, along with additional counselling and fun and motivating activities. Be sure to join us at the event room in Langeveld from 17:00 to 19:00!



INTROCIE

The IntroCie is the commission which focuses on the future honours students of the faculty of social and behaviour sciences. Our goal is to familiarize motivated and enthusiastic freshmen with the honours program, by providing them with all the necessary information and by being approachable for them to ask questions. The global IntroCie program for this year includes:

- **Kick-off on the 16th of November** (17:00-19:00) A chance for first year students to get some information about honours and to talk with honours students in an informal setting.
- **The Utrecht University Open House for high-school students**
20th of November (10:00 – 16:00),
21th of November (10:00 – 16:00),
5th of March
- **The day for high-school students**
2nd of December (09:30 – 16:00)
- **The career day**
By the end of January
- **The studiepadvoorlichting**
By the end of March
- **We will organise the introduction camp for the new honours-students**
By the end of July or the beginning of August

ACADEMECIE

The Committee for Academic Skills, called 'AcademiCie', has been formed with the purpose of facilitating training courses that stimulate the talents of the current honours students. This is a vital component of the honours programme, as its goal is to let the students develop their personal intelligence and abilities. The committee is therefore excited to provide these training courses to such a motivated and enthusiastic group. The members of the committee have transferred the desires and interests of the honours community to a number of training courses that represent two main themes: ability and skill development and the enhancement of career prospects. With the theme ability and skill development, current honours students should expect training courses that develop vital parts of academic excellence, such as giving a good presentation and the proper use of academic English. Additionally, the current honours students will be prepped for a bright academic future with the training courses that will teach them how to present themselves in the best way possible: to create a killer CV, to learn how to behave during job-interviews and to use Linked-In. The AcademiCie believe that these training courses will be the first step into the bright future of the honours student, and they therefore hope that every student will seize this opportunity and attend the training courses!



STUDIUM GENERALE

Science Café Utrecht

Humour

Monday November 16th (20:30)

Café Het Gegeven Paard, VredenburgTivoli

Along with different scientists Filemon Wesselink takes a closer look at humour. Behavioural biologists Jan van Hooff, university lecturer at biological and health psychology Sibe Doosje, social- and occupational psychologist Madelijn Strick and philosopher Martijn Veerman will share their thoughts and insights on the essence of humour. After all, despite all cultural differences, even the most crabby person can have a sense of humour.

Healthy Urban Living

Urban Stress and Happiness

Tuesday November 17th (20:00)

Aula of the Academybuilding, Domsquare 29.

Crowded streets, little green. The busy metropolis can feel oppressive and depressing, but at the same time it provides many opportunities for socializing and entertainment. What is the relationship between urban stress and happiness? Dr. Mazda Adli (Psychiatry, Charité University hospital in Berlin) and prof. dr. Meike Bartels (Biological Psychology, VU Amsterdam).

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