Bachelor Project / Thesis

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Bachelor Project: What? When?

Project: A research project (develop hypothesis, collect & analyze data, write report)
Conducted by a small group of students (3-8)
Under supervision of a faculty member
(PhD Candidate, Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, or Full Professor)

Thesis: Individual report of the project (like an article).
Graded individually.

Time Period: 2 Blocks = 20 weeks (no official holiday)
Semester 2 (standard)
Semester 1 (if degree is completed after Semester 1
- if Minor or study abroad in Semester 2
Contact your Adviser)
Bachelor Project:
What, When?

Credits: 15 EC = approximately 22 hours/week
(Meetings and experimenting: in mutual agreement)
Room for 15 EC other courses

Strict deadlines for assignments submission (see
detailed schedule on Blackboard):

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Bachelor Project: admission requirements, enrolment

Requirements: All EC first year courses & Multivariate Data-analysis (year 2)

Enrolment: Begin of July / November
Project descriptions on BB.
(including name supervisor, unit, number of students, references)
Half of July/ December Enrolment in uSis
Registration on a “first come first serve” basis

Reader: Available in August (see Blackboard)
Bachelor Project: Enrolment, project choice

**Good to know**

BP topic does not need to be the same as your preferred master specialization!

**Tip**

Take a chance to broaden your expertise. Pick a BP on another topic than your preferred master specialization!
Bachelor Project: Ethics

Ethics:

- Project needs approval of the Ethics Committee
- During the project this booklet (see BB for English version) will be discussed.

Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences

“Scientific Research: Dilemmas and Temptations”
Examples of topics previous years

- Individual differences in navigation ability
- Risk-taking in adolescence
- Is freedom of choice really a good thing?
- Associations between Borderline Personality features & childhood trauma.
- Visual attention and agency
- Eye movements patterns of analogical reasoning
- How to treat missing data
Result:
Bachelor Thesis (research paper)
20-30 pages (appendices not included)
Honours Research Bachelor Project: What?

A ‘Bachelor-Plus’ project
- Carrying out a full research project *individually*
- During full academic year
- Supervision by a Faculty member (and PhD student)
- Deliverables:
  - Bachelor thesis in APA-manuscript format.
  - Presentation of research proposal at HRBP-Mini-Symposium (December)
  - Poster (July)

- Credits: 15 EC + certificate.
- Work load: 1 day a week in first semester.
  3 days a week in second semester. On average!
Honours Research Bachelor Project: Who?

Max 15 students
- Selection on the basis of application
- Projects are listed on BB
- Rate your relative preference for 3 projects

Selection Criteria:
- MVDA
- Propedeuse in 13 months
- Mean grade: >7.5
- Letter of motivation
Honours Research Bachelor Project: planning

When?
- End of May project descriptions on BB.
- Mid-June: send your application to the Secretary of the Institute Mrs A. Zandvliet. Mention preferred projects.
- End of June: Selection results announced, and projects assigned.
- Before summer break, meet the supervisor.
- Confirm your participation in HRBP
- Start September 1st.
Bachelor Project

Honours Research

Questions?