

Advisors Checklist for students interested in UCM



Are your students is interested in our program? That is great! A couple of things you should know:



The basics of being admissible:

Please make sure your student is at least a second year undergraduate student at your university at the time of participation and his/her average GPA is a 3.0 (B) or equivalent.

UCM is a full English taught program; we therefore ask that all students:

- *are native English or,
- *are currently enrolled in an English taught program or,
- *have conducted one of the following English proficiency tests with following minimum results:

IELTS: minimum overall score of 6.5

TOEFL: internet-based, overall minimum score of 90

Cambridge: CPE with a minimum score of C, or
CAE with a minimum score of B

Our academic year:

ACADEMIC YEAR					
Fall Semester			Spring Semester		
Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 4	Period 6
Course (5 ECTS) Course (5 ECTS) Skill (2,5 ECTS)	Course (5 ECTS) Course (5 ECTS) Skill (2,5 ECTS)	Project (5 ECTS)	Course (5 ECTS) Course (5 ECTS) Skill (2,5 ECTS)	Course (5 ECTS) Course (5 ECTS) Skill (2,5 ECTS)	Project (5 ECTS)
12,5 ECTS total	12,5 ECTS total	5 ECTS total	12,5 ECTS total	12,5 ECTS total	5 ECTS total
30 ECTS total max per semester			30 ECTS total max per semester		
60 ECTS total max per academic year					

UCM offers courses in these academic fields:

Social Sciences	Humanities	Sciences
Economics and Business Administration	History	Applied Mathematics
Sociology	Cultural Studies	Information and Computer Sciences
Political Science	Arts and Literature	Biomedical Sciences
International Relations	Philosophy	Biology
Public Policy		Biochemistry
International Law		Cognitive Sciences and Neurosciences
Psychology		
Statistics		

Academic Advising

Students can choose the course they are interested in, however there are a few things to keep in mind:

Most courses have prerequisites – we will look at the student's latest transcripts to see which courses or combinations of courses fulfil the requirements and thus will make the student eligible for that course.

Students choose out of approximately 150 courses in the UCM course catalogue.

Some universities do not acknowledge credits obtained through skills or projects. In that case the student will obtain less credits than the maximum of 30 ECTS per semester. That is fine with us as long as the home university approves of this.

Our program is considered demanding:

PBL – Problem Based Learning is a teaching method in which students gain knowledge and skills by working for an extended period of time to investigate and respond to an authentic, engaging, and complex question, problem, or challenge.

Reading in order to prepare for tutorials is ongoing throughout each period.

Continuous assessment is key at UCM.

Writing papers using APA style guide is an assessment form used often.
UCM uses an attendance requirement – 85% for most courses, 100% for some.

More information:

You can always email us with questions or requests. We are here to help you and to make sure your students are well prepared for their semester or year at UCM.

Our email address for students inbound to UCM is:
ucm-iro-incoming@maastrichtuniversity.nl

More information can be found at: www.ucm.nl/exchange

We are looking forward to meeting your students.

Our IRO- team:

Ina Engelen – IRO management and Alumni

Suzanne Beckers – International Relations Officer (outbound from UCM)

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