University of Utrecht
Netherlands

The University
Located in the heart of the Netherlands, Utrecht University is firmly founded on tradition. Utrecht University, which celebrates its 370th anniversary, has developed into one of Europe's largest and most prominent institutes of research and education. Utrecht University offers the broadest spectrum of disciplines available in the Netherlands, innovative research and liaises with universities and research centers all over the world. At Utrecht University, in both teaching and research, quality is always the key. The University’s student population is about 28,000 students, of which 2,000 international students.

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
Students from the University of Oklahoma can study abroad at Utrecht either through the bilateral agreement that OU has with the University of Utrecht or through the MAUI-Utrecht consortium.

The MAUI-Utrecht Exchange is open to students from member institutions only. The University of Oklahoma is a MAUI member.

Students can attend for one semester or full academic year. Note that the fall semester at the University of Utrecht ends in February. For this reason, if you would like to study abroad at Utrecht for one semester only, it would be best to study abroad in the spring.

Academic Calendar
Semester 1:
Period 1: September 1 – November 9
Period 2: November 10 – January 30
Semester 2:
Period 3: February 2 – April 19
Period 4: April 20 – July 3
Each faculty has its own schedule for final examinations. Examinations are based on course work, attendance and exams during the semester.
Am I eligible for this program?
You must have a 2.5 Combined Retained GPA.
University College Utrecht (UCU) and Roosevelt Academy (RA), the international honours colleges of UU, are also open to exchange students if GPA is (at least) 3.0 or more.

What could I study?
The courses open to exchange students are called certificate courses and they are in the following fields: Humanities; Social and Behavioural Sciences; Geosciences; Law, Economics & Governance; Science. Students can also take courses offered by Utrecht Honours colleges: University College Utrecht and the Roosevelt Academy.
Also, Intensive Dutch language course is offered in August. Special beginner's level course for exchange students ‘Boswell Welcome’ starts in September and February. This course is not part of the exchange program and the fee for it is 150 euro.

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?
Due to the large number of students, it is usually very difficult for students to find housing in Utrecht. Therefore Utrecht University offers exchange students assistance with their housing. The Student Housing Service makes housing arrangements upon request and under certain conditions. Information about the procedure will be sent to student after acceptance by UU.

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.
Costs at Utrecht in euro per month:
Living Expenses: 350-450
Books and Study Materials: 65-85
Insurance: 40-100

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.

**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.

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