Utrecht School of Arts
Netherlands

The University
Located in the city centre, the Utrecht School of the Arts (HKU) is at the heart of the cultural and student life of Utrecht. With around 3,500 students, the Utrecht School of the Arts is one of the largest art and culture-oriented universities of professional education in Europe. The Utrecht School of the Arts offers preparatory courses, bachelor and masters programmes and research degrees in fine art, design, music, theatre, media, games and interaction, arts education and arts management.
The Utrecht School of the Arts is internationally oriented and involved in numerous international programmes and projects. The HKU maintains contact with almost 200 educational institutions abroad for the purpose of exchanging lecturers, students and projects. Almost 20% of the students come from outside the Netherlands. Foreign students can attend the HKU as a regular student, an exchange student in programmes such as Socrates/Erasmus, ISEP, a bilateral exchange programme or as an MA, MPhil or PhD student.
It cooperates with Utrecht University at many levels.

The City
Both the province and the city of Utrecht offer possibilities for a wide variety of interests and pursuits. With more than 25,000 students in a city of 250,000 Utrecht has an active social scene; from bars and clubs to quiet coffee houses and a number of museums covering all aspects of Dutch history and culture. Located in the heart of the country, the province not only offers opportunities around the immediate area but is only a short distance from all that the country has to offer, including Amsterdam, only thirty minutes away.

About the Program
The program with Utrecht School of Arts is part of the MAUI-Utrecht Exchange and open to students from member institutions only. The University of Oklahoma is a MAUI member.

Academic Calendar
Fall Semester: September to December
Spring Semester: February to June

Examination periods:
December and May/June

Am I eligible for this program?
You must have a 2.5 Combined Retained GPA.

What could I study?
Exchange students can take Visual Arts and Design courses. In general, courses are not taught in English, but they often studio based, with supervision in English.

**What about academic credit?**
Grades received on reciprocal exchange study abroad programs through the University of Oklahoma are posted by the Office of Admissions as Satisfactory (S) or Unsatisfactory (U) on the OU permanent record. These grades are not factored into the participant’s Grade Point Average. Because each student is enrolled in 12 credits per semester while abroad, participants are expected to enroll in an equivalent number of credits at the host university. Academic systems around the world vary in what equals 12 OU credits. The decision about awarding credits is made in the Office of Admissions at OU.

**Where would I live?**
Utrecht School of the Arts cooperates with the housing agency SSH. The application fee is 175 euro, approx. $260. For more details on the application procedure visit: [http://sscweb.hku.nl/exchange](http://sscweb.hku.nl/exchange)

Rent cost ranges between 375 and 450 euro, $555-665, per month. SSH usually offers a fully furnished room (single or double) with shared faculties.

**How much does it cost?**
**Costs at OU:** All students participating on semester or academic year reciprocal exchange programs are enrolled at OU for 12 credits each semester abroad. Tuition and fees are billed through and paid directly to OU at the appropriate resident or non-resident rate. Fees are charged at the Arts and Sciences College rate, even if the student’s major is in a different college. All participants pay a $10/credit hour study abroad fee.

There is a $35 non-refundable application fee for study abroad.

Below are the cost estimates per month in Euro:
- Housing: 375, approx. $555
- Meals: 100, approx. $147
- Books and Working Materials (paint, etc): around 450 euro per a semester, approx. $665
- Local Transportation: 10 euro, approx. $15 (many students bike: (a second-hand bike with locks will cost a maximum of 175 euro, approx. $260).

In addition, Residence Permit is required for all non-EU/EEA citizens staying in the Netherlands for a period longer than 3 months. The University of Utrecht organizes a special registration day in September and February.

The Legal administration fee for residence permit is 433 euro, approx. $635.

**How do I apply?**
Instructions for applying to any semester or academic year exchange program may be found in the “how to apply” section of our website.

Since this program is part of the MAUI-Utrecht exchange, you may be asked to submit your study abroad application before the official study abroad application deadline.
For more information, please contact:

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