

## **Article 1. Study Recommendations First Year (BSA)**

1. At the end of the first year in which the student has registered for the propaedeutic phase but no later than 31 August, the committee on First Year Study Recommendations (*commissie Studieadvies Eerste Jaar*) delivers, on behalf of the dean, its opinion on whether the student should continue the full-time bachelor's degree programme as referred to in article 7.8b of the Higher Education and Research Act (*Wet op het hoger onderwijs en wetenschappelijk onderzoek*); hereinafter to be referred to as "the Act".
2. For the purposes of these guidelines, the 'propaedeutic phase' of the bachelor's degree programmes is understood to be the first period in a bachelor's degree programme with a study load of 60 ECs.
3. The committee on First Year Study Recommendations makes a positive study recommendation to the student if the student has obtained a minimum of: 44 ECs of the propaedeutic phase referred to in paragraph 2.
4. The committee on First Year Study Recommendations makes a negative study recommendation to a student if the student does not meet the requirements referred to in paragraph 3, unless personal circumstances as referred to in article 3 of these regulations should play a role. This negative study recommendation entails a binding rejection.
5. The committee on First Year Study Recommendations notifies the student of its intention to make the binding recommendation not to continue his or her studies and grants the student the opportunity to be heard before the negative recommendation is actually made.
6. For the calculation of the required number of ECs referred to in paragraph 3, the ECs that have been granted for exemptions are included. The student is heard by the committee on First Year Study Recommendations.
7. The committee on First Year Study Recommendations makes binding study recommendations to students who have registered for a part-time programme and to students who have registered for a full-time programme after 31 January respectively at the end of their second study year. The committee on First Year Study Recommendations makes a positive recommendation if all 60 EC of the propaedeutic phase have been obtained.
8. The provisions of this paragraph on binding study recommendations do not apply for students who have registered for part-time degree programmes.
9. The dean is authorised to lay down additional rules for the binding study recommendations – as meant in these regulations – that apply for students who have registered for two degree programmes recognised as dual degree programmes under or pursuant to these regulations.
10. Students who deregister before 1 March are not given any binding study recommendations for that academic year. If a student registers again for the same degree programme in the following academic year, the binding study recommendation for that student will be made at the end of

that second study year. The provisions of the last sentence of paragraph 7 of the present article apply equally.

11. A student may appeal at the Examination Appeals Board against a binding recommendation not to continue his or her studies within six weeks following this negative recommendation. The appeal has no suspensive effect.