



FACT SHEET 2026/2027

INCOMING EXCHANGE STUDENTS

FACULTY OF SPATIAL SCIENCES

(Human Geography, Spatial Planning, Demography)

University	University of Groningen , Groningen, The Netherlands	
Erasmus code	NL GRONING01	
Faculty Units	Faculty of Spatial Sciences Department of Cultural Geography; Department of Demography; Department of Economic Geography; Department of Spatial Planning & Environment	
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Academic calendar	Autumn 2026 (Semester 1)	Introduction for exchange students: August 27 – 28, 2026 1st teaching term (semester 1a): August 31 – November 6, 2026 2nd teaching term (semester 1b): November 9, 2026 – January 22, 2027 <i>Departure before Christmas possible if home university semester starts in January</i> <i>Christmas break: December 21, 2026 – January 1, 2027</i> Re-exams semester 1a: January 25 – 29, 2027 Re-exams semester 1b: April 5 – 9, 2027
	Spring 2027 (Semester 2)	Introduction for exchange students: January 28 – 29, 2027 3rd teaching term (semester 2a): February 1 – April 9, 2027 4th teaching term (semester 2b): April 12 – June 11, 2027 Re-exams semester 2a and 2b: June 14 – June 25, 2027
Nomination (deadline)	Nomination and language proficiency requirements: see Information for partner universities Nomination deadlines: - for Autumn 2026 or academic year 2026/2027: April 15, 2026 - for Spring 2027: October 1, 2026 Nominations after April 15 / October 1 can be discussed, but housing options in international student housing may be minimal.	
Acceptance	Accepted nominated students receive an email, explaining all necessary next steps .	
Application	See Application	
Student Housing	Overview www.athomeingroningen.com (incl. international student houses through SSH). For more information see Practical information & dates	
Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Accepted incoming exchange students are required to take the course “Spatial Problems and Spatial Policies: The Dutch Experience” (10 EC), offered two times in each academic year.Exchange students can choose from many courses delivered in English at the Faculty of Spatial Sciences, and can request to take courses with a maximum of 10 EC at other Faculties of the University of Groningen. Bachelor students cannot take master level courses.See also Courses	