

Research Abroad at a Top European Research University



The banner features the EuroScholars logo on the left, which consists of a white circle containing a red square, a blue square, and a brown square. To the right of the logo, the text reads "UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH with the EuroScholars Program". Below the logo is the "with isa" logo. On the right side of the banner, it says "STUDY IN EUROPE" in blue, "9 TOP RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES" in red, and "IN 6 COUNTRIES" in red. The background of the banner is blue and white with diagonal stripes. To the right of the banner is a photograph of three students sitting on a wooden bench, studying with laptops and books.

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University in the spotlight: Leiden University

[Leiden University](#) was founded in 1575 and is one of Europe's leading international research universities. The university will celebrate its 441st anniversary on Monday, February 8th. [Click here](#) to view more about Leiden University and its role in the EuroScholars program.

The university has [seven faculties](#) in the arts, sciences and social sciences, spread over locations in Leiden and The Hague.



Facts and figures, the university at a glance:

- 2 Locations : Leiden and The Hague
- [16 Nobel Prize winners](#)
- 44 Bachelor's Programs
- 78 Master's Programs
- 105 Nationalities
- 25,800 Students
- 96,000 Alumni
- 411 PhD defences per year
- About 5,500 Scientific publications
- 2;800 International students
- 5,500 Staff

Ranking:

There are over 17,000 universities in the world. Leiden University is placed in the top 100 in the world in four leading international rankings. [These rankings](#) are based on various indicators and confirm the high quality of our teaching and research.

About our research:

[Our research](#) has a strong disciplinary basis across a broad range of scientific fields. Working from this basis, our researchers conduct both disciplinary and interdisciplinary research. All of our researchers have close links with society and are inspired by academic and societal issues regarding the future that they translate into fundamental research questions.

In order to stimulate interdisciplinary research, the university has designated [11 profile research areas](#) around which all Leiden research is centered. Creating networks and collaborating across the borders of disciplines are two core criteria that Leiden University considers to be of strategic importance in maintaining the quality and relevance of our research.

Leading academics shape our fields of research and are given the scope and the resources to excel. Time and again they demonstrate their prominent position in world research and are an example to our students. The presence of these leading academics gives Leiden University a good position in international rankings and in personal scientific subsidies and prizes. Our academics feature strongly in the Spinoza Prizes, subsidies awarded by the [European Research Council \(ERC\)](#), Innovation Incentives from the [Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research \(NWO\)](#) and Academy Professorships at [The Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences \(KNAW\)](#).

Many of our staff and students have won prizes over the past year. Others have been awarded a subsidy, or, because of their eminence in their field, they have been appointed member of an academic society or have taken up a position in the community. Reasons enough to be proud of them and to include them in our [2015 Hall of Fame](#).

Recently, [5 ERC grants were awarded](#) to researchers at Leiden University.

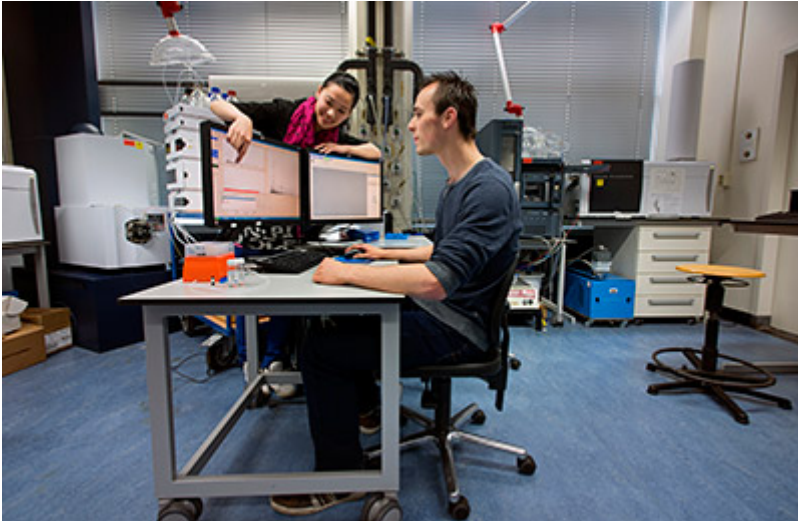
These subsidies of up to a maximum of two million euros will enable the researchers to further expand their scientific research. Leiden university also offers a variety of (ongoing) research opportunities for EuroScholars students, an overview can be found at the [EuroScholars website](#).

Occasionally, EuroScholars students are supervised by a researcher who has been granted one of the aforementioned subsidies / prizes. And in some cases, EuroScholars students also write a [joint-publication](#) with their research supervisor.



New research projects at Leiden University:
[“Operando Research in heterogeneous catalysis”](#)
[“Quantum Matter and Optics”](#)
[“Biological, Molecular and Soft Matter Physics”](#)





Examples of Innovation at Leiden University:

Innovation center for drug development on Leiden Bio Science Park:

Some 17,000 people work on the [Leiden Bio Science Park \(LBSP\)](#), developing new drugs and treatment methods. The Park is part of Medical Delta, a life sciences, health and technology cluster with a strong basis in research. It connects the LBSP with the most important universities and medical centres in the Delft-Rotterdam region. International pharmaceuticals company Grünenthal is to open an innovation hub on the Leiden Bio Science Park. The hub will make it easier for scientists and drug developers to work together.

LUMC (Leiden University Medical Center) offers free online course on transplantation:

The LUMC is the first medical institution in the world to offer a [Massive Open Online Course \(MOOC\)](#) on clinical kidney and pancreas transplantation.





EuroScholars students blogs:

Avery Nelson (University of Denver / University of Zurich, Fall 2015):
["9 Things You Probably Didn't Know about Zürich"](#)

Upcoming conferences 2016:

May 29 – June 3, 2016

NAFSA, Denver- Colorado

http://www.nafsa.org/Attend_Events/Annual_Conference/

Some of the members of the EuroScholars Consortium will attend the NAFSA. Would you like to schedule a meeting, please contact: Ms. Usha Mohunlol

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Or visit our session at NAFSA : "Undergraduate Research Abroad: Creating Global Opportunities". Presented by: Bart Hendrickx, Bessie Guerrant, Sibdash Gosh and Kathleen Horn. The session is scheduled on: Friday, June 3rd 2016, 9:30 – 10:30 AM

September 13 – 16, 2016

EAIE (European Association for International Education), Liverpool UK

www.eaie.org

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