

Welcome to the Study Abroad Festival IRO Study Abroad session 2021-2022

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**Universiteit
Leiden**
The Netherlands

TOPICS

- **Courses IRO year 3**
 - **Options for elective Space**
 - **Study & internships abroad**
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- **Duration session: 1 hour**
 - **Microphones will be muted**
 - **Q&A at end of session**

Elements third IRO year

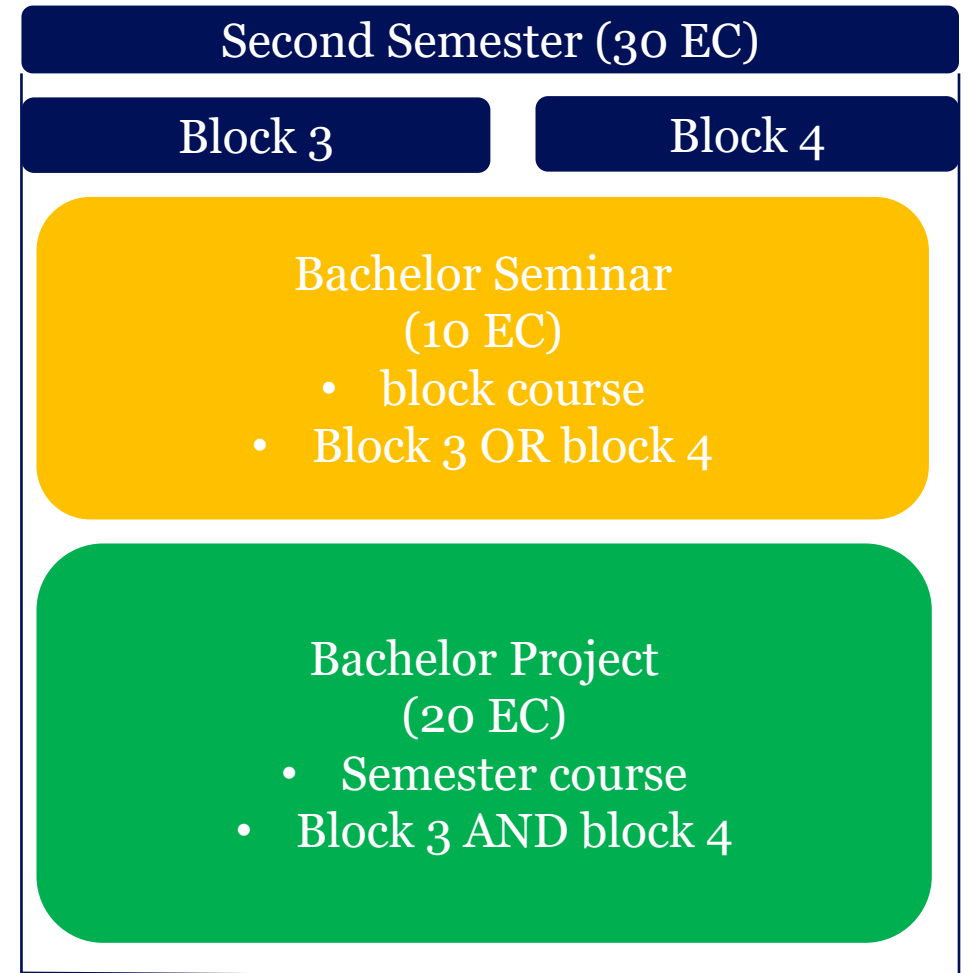
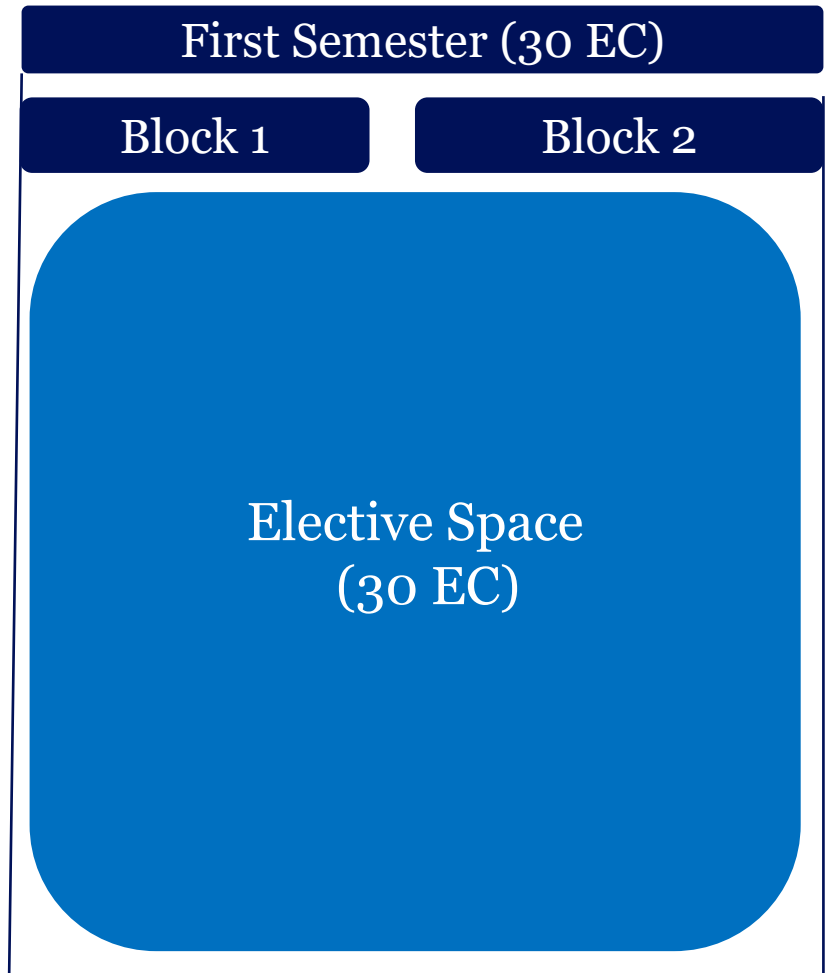
1 Elective Space 30 EC

2 Bachelor Seminar 10 EC (block course)

3 Bachelor Project 20 EC (semester course)

Total IRO year 3: 60 EC

Planning IRO year 3



Planning IRO year 3

First Semester (30 EC)

Block 1

Block 2

Bachelor Seminar
(10 EC)

- block course
- Block 1 OR block 2

Bachelor Project
(20 EC)

- Semester course
- Block 1 AND block 2

Second Semester (30 EC)

Block 3

Block 4

Elective Space (30 EC)

OPTIONS Elective Space (30 EC)

1 Study Abroad

> first or second* semester (*depending on partner university)

2 Minor

> first semester or full year* (*depending on minor)

3 Elective Package

> first and /or second semester

4 Research internship (15 EC) + 3 Electives (15 EC)

> first or second semester

- See Brightspace HS 20-21 Academic Career Support IRO – about IRO year 3 – Elective space

Different application / registration deadlines

- **Study Abroad**
 - application deadlines: 12 November 2020, 1 December 2020, 15 February 2021
- **Minor**
 - registration deadline 1 May 2021 (for some selective minors in April 2021)
- **Elective Package**
 - Registration deadlines for electives > see info in prospectus, per block or semester
- **Research internship (15 EC) + 3 Electives (15 EC)**
 - Application deadline for Research internship 3 months before start internship
- Minor, elective package and research internship + electives > later deadlines

Study Abroad and Corona

Study Abroad options depend on development Corona virus

- Look into the opportunities but always draw up two plans with your Study Adviser:
 - a study-abroad plan
 - a staying-at-home plan (other options for elective space)
- Leiden University follows the travel advice issued by the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs: study-related activities may only take place in areas that are classified as code green or code yellow.
- Travelling and studying abroad is always at your own risk.
- try to postpone incurring costs for studying abroad until shortly before departure.

Steps Study Abroad

Step 1: Orientation & application

Step 2: Offer (selection)

Step 3: To arrange before departure

Step 4: During the study abroad

Step 5: To arrange upon your return

Step 1: Orientation & application

Information

- Student website: info & exchange database with partner universities)
- Brightspace page HS 2021 Academic Career Support > elective space
- Online Study Abroad Festival > Monday 5 until Friday 5 October 2020
- Blackboard page Study Abroad outside of Europe
- > info about partner universities university-wide exchange outside of Europe)

Requirements:

- **60 EC IRO year 1** before application deadline (different deadlines)
 - **Grade average:** minimum 7.0 (calculated over IRO year 1 courses)
 - **Language requirements:** for some partner universities new IELTS or TOEFL test required
 - For some universities additional language requirements German, Spanish, French
- *No 60 EC IRO year 1 and / or GPA 7,0? Contact IRO exchange coordinator for other options*

Orientation & application

- **What is important for you?**
- **Do your research: check website partner universities**
- **What is possible for you?**
(keep [Financial matters](#) in mind)
- **When can you go?**
 - IRO year 3: First semester 2021-2022
 - IRO year 3: Second semester 2021-2022 (depending on the partner university)
 - IRO year 4: add a semester or year to your study programme)



3 types of agreements

- **1 University-wide agreements via central International Relations Office**
 - Large amount of agreements
 - Partner universities outside of Europe
 - Broader course offer
 - Competition with students Leiden University
 - *Purdue University, West-Lafayette (US) 1 fixed place for BSc Political Science*
 - Deadline: 1 December 2020
 - Selection: grade average + motivation letter (GPA leading criteria)
 - [Lustra+ Scholarship](#) and [Holland Scholarship Outgoing](#)
 - [Financial matters](#)

3 types of agreements

- **2 Programme agreement outside of Europe**
- **Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile**
 - Joint agreement with BA International Studies and FGGA
 - 2 places for BSc Political Science students (3 specialisations)
 - Broader course offer
 - Deadline 12 November 2020
 - Additional Language requirement: Spanish B2/C1 (courses & exams in Spanish)
 - Selection: grade average + motivation letter (equal balance)
 - [Lustra+ Scholarship](#) en [Holland Scholarship Outgoing](#)
 - Working on new agreement with Sao Paulo, Brazil (course offer in English),
 - not yet in online exchange database, exceptional deadline 15 February 2021

3 types of agreements

- ***3 Programme agreements inside of Europe including Turkey***

- ***Erasmus+ exchange***

- Competition BSc Political Science students (3 specialisations)
- Course selection in field Political Science IR / Social Sciences
- (at least 50% or sometimes 30 EC)
- See information programme agreements in on Brightspace page
- Application deadline: 15 February 2021
- Requirement: 60 EC IRO year 1 + GPA 7,0
- Selection: Grade average + motivation letter (equal balance)
- [Erasmus+ Scholarship](#) (UK- Brexit!)

Where – online exchange database

Exchange agreements/ uitwisselingsprogramma's.

Search through all Leiden University's exchange agreements.

Studying Abroad?

Search for your exchange programme:

Faculty: ▼

Continent: ▼

Country: ▼ (optional)

Partner university: ▼ (optional)

Level: All Bachelor Master PhD



Where – online exchange database

University-wide agreements

- Faculty of Social and behavioural Sciences
- Continent, Country, Bachelor level
- > ***Intended for: for All students, all faculties***

Programme agreements

- Faculty of Social and behavioural Sciences
- Continent, Country, Bachelor level
- PUC de Chile > ***intended for BSc Political Science – POL, IP, IRO***
- Erasmus+ exchange > ***intended for for BSc Political Science – POL, IP, IRO***
- [link naar online exchange database](#)

ISEP – other type of exchange programme

International Student Exchange Programme

- American exchange programme with worldwide partners
- Leiden University is partner in ISEP network
- Via university-wide exchange
- Select in online exchange database: Faculty of Social and Behavioral Sciences, North America, United States
 - > City Washington, name of the university: ISEP
- 2 application rounds (first for offer, second for partner university)
- Fixed fee per semester for rent and meal plan + tuition fee at Leiden University

- ❖ Check ISEP website for more information
- ❖ ISEP coordinator at Leiden University: Gaye Eksen
- ❖ Information session about ISEP on Study Abroad Festival

Information Course offer

- Check website partner universities
- Information courses not always easy to find
- Be flexible
- **Course criteria:**
 - must be academic
 - cannot overlap with content IRO courses
 - language courses are allowed if partner university offers EC for courses
- University-wide agreements > all faculties > broader course offer
 - check information on BB page Study Abroad outside of Europe
- Erasmus+ exchange > courses offer in field Political Science – IR

Who to contact for which agreement?

1 University-wide agreements / ISEP

International Relations Office on central level

International Exchange Coordinators: ms. Sanne Feenstra & ms. Gaye Eksen

Contact via webform

Online consultation hours after Festival

2. Programme agreements

> Outside of Europe: PUC de Chile

3. Erasmus+ agreements

> inside of Europe, incl Turkey

❖ Study abroad related questions

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Application deadline

- **For application study abroad in first and in second semester**
 - **Programme agreement PUC de Chile:**
 - 12 November 2020: 23:59 CET
 - **University-wide agreements, incl Purdue University and ISEP:**
 - 1 December 2020: 23:59 CET – select max 10 partner universities
 - **Programme agreements Erasmus+**
 - 15 February 2021: 23:59 CET – select max 5 partner universities
 - (you apply from 15 January 2021 on)
- No first come first serve system
- All applications are processed after the application deadline
- You can only accept an offer for one exchange programme

Application procedure

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- Via online application form
 - Add Certified Transcript of records (arrange via Student Services Centre)
 - Add Motivation letter
 - format university-wide agreements
 - Format programme agreements

Who handles my application and selection ?

- University-wide agreements
- > central International Relations Office
- Programme Agreements
- > Institute of Political Science

Offer (selection)

- **Programme agreement PUC de Chile:**
 - Offer via uemail before end of November 2020
 - Accept or decline offer within 1 week
 - No offer or decline offer > you can apply for university-wide OR Erasmus+ exchange
- **University-wide agreements, incl Purdue University and ISEP**
 - Offer via uemail before end of December 2020
 - Accept or decline offer within 2 weeks
 - No offer or decline offer > you can apply for Erasmus+ exchange
- **Programme agreements Erasmus+**
 - Offer via uemail between end of February – mid March 2021
 - Accept or decline offer within 2 weeks
 - No offer or decline offer > you can apply as free mover or choose other option for elective space

Changes for exchange offer

Depends on:

- Available spots per partner university and number of applicants
 - Popularity of partner university
 - Your GPA & motivation letter
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- Don` t focus too much on one specific country, city, university
 - Select a sufficient amount of universities in your application
 - Make realistic choices (not only select top universities)
 - Keep financial means in mind

Step 3: To do before departure

New information sessions or e-mail with specific information

- ISEP information session in January 2021 (second application)
- University-wide exchange information depends on application deadline
- Erasmus+ information session

Application as incoming student to partner university

Learning Agreement with course selection

- Course approval by Board of Examiners:
 - Course criteria: must be academic, cannot overlap with content IRO courses, language course are allowed if partner university offers EC for these course
- Mandatory Health & Safety session – [see for more information](#)
- Check [Financial matters](#) and arrange practical matters (travel, insurances)

Step 4: During exchange period

- Be flexible
- Expect that you may need to adjust course selection
- Select new course / courses
- Have new course(s) approved by Board of Examiners
- Have adjusted Learning Agreement signed by partner university

Step 5: To do upon your return

- Arrange Transcript of records for obtained study credits
- Have Learning Agreement signed (only Erasmus+ exchange)
- Application form + Transcript of records > for study credits in uSis
- Only study credits will be transferred (not the grades) so obtained grades will not count towards your IRO GPA

Other options to go abroad

Free mover

Semester abroad at a non-partner university inside or outside of Europe

- You apply directly to other university
 - You pay tuition fees for semester to other university + to Leiden University for 2021-2022
 - Course approval before departure to use study credits for elective space
 - Transcript of records upon return to SSC via IRO Exchange Coordinator
 - Application deadline different per university (check information on website)
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- ❖ assistance IRO Exchange Coordinator Ariane Berends

Examples minors with study abroad period

- [Minor Culture and Society in Morocco at NIMAR in Rabat](#) (also a minor, full semester abroad)
- [Semester Abroad at Netherlands-Flemish Institute in Cairo](#)
 - information session NVIC: Wednesday 14 October – register via [link](#)
- Select minor with period abroad > application deadline April /May 2021
 - Frugal Innovation for Sustainable Global Development (period abroad)
 - Sustainable Development (period abroad)
- **Check for more information:**
 - Prospectus
 - Brightspace page HS 20-21 Academic Career Support IRO > about IRO year 3 > elective space

Research Internship for 15 EC abroad

- Research internship for 15 EC
 - + Electives at Leiden University for 15 EC
 - Prerequisites: IRO Year 1, RMPS, Academic Skills-Research Design
 - Check information on Brightspace page HS 2021 Academic Career Support
 - Discuss option with Study Adviser
 - No vacancies available, contact organisations yourself for options
 - Inside Europe / outside Europe
 - [Scholarships](#)
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- Internship coordinator at Institute of Political Science
 - Internship supervisor at Institute of Political Science
 - Internship supervisor at Organisation



What is STREAM?

- Student Exchange programme between Leiden University and several European Universities*, with the focus on conducting research.
- Transfer of academic credits.

Where?

- Université Paris-Saclay (France)
- Università degli Studi di Milano (Italy)
- Lund University (Sweden)
- Utrecht University (Netherlands)
- Université de Genève (Switzerland)
- University of Zurich (Switzerland)
- Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg (Germany)

(* *mobility between institutions located in the same country are not allowed within this framework*)

For whom?

- Students registered in their 3rd, 4th or 5th year of study and have not graduated yet.
- GPA of at least 3.2 (out of 4) / average grade: 7 or above
- Minimum English level: B2

Duration of the mobility?

- 1 month up to a full semester.

Funding?

- Students who are selected may also be able to apply for an Erasmus Scholarship at their home institution.

Outgoing students : <https://www.leidenuniv.nl/stream/>

Incoming students : www.universiteitleiden.nl/stream

Contact person: Ms. Usha Mohunlol (u.c.mohunlol@sea.leidenuniv.nl)

Quotes from Students

David Wullimann, Lund University: Research at University of Zurich.

“I am very happy with my exchange period and I am sure I will have great use in the future with the experience that I had.

I now have many reasons to go back and visit Switzerland, and there is still much more to explore culturally, new people to meet and work opportunities to discover. I was met by great people who taught me a lot, not just new techniques but also how to work in a lab group.”

Linda Ravazzano, University of Milan: Research at Leiden University.

“Taking part to the STREAM programme had been a great opportunity to work in a true research project inside an international research group. This experience not only made me grow up under an academic point of view, but also gave me the opportunity to discover a new country and to meet people from all over the world”.

Marnix van de Sande, Utrecht University: Research at University of Zurich.

“The STREAM programme offered me the opportunity to experience research first-hand, which really helped me in discovering my own passions and qualities. I am really grateful that I got the chance to take part in an ongoing research project as a fresh BSc graduate. The experiences in the lab have given me a solid impression of what work in a biomedical research lab is like, and this helped me a lot in the choice for a master's degree. I have a much more realistic view of what life as a PhD student is like, and I now know better what to expect if I decide to continue in research”.



Entire Master abroad

- Start early > 1 year in advance
- Discuss option with Study Adviser
- Look for possible scholarships



Summer Schools inside & outside Europe

- Short programme (2-4-6 weeks)
- Inside Europe / outside Europe
- Based on topics
- Tuition fee (beware of commercial organisations)
- Sometimes scholarships available
- Certificate, no study credits for Elective Space
- More information on [website](#) and [Facebook](#)

Health and Safety: Go abroad well prepared

Mandatory session for all students who go abroad for study or internship

About Health, security and cultural awareness

- offered monthly, alternate Leiden and The Hague
- See for information and registration for a session via [this page](#)

- Check information [Corona](#)

Arrangements

- Insurances
- vaccinations
- Do you use medication?
- Make sure that you have enough money



Next step

- ❖ Check recorded Study Abroad Festival Sessions
- ❖ Do your research
- ❖ Discuss options with Study Adviser
- ❖ Discuss options university-wide exchange with International Exchange Coordinator
- ❖ Apply

- ❖ Tip university-wide exchange:
 - Apply the latest 10 days before 1 December to make sure your application is complete
- ❖ Tip Erasmus+ exchange
 - Apply the latest 10 days before 15 February to make sure your application is complete



Thank you for your attention

Any Questions ?