

Innovative Universities Global Webinar

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October 19, 2023

Welcome to Innovative Universities Global Webinar

The development of Liberal Arts and Sciences in the Netherlands

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Construction of the webinar



60 min: 15-min presentation + discussion



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The development of Liberal Arts and Sciences in the Netherlands:

The case of University College Maastricht



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Systemic Challenges around 2000

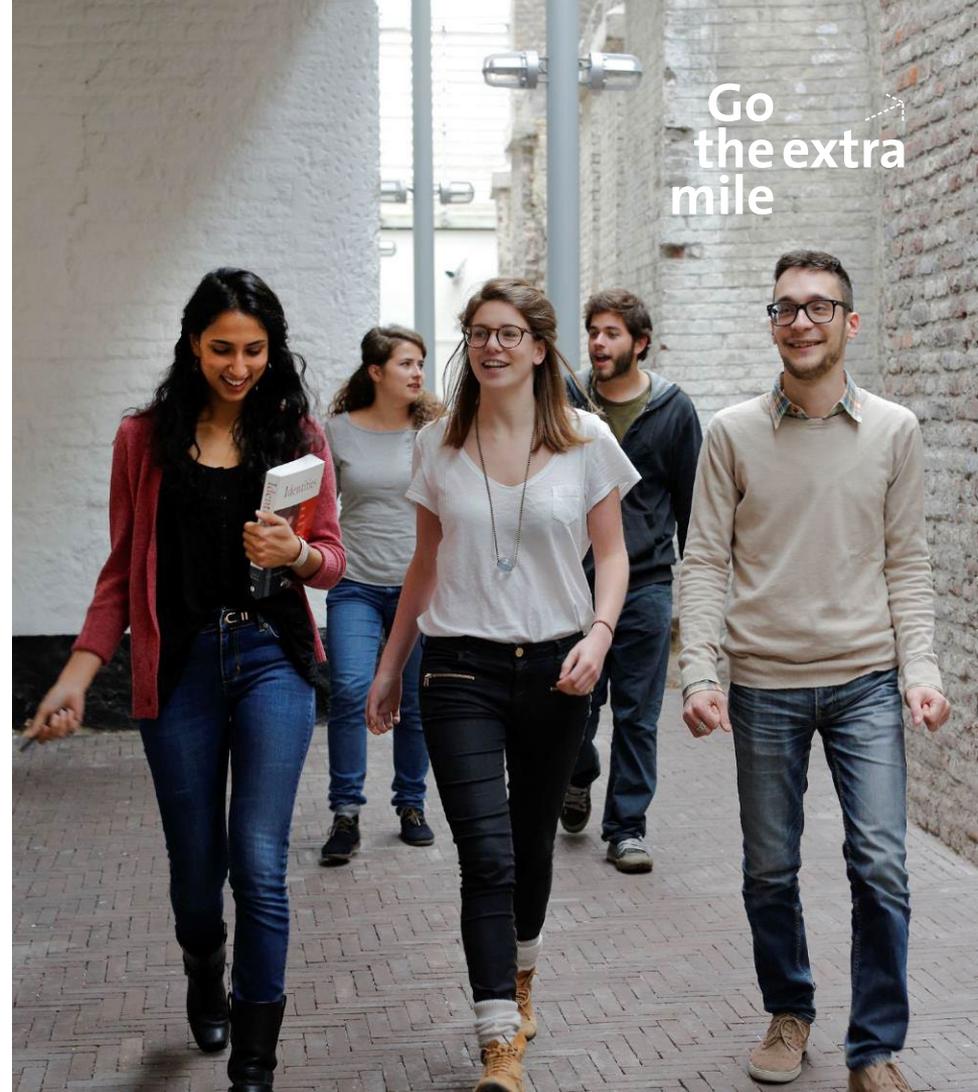
- High drop-out & switch
- Study delays
- Low engagement
- Emphasis on 20th and 19th Century Skills





What is UCM?

- Liberal Arts & Sciences Honours College of Maastricht University
- 3 year bachelor's programme taught in English
- Interdisciplinary & open curriculum
- Problem-Based Learning (PBL), small-scale
- Vibrant international community
- Non-residential



UCM Curriculum & study objectives

First year: exploring your interests, strengths, and opportunities

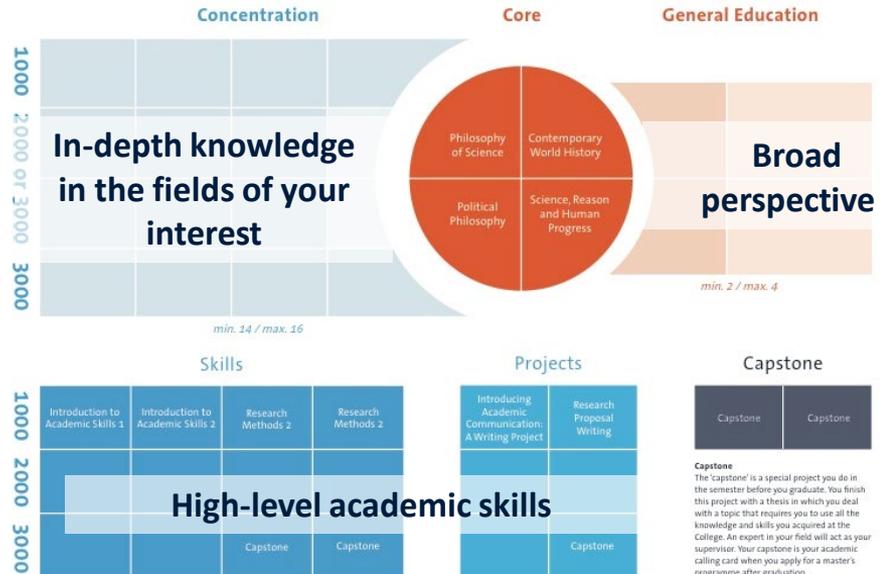
Second year: developing a sound concentration

Third year: deepening and focusing

Expanding your curriculum:

- Semester Abroad
- External Courses

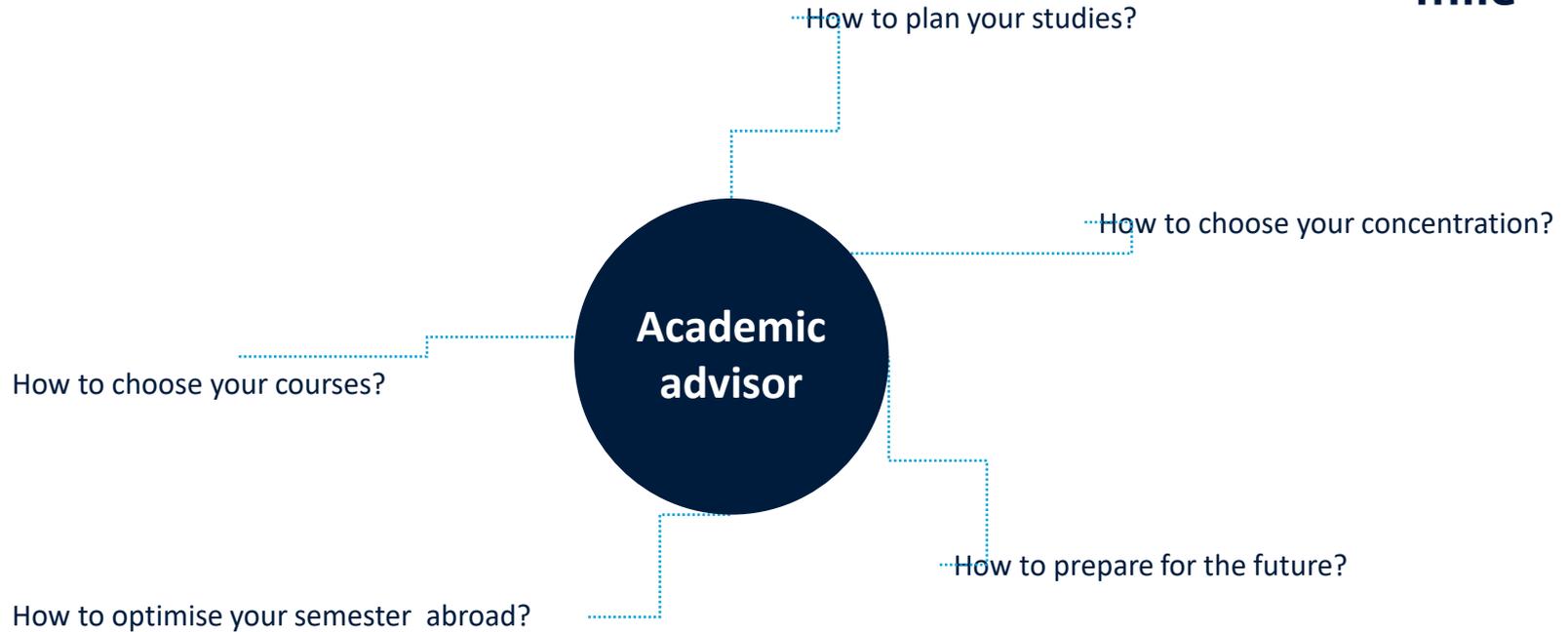
UCM PLANNING MATRIX



Capstone
The 'capstone' is a special project you do in the semester before you graduate. You finish this project with a thesis in which you deal with a topic that requires you to use all the knowledge and skills you acquired at the College. An expert in your field will act as your supervisor. Your capstone is your academic calling card when you apply for a master's programme after graduation.

Academic advising

Go
the **extra**
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Problem-Based Learning (PBL)

- Educational system of Maastricht University centred around the analysis and solving of problems
- Students in charge of own learning process
- Cooperation & self-study
- 10-16 hours in class per week + self study

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UCM an international academic community

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Top 15 Nationalities at UCM (May 2023)

1. Dutch	11. Luxembourgish
2. German	12. Romanian
3. French	13. Finnish
4. Italian	14. Hungarian
5. Belgian	15. Swiss
6. Spanish	
7. British	
8. American (USA)	
9. Polish	
10. Austrian	

- English-taught programme
- 50+ nationalities
- Over 70% international students



UCM Academic Community

Results

- Over 80% complete the program, relatively quickly
- High engagement (40 hours per week+)
- High student satisfaction
- Much student research
- Excellent track record in graduate programs





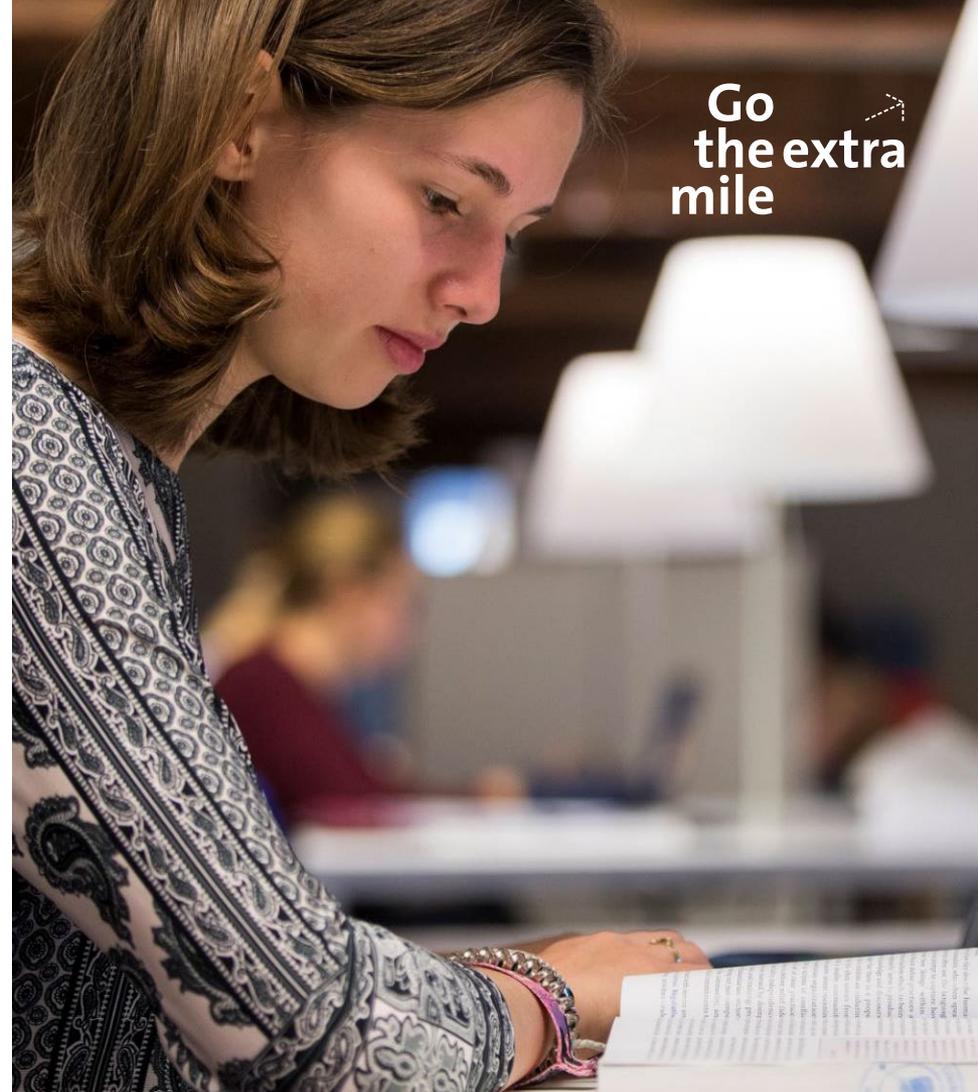
Enrolling in a master's programme after UCM

91% of our alumni pursued graduate education

Graduated from a master's programme:

- 24% graduated from one of the top 50 universities in the world (THE ranking 2016-2017)
- 17% graduated from one of the top 25 universities in the world (THE ranking 2016-2017)

73% were accepted into their first-choice programme



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Save the date:

**Thursday, November 2,
5PM CET**

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with focus on
Okinawa Institute of
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**Prof. Dr.
Ken Peach**

Professor Emeritus at Oxford,
Honorary Professor at Edinburgh

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