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VERKIEZINGEN 2026: UNIVERSITEITSRAAD, FACULTEITSRADEN EN DIENSTRADEN

Tussen 20 en 23 april 2026 kiezen studenten en medewerkers hun vertegenwoordigers in de Universiteitsraad, Faculteitsraden en Dienstraden van servicecentra en Maastricht University Office (MUO/ABZ). Belangrijke organen waarmee medezeggenschap en inspraak binnen de Universiteit Maastricht formeel geregeld zijn.

De Universiteitsraad functioneert niet alleen als klankbord voor het College van Bestuur, maar heeft ook advies- en instemmingsrecht, toetst, controleert en kan initiatiefvoorstellen indienen. De Faculteitsraad heeft dezelfde functie op facultair niveau en voedt daarnaast de Universiteitsraad met informatie. De Dienstraden overleggen regelmatig met de directeuren van de servicecentra of van Maastricht University Office (MUO). Voor de Universiteitsraad en de Faculteitsraden kunnen dit jaar **alleen studenten** stemmen. Medewerkers mogen volgend jaar hun vertegenwoordigers kiezen.

RADEN

De Universiteitsraad telt twintig leden; tien studenten, zes vertegenwoordigers van het wetenschappelijk personeel en vier medewerkers uit de ondersteunende afdelingen. Studenten nemen één jaar zitting in de raad, medewerkers worden om de twee jaar gekozen.

Ook de Faculteitsraden worden gevormd door vertegenwoordigers van het wetenschappelijk personeel, ondersteunend personeel en studenten. Zij worden uit eigen geledingen gekozen; ook hier is de zittingstermijn twee jaar voor medewerkers en één jaar voor studentleden. De Faculteitsraden hebben diverse bevoegdheden waaronder instemmingsrecht aangaande het faculteitsreglement en adviesrecht over bijvoorbeeld benoemingen van hoogleraren en de facultaire begroting.

STEMMEN

Dit jaar vinden de verkiezingen plaats van maandag 20 april 08.00 uur tot en met donderdag 23 april 18.00 uur. Op vrijdag 24 april 15.00 uur wordt de uitslag bekend gemaakt in Ad Fundum (SBE, Tongersestraat 53). De uitslag wordt daarna ook online bekendgemaakt.

Stemmen is mogelijk via:

<https://elections.maastrichtuniversity.nl>

Indien online stemmen onverhoopt niet lukt, dan is het mogelijk om tijdens kantooruren schriftelijk een stem uit te brengen op de Minderbroedersberg 4-6, kamer 2.009. Let op: het vertonen van een UM-card is verplicht.

Kijk voor alle informatie over de verkiezingen op www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/verkiezingen

Meer weten over inspraak en medezeggenschap bij Maastricht University? Kijk op <https://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/nl/over-de-um/organisatie/medezeggenschap>

2026 ELECTIONS: UNIVERSITY COUNCIL, FACULTY COUNCILS AND SERVICE COUNCILS

Between 20 and 23 April 2026, students and staff members can elect their representatives to the University Council, Faculty Councils and Service Councils of the service centres and Maastricht University Office (MUO/ABZ). These are important bodies through which participation and representation within Maastricht University are formally organised.

The University Council not only functions as a sounding board for the Executive Board, but also has rights to offer advice or give approval, to assess and monitor, and to submit initiatives and proposals. The Faculty Councils have the same functions at faculty level and, in addition, provide the University Council with information. The Service Councils regularly consult with the directors of the service centres or Maastricht University Office (MUO). For the University Council and the Faculty Councils, **only students** can vote this year. Staff members will be able to elect their representatives next year.

COUNCILS

The University Council has twenty members: ten students, six representatives of the academic staff, and four representatives of the support staff. Students are elected for a one-year term; staff members are elected for two years.

The Faculty Councils also comprise representatives of the academic staff, support staff and students. They are elected from their own sections; here too, the term is two years for staff and one year for students. The Faculty Councils have various powers, including the right to approve faculty regulations and the right to advise on matters such as the appointment of professors and the faculty budget.

VOTING

This year, the elections will take place from Monday 20 April at 08:00 hrs. until Thursday 23 April at 18:00 hrs. The results will be announced on Friday 24 April 15:00 hrs at Ad Fundum (SBE, Tongersestraat 53) and will subsequently also be published online.

Voting is possible via:

<https://elections.maastrichtuniversity.nl>

If online voting unexpectedly fails, it is possible to cast a vote in writing during office hours at Minderbroedersberg 4-6, room 2.009. Please note: showing your UM-card is mandatory.

Please visit our website for all information about the elections: www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/elections

Would you like to know more about having a voice and participation in Maastricht University? Click on: <https://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/about-um/organisation/participation-representation>

FACULTY COUNCIL

FACULTY COUNCIL STUDENTS FASoS

MSRP DOPE FASoS

Jan-Thies Koop
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Emma van Weeghel

NovUM FASoS Council

Šimon Rexa
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Héloïse Henrard
Judith Michel
Maialen Iglesias Alfageme
Assia Sarubbi
Christian Klein
Ernest Fleurot

Kaan Muraru

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KAN x Volt FASoS

Juliane Trabandt
Isabele Greiner
Keira Vankan
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Lavinia Tacke
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Lea Passers
Julia Weschke

FACULTY COUNCIL STUDENTS FHML

List LEX-Motus FHML

Chayenne Reuter
Freek Verstegen
Lucie Laan
Kirstin Flentge
Noor Konsten

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Carlijn van den Hoek
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Gabi de Beer
Charlotte van de Sanden
Jip van de Crommert
Stephanie van Zijl
Robin Janssen
Lars van der Hoef
Niene Snijders
Tess Beljaars

NovUM FHML Council

Roos Goorman
Angela Chong
Daniël Klunder
Ishaan Deshmukh
Oliver Olesen
Lia Soraya Wallraff
Emma Krystyna Dyba
Eowyn Lüchters
Greg Osztrogonác
Clara Monni
Aki Ibrahimovic

KAN x Volt FHML

Eloise Granger
Sofia Askes
Eve Owens
Victoria Schöyer
Rugile Intaité
Lore Eckelmans

FACULTY COUNCIL STUDENTS FPN

NovUM FPN Council

Eliante Martha
Amishi Anand
Sofi Tirana
Blanka Molnár
Nikola Nikolov
Siana Kolevska

MSRP DOPE FPN

Meike Castermans
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Ivan Lutso
Gernot Bellmann
Julie Alkan
Hana Gryc
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Madeleine Marshall
Marta Franzoi
Cynthia Bui
Leonie Gohl
Selma Ahrens
Clara Kinsella
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Siep van den Bogaard

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Ophélie Mazé
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Natascha Nelissen

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Joanna Malarz

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Armand Gelders

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Sanne Winkens

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Ping & Respond 26-28

Sebastiaan Nijhuis

Boudewijn Geelen

Mike Moonen

Xander Lebesque

Edwin Hendrikx

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Josephine Knegtering

Josephine Knegtering

Lijst JZ/Support Office

Miranda Franssen

Arnold Verhoeven

Nathalie Dirks

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SERVICE COUNCIL UB (NO ELECTIONS)

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Anke van Rhee

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Simal Sanli

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Noëlle Gijzen

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FACULTY COUNCIL FACULTY COUNCIL STUDENTS FASOS

MSRP DOPE FASoS

Jan-Thies Koop, Lalou Danneels, Emma van Weeghel

NovUM FASoS Council

Šimon Rexa, Rieke Eshen, Héloïse Henrard, Judith Michel, Maialen Iglesias Alfageme, Assia Sarubbi, Christian Klein, Ernest Fleurot



Héloïse Henrard, Ernest Fleurot, Assia Sarubbi, Simon Rexa, Rieke Eschen, Judith Michel

This year, NovUM FASoS has a clear and ambitious mission: democratize FASoS! We aim to listen to students, to turn your ideas into real change. And we believe that, building on our past achievements, our goals will lead to actual positive change for all FASoS students. We are ready to deliver: Messy skill courses? Skills courses should prepare you for your

future, not frustrate you. Right now, we have repetition, confusion, unclear expectations... NovUM will push for better coordination between tutors and course coordinator, clearer communication about grading and expectations, courses that actually match your programme and career goals, and real student feedback shaping improvements. Vote for building your future!

Better, reliable study spaces! Studying should not mean wandering the building hoping to find a seat. We want more study spaces, more certainty, and better conditions. NovUM will repurpose underused faculty spaces into accessible study areas and expand Study Saturdays, making sure that FASoS offers enough places where students can work productively and without stress.

Accessibility for all: FASoS stands for inclusivity, and we believe we can go further! We will push for proactive disability accommodations in courses, not systems students have to fight to access. Also, NovUM advocates to improve physical accessibility throughout the building. Physical and mental health must be protected. The faculty should clearly communicate, both online and on campus, who students can turn to for support. Vote for all of us!

We are not just here to attend meetings, we are here to represent you! NovUM candidates will organize monthly open student meetings, bring your concerns directly to the faculty council, and stay reachable throughout the year.

We will work in close coordination with the University Council to push for real change. We know that not every goal is easy to achieve, but we understand the system and will fight for you. At the same time, we will stand up for you by defending the rights students already have while working to strengthen them. In NovUM we believe that your voice should not be heard once a year, vote to be heard all the time!

Better courses. More space. Real accessibility. A stronger student voice. Vote NovUM.

Kaan Muraru

Kaan Muraru



Kaan Muraru

Do you feel represented in FASoS?

I don't, and that is why I have submitted my candidacy for the Faculty Council. My aim is to solve the important problems we all have, and I will achieve it through close cooperation with you. Representation can not exist without communication. After talking with first year friends in FASoS and especially the European Studies Bachelor, I have identified two common obstacles I will solve in my mandate: integration hardship and unawareness of social benefits.

On one hand, the faculty must adopt and support more student workshops, gatherings and events in its precinct to prevent loneliness and boost the social interactions between students. On the other hand, there are far too many students, regardless of their year here, who are not aware of the social benefits and support the Dutch government offers us students. I want to propose workshops that teach students about DUO allowances and products, in order to diminish financial burdens and better integrate in the Maastricht community. My greatest priority is understanding and solving your problems, before any political ideology! Thus, my socials, phone number and stand, will always be open to receive your concerns and wishes.

See you in class!

KAN x Volt FASoS

Juliane Trabandt, Isabele Greiner, Keira Vankan, Anneke Pelzer, Lavinia Tacke, Clara Servais, Lea Passers, Julia Weschke



Lea Passers, Lavinia Tacke, Anneke Pelzer, Isabele Greiner, Juliane Trabandt, Keira Vankan, Clara Servais, Julia Weschke

Dear FASoS Students,

The upcoming faculty council elections are your moment to rise and shine. KAN needs you to turn our shared ideas into reality.

The council holds the power to decide what directly impacts your daily life at FASoS, which is why your informed vote is crucial. We urge you to look beyond the parties and their proposals; besides mere promises, also consider how they strategically plan to achieve them.

One thing is certain: the KANmunity will work side-by-side with you to accomplish what matters the most for you. Our plan builds upon four concrete priorities:

Firstly, we believe something needs to be done about wellbeing. For this, we aim to increase the effective help from study advisors. We will also fight for a faculty psychologist at FASoS, dedicated to addressing students' mental health concerns. Furthermore, we will ensure that every student knows how to access existing support resources.

Secondly, we want to build strong and reliable community ties. For this we will organise programme wide spaces designed for

connection and community building. Additionally, we strive to expand accessible networking opportunities for all students and vouch for more events connecting current students with alumni forum every programme.

Thirdly, we believe our common spaces need an update. Therefore, we want to upgrade the common spaces for better accessibility and functionality. We would also like to provide more indoor seating and dedicated areas for recreational activities, as well as outdoor seating in the gardens.

Last but not least, we also believe that we need more transparency and clearer communication. For this we want to ensure student representation in faculty wide discussions and commit to transparent communication about every decision affecting you. For this we will foster clear and direct lines of communication between all internal faculty structures.

If you share our vision and want to see these ideas being employed, we invite you to vote KAN. We care deeply about these issues, and we guarantee we will not disappoint.

Let's build a better FASoS together.

Vote KAN.

FACULTY COUNCIL STUDENTS FHML

List LEX-Motus FHML

Chayenne Reuter, Freek Verstegen, Lucie Laan, Kirstin Flentge, Noor Konsten

List LEX-Motus is committed to creating a faculty where students feel supported and informed, in their academic environment. As representatives of FHML students, we work to bridge the gap between the faculty and the students, ensuring that your needs and concerns are heard and acted upon.

A key part of our vision is improving transparency. Students deserve clear communication about decisions that affect their education.

By advocating for more openness from the faculty, we aim to build an environment where students feel included.

We also believe strongly in the value of student associations. These associations play an essential role in helping students feel at home in a new city. Besides that they help to build networks for future careers and support students. By integrating associations more closely within the university, we want to create even

more visibility for the needs of students.

We will continue our efforts to improve the affordability of food on campus. Access to good, reasonably priced meals is a basic need, and we will keep pushing for better options that support students throughout their day. Within the field of education we advocate for a stronger focus on teaching quality, clearer course structures, and more consistent communication from staff.

Finally, we recognize the growing role of AI in both academic and professional settings.

Instead of leaving students to navigate this alone or not approve any use of it, we want to provide clear guidelines and opportunities to learn how to use AI responsibly and effectively. Integrating AI into education in a thoughtful way can enhance learning, strengthen skills, and prepare students for the future.

MSRP DOPE FHML

Carlijn van den Hoek, Myrthe Geerlings, Luuk Staals, Gabi de Beer, Charlotte van de Sanden, Jip van de Crommert, Stephanie van Zijl, Robin Janssen, Lars van der Hoef, Niene Snijders, Tess Beljaars

NovUM FHML Council

Roos Goorman, Angela Chong, Daniël Klunder, Ishaan Deshmukh, Oliver Olesen, Lia Soraya Wallraff, Emma Krystyna Dyba, Eowyn Lüchters, Greg Osztrogonacz, Clara Monni, Aki Ibrahimovic



Lia Wallraff, Ishaan Deshmukh, Roos Goorman, Emma Krystyna Dyba, Daniël Klunder, Eowyn Lüchters, Angela Chong, Greg Osztrogonacz

Your Future, Your Choice, Your Voice. We are a group of Bachelor's and Master's students from various FHML programs united by one goal: make everyday life for students better for the future.

FHML students experience a stressful environment in their academic life, and we want to advocate for more visibility of the wellbeing resources that the University can provide! We want you to be able to find all the resources in one place, whether you need help in terms of wellbeing, housing or finding a part-time job!

We believe in a University that sets you

up for success. Many FHML programmes schedule their re-sits over the Carnaval break, which affects student wellbeing and mental health eminently. We are strongly pushing to change this concept as a whole and provide FHML students with more holidays, holidays that we all deserve. FHML is the biggest faculty of the entire university in terms of student numbers and we want you to feel at home, no matter if you're a Dutch or International student. Whether it be through language courses or cultural exchange events, we as NovUm advocate for Internationalism of the Faculty.

We want to create a familial atmosphere on campus so that you can mix and mingle no matter where you are from!

For many students, graduation is the biggest day of their academic life so far. We want to ensure that everyone has access to gowns and caps, and that you can graduate in proper celebratory fashion along with your peers, instead of it being a quotidian lecture! Moreover, we emphasize ensuring correct documentation of factors such as GPA and cum laude for student's future prospect. To get to graduation, we have to talk about the current issues that affect students in their

academic experiences. The nucleus of all discussions presently is AI regulations. We advocate for a more organised approach towards AI. Teaching students to prompt better and use AI electively as it is crucial for our job futures and want you to be prepared once you graduate. We want to advocate for a different method of conducting group assignments that will give students the space to express the factual contribution of other group members, without the threat of failing.

And remember: if you want to see these changes, vote NovUm on the 22nd of April!

KAN x Volt FHML

Eloise Granger, Sofia Askes, Eve Owens, Victoria Schöyer, Rugile Intaité, Lore Eckelmans



Eve Owens, Eloise Granger, Sofia Askes

Hello everyone! We are the candidates for the KAN x Volt FHML Council! This year, we want to ensure that FHML remains sustainable and equitable for all students at the faculty!

Here is our vision for the Faculty: First, we want a faculty-wide system with bins for cans. This could help reduce waste and a way for uni to donate to the people in need

who collect them or to funds to organizations. Students usually don't know what to do with stategeld cans and put them on the recycling cans. The only option is to throw it in the

“restafaval” and more can be done. Also, clearer signs for waste separation are needed. Many people are unsure how to sort their trash or do not bother. Better signs would make it easier for everyone to recycle correctly. We also propose better support for people who struggle to concentrate, such as allowing an approved type of earplugs during exams or class. Since the typing and the mouse clicking sound can be very distractible for a lot of students and earplugs help with concentration, this could also help people with ADHD. It would be great to review the very steep stairs in front of UNS40 on the right to make them safer, since they feel very uncomfortable to go down. We also support creating more spaces for students to connect, to encourage social interaction, collaboration, and a stronger sense of community in the faculty. Communication and feedback could also be improved. Students and staff should feel that their suggestions are heard and acted upon, making the university more responsive. Finally, offering alternative milk options at the same price, ideally in coffee machines, in order to make campus facilities more inclusive. If these ideas resonate with you, vote KAN x Volt for the Faculty Council, and check out our wider University Council policies!

FACULTY COUNCIL STUDENTS FPN**NovUM FPN Council**

Eliante Martha, Amishi Anand, Sofi Tirana, Blanka Molnár, Nikola Nikolov, Siana Kolevska



Siana Kolevska, Sofi Tirana, Eliante Martha, Blanka Molnar, Nikola Nikolov

"Our academic success, as FPN students, depends not only on motivation and studying hard; clear demands, accessible support and manageable daily student life also play an important role.

As Psychology and Brain Science students, we experience these challenges every day. This is why we are running: to improve our faculty and student well-being by pushing for practical

changes and building on ongoing work already put forth by current NovUM representatives.

1. Clearer Communication and Expectations Students deserve clarity in their education, especially with the introduction of both a new curriculum and programme. Many students do not fully understand what is expected of them, how their performance translates into results, or what the programme means for their future.

We will push for better-organised information, transparent assessment criteria, and a clear strategy for GPA translation and ECTS requirements.

2. Well-being and Accessibility As a Given Wellbeing should be built into the structure of our education, not treated as an afterthought. We support smoother accommodation for students with disabilities, chronic conditions,

and mental health challenges; including flexible exam conditions and personalised arrangements. We advocate for balanced workload distribution, for mental health support, safety resources, and initiatives such as the Green Dot programme to feel like a normal part of student life not a last resort.

3. Sustainability in Everyday Student Life Sustainability should be visible in daily student experience. We support more affordable, plant-based and allergy-friendly food options, as well as practical improvements to recycling and waste sorting on campus. Sustainable choices should be easy and realistic for every student.

4. Integration and Belonging For Everyone Many students struggle to figure out all the practicalities on their own. That's why we advocate for information starter-packs for students, clearer housing and daily life guidance, and more accessible language-learning resources. Our team's focus also extends to bridging the gap between Dutch and international students, creating a space where both communities feel understood and supported.

5. A Representation That Follows Through We represent students who are not always comfortable speaking up. We know which conversations are happening and which ones still need to. Our commitment is to carry forward the work already begun and ensure every voice reaches the table. We strive to be a representation that listens carefully, acts concretely, and works for realistic improvements that make FPN clearer, fairer, and easier to navigate for everyone"

MSRP DOPE FPN

Meike Castermans, Eef Kabalt, Charlotte Nottet, Eline Dubbink, Julia Viskaal

KAN x Volt FPN

Milan Miljkovic, Josephine Gerhard, Felipe de Carvalho, Ivan Lutso, Gernot Bellmann, Julie Alkan, Hana Gryc, Alex Mavrov



Alexander Mavrov, Gernot Bellmann, Ivan Lutso, Milan Miljkovic, Josephine Gerhard, Felipe de Carvalho, Julie Alkan, Hana Gryc

This election season, KAN is running a joint list with Volt Maastricht to offer a much needed change to FPN. The students of the Faculty are worried about the validity of their educational programs and degrees, the prices of food in the cafeterias, the poor management of PIPs and a lack of feedback, but most

of all - a lack of communication and transparency, including student support, from the Faculty to its students and its staff. That's what we aim to change!

The KANxVolt list this year includes the group of students who brought you SICT Support for first and second year psychology students, and

we are now aiming to support all students of our faculty in the following year!

For the students in the Psychology Bachelor program, our top priority is ensuring that our students follow a program that provides them with not just knowledge, but also a stress-free experience and easy passage to the world's

top-quality Master's programs. Currently, FPN Psychology degrees are hard to evaluate due to the unclear structure of the program and its grading system. Hence, KANxVolt's priority is implementing a clear and improved GPA-equivalent based on existing competencies in programmatic assessment, along with a fixed ECTS credit system that clearly shows the degree of knowledge of every student in every course to ensure a clear and smooth progression onto Master's programs not just in the Netherlands, but worldwide. Additionally, we will aim to collaborate with the Faculty to decrease the number of PIPs and assignments in the program, but making them more valuable and ensuring quick and effective feedback from tutors!

For all the students of our faculty, including Psychology Bachelors and Masters, and Brain Science students, KANxVolt will prioritize subsidizing meals and ensuring top-quality food company contracts in order to make food and drinks in our cafeterias better, tastier, and way more affordable, along with more dietary options, such as vegan, non-allergenic, and gluten-free! We will also aim to ensure proper on-time communication and clear transparency from the Faculty to both students and tutors in the coming years!

Finally, we want to ensure more support and funding for our student associations, because we can only continue to improve with a safe and loving community these organizations provide!

If all of this sounds appealing to you, be sure to cast your vote for KANxVolt on April 20th-23rd! Let's make FPN better together!

FACULTY COUNCIL STUDENTS FSE

KAN x Volt FSE

Diego Meelis, Lada Busarcevic, Madeleine Marshall, Marta Franzoi, Cynthia Bui, Leonie Gohl, Selma Ahrens, Clara Kinsella, Effy Grivas



Madeleine Marshall, Diego Meelis, Lada Busarčević, Effy Grivas

At KAN x Volt, we believe in implementing a vision based on active listening and collaboration with the student community. We want to elevate student voices and take

actionable steps based on your input, bringing the FSE faculty council closer to the student body.

Transparency and Concrete Action: We

want to implement clear feedback channels in the form of short surveys or forms in which students can voice their concerns and ideas. This would help us represent student needs more accurately and take tangible steps to improve their academic experience. Additionally, we believe that students deserve access to the outcomes of course evaluations, as well as an overview of what the course coordinators decided to act upon. We value our student community's opinions and want to find a better way to integrate real change into our curricula. Your voice matters to us!

Student opportunities and skill development: FSE is diverse and prepares students for a wide range of futures, but guidance on career paths, master's applications, and what employers are looking for remains underdeveloped. Timely and accessible support is invaluable to fully utilise your time at UM. We want to advocate for more practical experience opportunities during your studies, including more structured internships, workshops and professional skills training. Free sustainable AI for all students: In collaboration with our University Council

candidates, we are advocating for a free institutional AI subscription for all UM students. Other top European universities already provide this, having realised that AI is an undeniable part of academic life. The question is whether students can access it equitably and sustainably. For this reason, we support Eurix, a Swiss AI powered by renewable energy, governed by GDPR, and whose heat output is used to power homes. Institutional responsibility: We believe FSE should uphold its ethical commitments by ending institutional partnerships with organisations from countries found to be committing genocide under UN definitions. We at KAN believe in holding the faculty accountable to the promises it gives to its students and want to enter discussions about cutting ties with these actors. Campus food: The quality and affordability of food on campus is a point of frustration for many students. We want to push for better, more nutritious, and fairly priced options in our cafeterias and vending machines. Let's build an FSE that listens, acts, and leads. Vote KAN x Volt!

MSRP DOPE FSE

Siep van den Bogaard

NovUM FSE Council

Matthieu Marienbach, Maryam Hammam, Claudia Magis, Céline Reintjes, Marie Foster, Sophie Groll, Max Thompson, Maëlys Breton, Tijn van Heeswijk



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Good systems are not judged by how they look on paper, but by how well they work for the people inside them. NovUM takes the FSE Faculty Council seriously. Over the past year, NovUM's six councilors have shown exactly that, with a 95% attendance rate. Representation works when your representatives show up, know the file, and speak up.

This school year, NovUM has turned strong attendance into real follow-through: on EPC improvement, quality of education across FSE, and a greener, more affordable Randwyck. Next year, we want to build on that record through six priorities:

1. Better education anchored in student input
We want to strengthen EPCs so that student voices are taken

seriously. Strong EPCs mean better course quality, stronger feedback loops, and a genuine student voice. Student evaluations should bring visible improvement.

2. An FSE that works for all its programmes

As FSE grows and becomes more research-focused, it must continue to prioritize education across all programmes, especially in teaching-focused ones such as MSP, UCM, and UCV. Expansion should not come at the cost of teaching quality.

3. Sustainability shaped by students

Sustainability should be woven into FSE's STEM and LAS education. In training tomorrow's scientists, engineers, and policymakers, practice matters more than slogans. We want to recenter the FSE Green Team so it can actually drive meaningful change within the faculty, and require every student to take part in a Climate Fresk workshop.

4. A campus students actually want to be on

Randwyck should not remain a concrete jungle students merely endure. We will keep fighting for a campus people actually want to study, live, and spend time in: with better and more affordable food, common rooms with real social pull, and a prayer room for FSE students. We will also continue working with the municipality to push for greener public space around Randwyck, and for a student lounge between the two PHS buildings.

5. Pushing back where policy harms students

We will continue pushing back against vague or harmful policies. One example is the shortened academic year, which has compressed project periods and resulted in late resit timelines that leave students in uncertainty for too long.

6. Easy to reach, ready to act

Your elected councillors should be easy to reach, ready to act, connected to EPCs and student councils, and work as a team. You deserve councillors you can trust to fight for you all

FACULTY COUNCIL STUDENTS LAW**MSRP DOPE LAW**

Chiara Cantiniere, Anna Hosman, Willem Heuvelman, Pepijn Rommes, Tessa Smeets, Julie Nijbakker, Thimon Falch

NovUM Law Council

Réka Nagy, Efe Satici, Olivia Nixon, Alexandra Oerlemans, Chrysi Dimoragka, Gaelle Chatelain, Angela Nath, Nikola Trebulová



Olivia Nixon, Chrysi Dimoragka, Efe Satici, Alexandra Oerlemans, Réka Nagy

As a party list consisting of engaged, passionate, and aware law students, we stand for improving the student experience at the Faculty of Law, both in terms of heightening the quality of our legal education and developing the Faculty's social life. We

aim to tackle the most significant issue concerning our Faculty, an issue raised by many of our peers and experienced by us first-hand. The current feedback system needs improvement - students are left confused and feeling stranded after receiving

grades for assignments and exams. They do not know how to improve, and this affects motivation, skills, and engagement with learning material.

We aim to solve this problem through 3 approaches: introducing a written feedback system for midterms and exams while keeping in mind staff workload and timelines, establishing office hours for personal feedback and questions, and initiating common lecture-style feedback sessions for general advice. Through this, we hope to aid students in improving their academic performance and their confidence in the legal realm. Another central objective of our campaign is to encourage integration between international and Dutch students, a key issue that resonates with many students in our faculty. We aim to tackle this issue through mentorship programmes for first years, by pairing Dutch first-year students with international mentors, and international first-years with Dutch mentors, helping them navigate the transition to university. Additionally, jointly coordinated social and career-focused events between Dutch and international student societies would further facilitate a stronger sense of community. Lastly, we aim to improve the Skills classes provided by the faculty; as a great opportunity to gain practical competences necessary for legal work, they are a vital part of the legal education experience at our faculty. Thus, we feel that refining the courses' focus on the most important legal skills will greatly benefit students in becoming well-equipped to enter into their professional life.

Ultimately, we know that introducing these policies will take work, negotiation, and compromise, but we are both willing and equipped to put in the effort to elevate the student experience at our faculty by making these ideas a reality.

KAN x Volt LAW

Natalia Michalska, Emma Cubiles Cueto, Nicolás Muñoz Muesmann, Marta Sarmiento Alvarez-Net, Apoorva Prabhu, Aryan Sarin, Janvi Sirwani Motiyani, Aitana González



Nicolás Muñoz Muesmann, Janvi Sirwani Motiyani, Apoorva Prabhu, Emma Cubiles Cueto, Natalia Michalska, Marta Sarmiento Alvarez-Net, Aryan Sarin, Aitana González Sánchez

Hello everyone! We are the candidates of KAN x Volt for the Law Faculty Student Council. Our goal is simple: to represent law students and work toward a better, fairer, and more supportive learning environment. Quality: At the core of our platform is a strong commitment to improving the quality of education within the faculty. As such, one of our

key priorities is better feedback for students. We believe that whenever work is graded, students should receive at least one written comment highlighting a key area for improvement. In addition, when graded assignments such as midterms or exams are assigned, we advocate for providing at least one example of what a strong answer looks like, so students

can clearly understand expectations. Another important issue is greater consistency across courses. Currently, the way tutorials are taught can vary significantly depending on the tutor. We believe clearer guidelines and more uniform teaching approaches would ensure that all students receive equal preparation and access to information.

Transparency: We support greater transparency and accountability in academic decision-making. Students should have clear procedures available to appeal certain decisions, ensuring that governance within the faculty includes appropriate checks and balances. Moreover, greater transparency about the prerequisite nature of skills courses is needed, particularly regarding their importance for writing the bachelor's thesis. Clearer communication would help students plan their studies and avoid unexpected obstacles later in their academic trajectory. Community: We also advocate for several initiatives aimed at improving student life within the faculty. These include expanding vegan food options in the cafeteria, providing basic sensitivity training for tutors, organizing more law faculty community events, such as a Law Gala, and encouraging more opportunities within the curriculum to engage with themes of open-mindedness and tolerance. We also believe that during exam periods, law students should have better access to study spaces. Extending opening hours for law buildings and prioritizing access for law students would help address the high demand for quiet study environments. As KANdicates, we are committed to listening to students and advocating for practical improvements that enhance both the academic experience and student life within the Law Faculty. Let's build a Law Faculty that listens, acts, and leads. Vote KAN x Volt!

List LEX – Motus

Simal Sanli, Simon Höhnert, Veerle Rozenberg, Alex Chatzithomas, Nikitas Gavalas, Brina Samardzija, Noëlle Gijzen, Sherife Su Mehmetaliogullari, Ana Stoica



Brina Samardzija, Alex Chatzithomas, Veerle Rozenberg, Simal Sanli, Simon Höhnert, Noëlle Gijzen, Nikitas Gvalas

We are List LEX-Motus, a group of law students from all years and backgrounds, running for the Faculty Council with one shared purpose: to make the Faculty of Law work better for every student who walks through its doors.

Our list is built on diversity; of year, nationality, and perspective; because we believe that representing the student body means reflecting it in a genuine manner. Every student has a different story within this faculty; and every

one of those stories deserves to be heard at the table where decisions are made. What drives us is a simple conviction: students deserve a faculty that listens, responds, and improves. That is why our agenda this year

centres on four concrete commitments. First, transparency; not as a buzzword, but as a practice. We will push for Faculty Council decisions to be communicated clearly and accessibly, so that students know what is being decided on their behalf and why. Second, we want to understand your experience before the semester slips away. We will advocate for a structured, anonymous student survey at the start of each semester; outside the existing GSA framework; so that problems are identified early, while there is still time to address them. Third, information accessibility. Too many students are unaware of the resources, procedures, and rights available to them. We want to change that by pushing the faculty to make critical information easier to find and harder to miss. Fourth, we want to bring real-world opportunities inside the faculty. Inspired by the business and professional development weeks seen elsewhere, we will advocate for a dedicated law-focused programme; workshops, company evenings, and recruitment events; giving every student a clearer path from the lecture hall to their first professional step. We are not promising the impossible. We are promising to show up, speak up, and follow through, every month, in every meeting, on every issue that matters to you. The Faculty Council only works when students are in it with purpose. That is what we bring. Vote List LEX-Motus. Your voice, in motion.

FACULTY COUNCIL STUDENTS SBE

MSRP DOPE SBE

Quirijn Hoogerheide, Lucas van den Biggelaar, Bob Ploegmakers, Nout Geijtenbeek, Merel Jurriaans, Sofie Morsing, Friso Wuijster, Timme van den Berg

List LEX – Motus

Sebastiaan Melsbach, Tijn Konings, Floris Hofs, Maxim Pakan, Amir Hajjout



Tijn Konings, Sebastiaan Melsbach, Maxim Pakan

If elected, we will focus on strengthening the core of SBE by improving the academic experience. We aim to do this by reworking the PBL system, better integrating AI into the curriculum, and creating incentives for class attendance.

Many students come to Maastricht for the PBL programme, yet in our experience, this style of learning fades too quickly in later courses. We want to reintegrate PBL more consistently across subjects while also advocating for the smarter and more meaningful use of AI within education.

In addition, we propose restructuring the attendance policy to encourage participation. Rather than only penalising absences, we believe students should also be rewarded for consistent attendance, for example through bonus points.

If elected, we commit to being approachable, engaged, and open to conversation. We want your feedback to actively shape our work, so that together we can create meaningful improvements for all students at SBE.

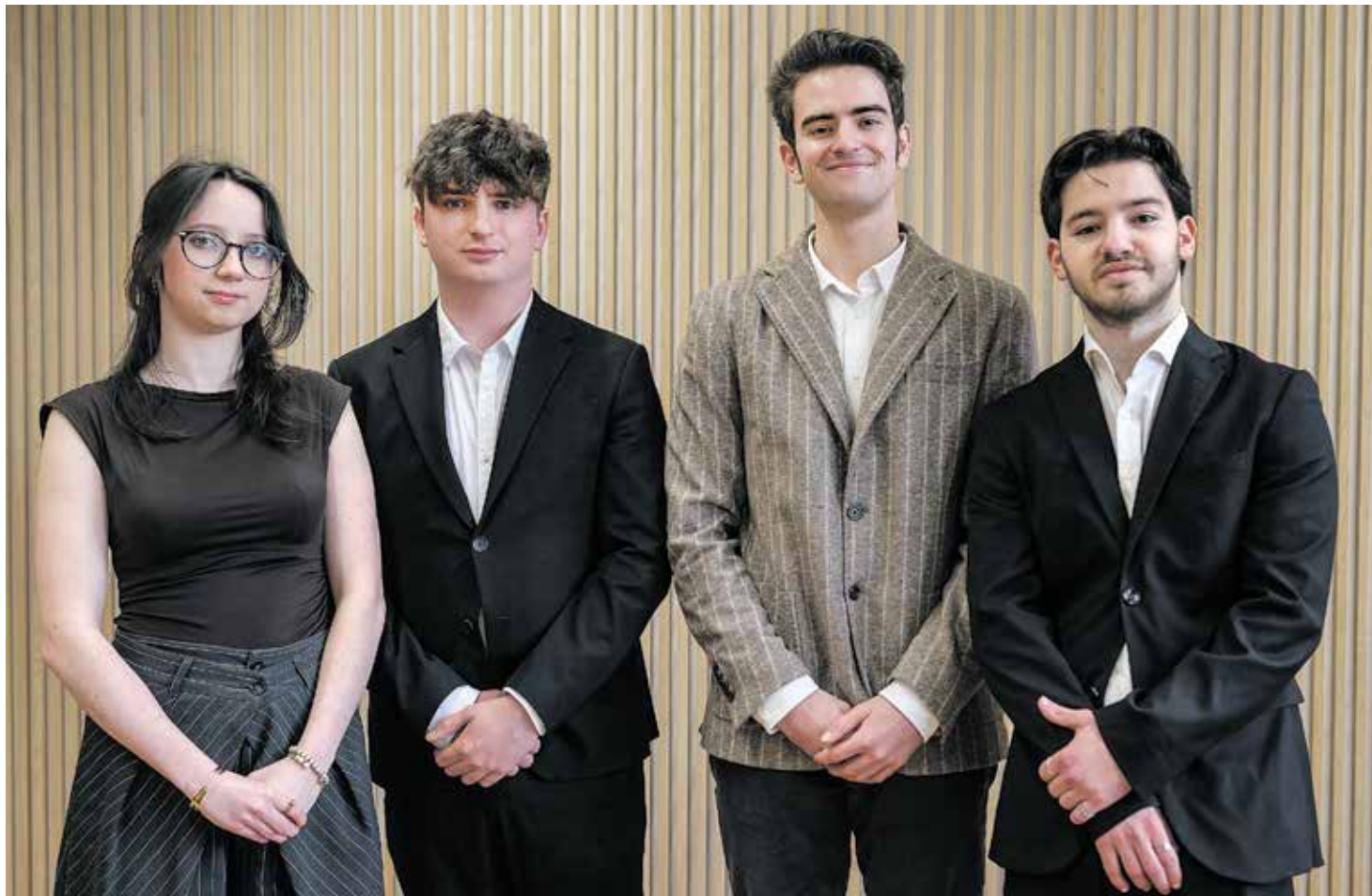
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NovUM SBE Council

Laurenz Schmidt, Ahmet Eskici, Lorenzo De Salazar, Ophélie Mazé, Karina Meyer, Adib Islam



Ophélie Mazé, Laurenz Schmidt, Lorenzo De Salazar, Ahmet Eskici

Your Voice. Your Skills. Your SBE

The world of business and economics is changing faster than ever, and our education needs to keep up. At NovUM, we believe in every individual as well as in the power of collaboration. You are the analysts, economists, and leaders of

the future — so your voice needs to be heard!

We are here to step in and turn your concerns into real, tangible outcomes. Our vision seems simple: to build a smarter, closer, and more practical SBE. To achieve this, we base our plans on two of NovUM's core values: Future-Proof

Education and Equal Career Opportunities.

We see missed potential regarding the correct use of modern tools at SBE. While some struggle with Excel, others perform true magic with Artificial Intelligence (AI). NovUM already advised on UM's overall AI policy over the last

few years, which now has to be brought into action. We want to push proper generative AI and advanced Excel modules as early as possible. Those courses will deal with the use of AI for coding, data analysis, and productivity, teaching you exactly “how to prompt” and “how to validate the output”, recognized by official certificates. We are convinced that your personal success should not be slowed down by a computer. Education goes far beyond the Lecture Hall and tutorials, which is why we advocate for more practical and real-life-based problems. Currently, exclusive student associations are the main gateway to work on real company cases. To make these opportunities more accessible to everyone at SBE, we want to expand faculty collaboration with the corporate world to enable more frequent events and workshops for everyone.

Eventually, you ask yourself: What do I do after my time at SBE? Right now, opportunities such as internships, networking, or career events are highly unevenly distributed. Students with an existing network stand out while others fall behind. Therefore, we campaign to build a transparent, centralized system that gives all students equal visibility and guidance on upcoming internship-opportunities, events, deadlines, and required skills. Alongside this, we will push for small, curated networking sessions to ensure quality access, not just overwhelming mass events.

Don't just study business, build the skills to lead it.

Make it happen, vote NovUM between April 20th and 24th!

SERVICE COUNCIL

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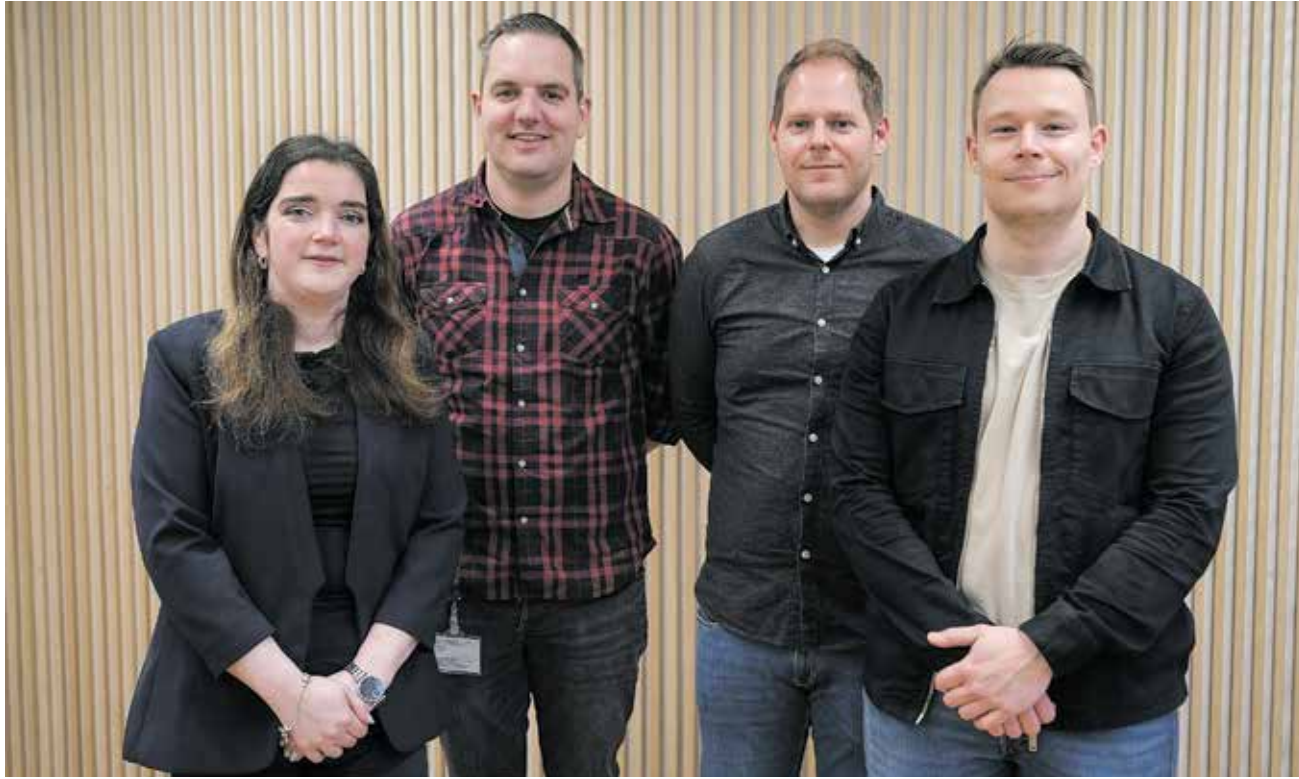
Armand Gelders
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Sanne Winkens
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SERVICE COUNCIL FS

Samen Werken, Samen Vooruit

Stefan Coumans, Frenk Lambie, Marleen van Minnen, Tom Pijnenburg



Marleen van Minnen, Frenk Lambie, Stefan Coumans, Tom Pijnenburg

NL De Universiteit verandert, en Facility Services verandert mee. Juist nu is het belangrijk dat medewerkers een duidelijke stem hebben in hoe deze organisatiewijziging wordt vormgegeven. Samen Werken, Samen Vooruit staat voor een open en constructieve dienstraad.

Wij geloven dat goede dienstverlening begint bij samenwerking tussen medewerkers, teams en management. Door signalen van de werkvloer serieus te nemen en deze actief in te brengen in de dienstraad, willen wij bijdragen aan transparantie, professionele (door)ontwikkeling en een vertrouwde werksfeer.

EN The University is changing, and Facility Services is changing with it. Especially now, it is important that employees have a clear voice in how this organizational change is shaped. Working Together, Forward Together stands for an open and constructive service council.

We believe that good service begins with collaboration between employees, teams, and management. By taking signals from the workplace seriously and actively bringing them into the service council, we aim to contribute to transparency, professional development and a trusted working environment.

Verbinden & Versterken

Daniella Marks, Nancy Moonen, Sandra Braakman



Nancy Moonen, Sandra Braakman, Daniëlla Marks

Facilitaire medewerkers zijn de ruggengraat van de universiteit! Wanneer zij goed samenwerken, leidt dit tot een gastvrije, schone veilige en efficiënte omgeving die bijdraagt aan het welzijn van studenten en medewerkers.

Wij, Daniëlla Marks, Nancy Moonen en Sandra Braakman, stellen ons kandidaat om jullie stem te vertegenwoordigen in de dienst-

raad FS. Als receptionisten zijn we altijd zichtbaar en aanspreekbaar voor iedereen die een vraag heeft of ergens mee zit.

Door samen te werken, kennis te delen en elkaar te ondersteunen, zorgen we samen er voor dat de universiteit een plek is waar iedereen zich thuis voelt en kan excelleren.

Samen sterk; stem op ons!

SERVICE COUNCIL ICTS

Laurent Winckers

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Ping & Respond 26-28

Sebastiaan Nijhuis, Boudewijn Geelen, Mike Moonen, Xander Lebesque, Edwin Hendriks

SERVICE COUNCIL MUO (NO ELECTIONS)

Josephine Knegtering

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Lijst JZ/Support Office

Miranda Franssen, Arnold Verhoeven, Nathalie Dirks

SERVICE COUNCIL SSC (NO ELECTIONS)

Lijst SSC

Koen van Kleef, KAJ Reijnders-Timmermans, Martijn Weyenberg

SERVICE COUNCIL UB (NO ELECTIONS)

Anke van Rhee

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Dienstraad UB

Sander Biesmans, Marieke Schor

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL STUDENTS

KAN x Volt UC

Clara Servais, Lea Passers, Milan Miljkovic, Lada Busarcevic, Niboguè Doumbè, Safia Hassani, Juliane Trabandt, Eloise Granger, Diego Meelis, Natalia Michalska, Apoorva Prabhu, Josephine Gerhard, Emma Cubiles Cueto, Isabele Greiner, Felipe de Carvalho



Diego Meelis, Lada Busarčević, Clara Servais, Christine Niboguè Doumbè, Juliane Trabandt

Dear Maastricht University student, On the 20th of April, you will be given a voice to choose who YOU want to be represented by in the university council. This is an incredible opportunity for you to voice how you want the university to develop.

Decisions taken by the council impact your daily life at the university, even if you don't know it. Ever seen an « Are you okay ? » sticker in the bathroom or gotten drunk from a reusable cup? That was us, KAN, along with many other impacts. With KAN, you rest assured to vote for motivated students who have at heart the interests of everyone at the university. But instead of empty words, here are our concrete proposals.

We want affordable, nutritious food in all canteens through a standardised provider for all faculties. We demand the installation of concrete psychological support, implementing at least one student psychologist per faculty, since the current system is very much improvable. We also aim to push for greater knowledge regarding councils and elections given their significant impact on the whole student population.

We advocate for cutting ties with any institution linked to a government committing genocide according to the 1948 UN definition.

We propose the creation of an 'Ethics Committee' allowing all students to discuss regional or international ethical issues and how they believe the university should address them. Furthermore, we are pushing for a more sustainable use of AI, providing alternatives such as EURIA.

Communication is central to our mission. We commit to increase the transparency on every decision regarding you. We will install a 'letter box' for students to directly contact the council regarding any concern or idea students might have for a more direct relationship between students and the council.

Ever used the Student Service Centre? We need to reform it to increase its presence and utility. Additionally, we propose imposing an automatic anonymous second grading if an exam or paper is failed by a small margin. All together, we aim at stimulating clear communication pathways between all university levels.

We have much more to offer, and we encourage you to check out our socials and website to discover all of our policies. We care deeply about these issues, and we guarantee we will not disappoint.

Let's build the university we want together. Vote KAN.

MSRP DOPE University Council

Dagmar Abbing, Luka van Seventer, Taeke Breeuwsma, Eva van der Veen, Tobias Serpenti, Bodine Bijl, Aron The, Olivier van Osch



Aron The, Dagmar Abbing, Taeke Breeuwsma, Eva van der Veen, Luka van Seventer, Bodine Bijl, Tobias Serpenti

Hi, we are MSRP DOPE, a party that has been active in the various councils since 1992. This year, we are once again running for the University Council for the academic year 2026–2027. Here's what we stand for and what we want to improve for students: we believe a university should truly put students first, both in and outside the classroom. Student well-being should be a clear priority, not an afterthought. Everyone should have access to support that is easy to find, inclusive, and genuinely helpful when it is needed most. At the same time, student housing remains a major issue. Too many students struggle to find a place to live, or end up paying too much. That's why DOPE is already exploring new ideas and locations to create better and more accessible student housing options. We want to push for long-term solutions, with a focus on creating more affordable housing in the city centre so students can live and study without constant stress.

Studying should also be practical and accessible. Many students don't know where they can study, or find that spaces are overcrowded. That's why we want to improve communication about available study places and extend library opening hours, especially during busy

periods like exam week.

We want to improve education. That's why we want to support better-structured PBL, provide clearer guidance, and ensure access to specialized tutors. Students should have courses that will help them achieve their future goals instead of just helping them pass exams.

AI is becoming more and more important in education, but right now, the rules are often unclear. We want clear guidelines and a reliable university-supported AI system, so students know what is allowed and can use AI in a safe and fair way.

We also think it's time for one central platform where everything comes together. Right now, information is scattered across different systems. A single platform, with an integrated AI tool, would make it much easier to find answers and get support quickly.

Finally, sustainability should be part of everyday university life. Simple steps like reducing paper use, using more digital materials, and improving waste separation can already make a big difference.

In the end, we want a university that works better for students, clearer, more supportive, and ready for the future.

List LEX-Motus

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Ana Ștefănescu, Sherife Su Mehmetaligullari

We are List LEX-Motus, a student representation party made up of students from different studies and backgrounds. To give you a better idea of why you should vote for List LEX-Motus, we want to tell you what we have done, what we are doing, and what we want to do with your vote.

Over the past year, we have been working on improving transparency within the university. For example, many students did not know that their activity on Canvas can be seen. We worked on raising awareness about this, both through our socials and by working together with the Observant to reach more students. But for us, the opinion of students is the most important. We organise GSAs where we listen to feedback from students, and we try to stay

in close contact through our socials to understand what is actually going on.

Currently, we are giving feedback on operational matters within the university, making sure that the role of education and students is not overlooked in larger projects, and representing students in the Student Wellbeing Advisory Board.

Next year, we want to continue building on this. As a party, we aim to make the most of the votes you give us. We are pragmatic and focused on getting things done for students. We want to keep improving transparency, work on better food quality and prices on campus, and make sure education stays at the centre of decisions. We also see that AI is becoming more important in education, and

believe the university should guide students better in how to use it, instead of leaving them to figure it out alone.

At the same time, we will keep working together with students to make sure their ideas and concerns are actually heard and acted upon. For questions, ideas, or anything else, you can always reach us through our socials or at listlexmaastricht@gmail.com.

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Vote List LEX-Motus. Your voice, in motion.

NovUM University Council

Matthieu Marienbach, Roos Goorman, Angela Chang, Rocío Megías Pellejero, Fation (Dimitris) Ymeri, Claudia Magis, Botond Moksony, Christian Klein, Ishaan Deshmukh, Maryam Hammam, Daniël Klunder, Marit Hansen, Celma Crespi, Gaelle Chatelain, Clara Monni



Daniël Klunder, Ishaan Deshmukh, Roos Goorman, Angela Chang, Matthieu Marienbach, Rocío Megías Pellejero

We, NovUM candidates for the University Council, are driven by these simple questions: What decisions actually improve students' lives? How can UM strengthen our education? How can we uphold the kind of integrity a university should have?

We have no interest in vague promises, symbolic politics, or grand plans that sound impressive but change little for students. We believe in planting trees whose shade we may never sit in, but also in making sure students benefit now. This year, we believe the following matters most:

1. A more affordable student life
Better and more affordable food on campus,

with more plant-based options. Housing that is affordable and a catalyst for student community. And continued support for affordable Dutch courses up to B2, so language is less of a barrier to participation, work, and building a future in the Netherlands.

2. A safer and more inclusive university
A university should not ask people to quietly adapt to exclusion, hostility, or indifference just to get through their degree. UM should guarantee that any and all students can move through campus life with safety, dignity, and a real sense of belonging. This means stronger disability and mental health support with sufficient staff, and evidence-based social and

sexual safety policies.

3. Better education and stronger student representation

Students notice when courses are poorly organised, feedback is unclear, or exams feel badly designed. Better teaching, clearer feedback and assessment, and stronger student input are the minimum if UM wants to live up to its claims of educational innovation. NovUM has identified enormous room for improvement and is uniquely positioned to coordinate joint initiatives across all six faculties and central UM.

4. A university that takes ethics seriously
A university should not go quiet when principle becomes inconvenient. On human rights

and on a fossil-free future, we want UM to take the brave stance, not the easy one, and make those choices visible in daily university life.

5. A university that stays true to its mission
Defending UM's international character in the face of political pressure, protecting English-taught education where it is true to UM's mission, standing up for the humanities and social sciences alongside STEM, bringing a reality-check to UM's naive approach to AI, and pushing back when large managerial projects - like the proposed MUMC+ merger - distract from education and community.

Vote for councillors who know the file, put in the work, and push back.

Seat for Students

Anna Gudimova



Anna Gudimova

Hey, my name is Anna Gudimova, and I am a double bachelor's student in Biomedical Sciences and European Public Health. Over the past years, I have been actively involved in student representation at FHML, currently serving as Vice-Chair of the Educational Programme Committee and President of the Student Council for Health & Life Sciences.

Student representation should not end after elections, yet too often, it does. Many students are left unaware of what their representatives actually achieve, or not. I want to change this by ensuring transparency through regular, accessible updates on Council discussions and decisions. Representation should also be a two-

way process. Students deserve the opportunity to share their concerns directly. I will establish clear communication channels to bring your ideas and issues into Council discussions, without filtering them through party interests as I am running independently of other parties. Finally, practical issues such as limited flexibility between faculties, for example when pursuing minors, show that student perspectives are still not integrated into decision-making. I am committed to working independently, transparently, and in close collaboration with students to ensure your voice is consistently heard and represented. Let's go the extra mile together!

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