What will be discussed?

- Study in the US
- Presentation former ISEP student
- What is the ISEP programme?
- Conditions for taking part in the programme
- Application procedure
- Finances
- Time schedule for application 2020/2021
- Further information / questions
Study in the US

- Why study abroad in the US
  - Academic
  - Language
  - Career
  - Personal growth
  - Country

- Different education system
  - Undergraduate and (post) Graduate programs
  - Private and Public (State) Universities
  - City vs. Country

- Period of exchange
  - Study programme
  - Seasonal
ISEP: International Student Exchange Program

- One of the largest study abroad membership networks in the world
- Non-profit, funded by the American government and member universities
- Member universities: > 140 American institutions

One Radboud student can go to the US for each American student who will study at Radboud University

**Radboud students receive in the US:**
- Exemption from tuition fees
- Housing (on campus, shared room)
- Meals (‘meal plan’ or reimbursement)

**American students receive in Nijmegen:**
- Exemption from tuition fees
- Grant for housing and meals
ISEP: What is expected of an ISEP student

• Exchange for 1 semester
• 1st year of degree programme completed (FSW-psychology 2nd year)
• Enrolled as regular full-time student at Radboud University (also during the period abroad in the US)
• Sufficient academic knowledge and interest
• Extra curricular activities
• Sufficient English proficiency (TOEFL test)
• Clear reasons and motivation for study in the US
ISEP: Application

How to apply?

1. Register in OSIRIS for a stay abroad

2. Apply online, go to:

www.isepstudyabroad.org/planning/how-to-apply
ISEP: Application - checklist

1. Biography
2. Program List (list of 10 universities)
3. Field of study for each university
4. Official academic Transcript of Grades
5. One academic reference
6. TOEFL score (and/or language evaluation)
7. Copy of your propaedeutic diploma
8. Personal Statement: letter of motivation about studying in the US
Where to find more information

• **Website**: [www.ru.nl/isep](http://www.ru.nl/isep)
  - checklist application
  - ISEP at Radboud – an overview

• **Website ISEP**: [www.isepstudyabroad.org](http://www.isepstudyabroad.org)
  - online application manuel
    practical information, including US country handbook
  - Check the websites of participating universities (US members) at [www.isepstudyabroad.org](http://www.isepstudyabroad.org) – Find a Program
    [www.youniversitytv.com](http://www.youniversitytv.com)
    [www.isepstudyabroad.org/blog](http://www.isepstudyabroad.org/blog)
Where to find more information

University of Alaska Southeast
Juneau, Alaska, United States

Northern Arizona University
Flagstaff, Arizona, United States

Hendrix College
Conway, Arkansas, United States

Arkansas State University
Jonesboro, Arkansas, United States

Pitzer College
Claremont, California, United States

California State University, East Bay
Hayward, California, United States

Chapman University
Orange, California, United States

San Diego State University
San Diego, California, United States

San Jose State University
San Jose, California, United States

California State University, San Marcos

Radboud University
### ISEP: Costs for the Dutch student

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<td>€ 2.143</td>
<td>(2020/21 for a whole academic year)</td>
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<td>Airline ticket</td>
<td>€ 600 – 1.000</td>
<td>Estimate, depends on destination</td>
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<td>Toefl-test</td>
<td>$ 255</td>
<td>(2019)</td>
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<td>Visa + Sevis Fee</td>
<td>$160 + $220</td>
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<td>ISEP health insurance</td>
<td>$ 90</td>
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<td>ISEP application fee</td>
<td>$ 475</td>
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<td>ISEP participation (living costs)</td>
<td>€ 3350</td>
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## ISEP: Sources of income for the Dutch student

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<td>Subletting your room</td>
<td>€ 300-500</td>
<td>per month (2019)</td>
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<td>ITG grant</td>
<td>Max. €1200 (€300 a month, max.4 months)</td>
<td>contribution in costs toefl-test and travel expenses (2019/2020)</td>
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<td>Reimbursement OVstudentenreisproduct</td>
<td>€ 95,51</td>
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### Schedule for ISEP application 2020/2021 round

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<td>12.30 – 13.15: Q&amp;A session on application (E 2.55)</td>
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<td>ISEP announces student placements for the first semester of 2020/2021</td>
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<td>Oct/Nov 2020</td>
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What do you need to take into account?

- A lot to do and organize for the application paperwork, search for information, reference letter etc
- A lot to do and organize after selection insurance, visa, grant
- A period of uncertainty; where will you be going?

But, it is all worth it:

- A great experience!
And now… let’s get started!

• Consult your study advisor

• Make an appointment for the toefl-test as soon as possible
  (Test results needs to be submitted before we nominate students to ISEP)

• Take care of your reference letter with professor/study advisor
  (Don’t wait until after Christmas)

• Make sure you finish and submit your online application completely on
  **15 January 2020 at the latest.**

• Q&A session for completing application,
  Thursday November 7, 12:30 – 13.15 at E 2.55

• [www.ru.nl/isep](http://www.ru.nl/isep)
Questions?
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Good Luck!