Radboud Welcome Survey 2022
This report presents the key findings of the Radboud Welcome Questionnaire 2022, which is held yearly every September amongst all first-year bachelor’s students. We present the most noteworthy results, differences and changes over time.

The results, described in detail per faculty/programme and compared to those of other universities, can be consulted in this interactive dashboard.

**General Respondents**

1,078 first-year bachelor’s students completed the survey, representing 26.3% of all first-year bachelor’s students.

**Theme**

**Considered universities, moment of decision and first generation**

**Other university considered**

Percentage of students that seriously considered studying at a university other than Radboud University.

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**Moment of decision**

More than 1 year before starting at RU

- Sept - Dec 1 year before starting at RU: 22%
- Jan - Apr same year as start at RU: 40%
- May - June same year as start at RU: 19%
- July - Sept same year as start at RU: 10%
- I do not remember: 4%

**TOP 5 Most frequently considered other universities**

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<th>University of Groningen</th>
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<th>Tilburg University</th>
<th>Maastricht University</th>
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<td>17%</td>
<td>15%</td>
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**First generation**

Percentage first generation students (both parents with no academic degree).

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<td>2020</td>
<td>57%</td>
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<td>2021</td>
<td>55%</td>
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<td>2022</td>
<td>56%</td>
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THEME Study choice motives and image

**Image**
What image did you have of Radboud University before you came to study here?

- Positive atmosphere: 89% Dutch, 91% International
- Wide range of educational offerings: 82% Dutch, 81% International
- Space for talent development: 59% Dutch, 69% International
- Has an impact on society: 53% Dutch, 48% International
- Diverse & inclusive: 45% Dutch, 84% International
- Sustainable: 87% Dutch, 94% International
- Personalised education: 86% Dutch, 80% International
- Ground-breaking research: 71% Dutch, 60% International

**TOP 5 Why did you choose for this programme?**

**DUTCH**
- More interesting field: 79%
- Suited to my capacities/skills: 59%
- Contribution to society: 42%
- Make the best out of myself: 31%
- Professional opportunities: 27%

**INTERNATIONAL**
- More interesting field: 69%
- Suited to my capacities/skills: 55%
- Contribution to society: 42%
- Make the best out of myself: 42%
- Professional opportunities: 41%

**TOP 5 Why did you choose for Radboud University?**

**DUTCH**
- Better atmosphere: 60%
- City/student life: 59%
- Campus/facilities: 52%
- Shorter commute time to parents’ home: 47%
- People I know study here as well: 31%

**INTERNATIONAL**
- English programme: 59%
- Campus/facilities: 55%
- International character: 51%
- Better atmosphere: 50%
- City/student life: 39%

**THEME Radboud Intro**

Did you participate in Radboud Intro?

- Dutch: 88%
- International: 79%

**Grade**
How would you grade individual components of the Radboud intro and the orientation as a whole?

- The mentors: 9,1 Dutch, 8,6 International
- The Radboud Intro in its entirely: 8,2 Dutch, 8,0 International
- Radboud Events app: 8,0 Dutch, 7,7 International
- Degree programme: 7,7 Dutch, 8,1 International
- Celebration Christelijke Studentenvereniging Nijmegen: 7,1 Dutch, 8,0 International
- Sports day: 7,3 Dutch, 7,9 International
- Orientation market: 7,4 Dutch, 7,5 International
- Intro Festival: 5,7 Dutch, 6,9 International
- Online College Studying in an intercultural environment: 5,0 Dutch, 6,4 International
### Use of information activities and sources

**TOP 5 Information activities and sources**
- **Website of Radboud University**
- **Physical open day**
- **Written information (e.g. brochures or e-mails)**
- **Online open day**
- **A one-day, intensive information activity (e.g. student-for-a-day programme, open lecture)**

**TOP 3 Independent information sources**
- **studiekeuze123.nl**
- **qompas.nl**
- **Keuzegids Universiteiten (university guide)**

### International rankings
- **International rankings**
- **studieren-in-holland.de**
- **topuniversities.com**

### Living situation

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<td>73%</td>
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<td>4%</td>
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<td>Room in private house/building</td>
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### Effort
- **Percentage of students that had to go to (the) greatest effort to find their current accommodation.**

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## Experiences

Indicate to what extent the following statements apply to your current situation (up to the present day).

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<td>★★★★☆</td>
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<td>2. I am happy with the atmosphere at the university</td>
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<td>3. I enjoy coming to the university</td>
<td>★★★★★</td>
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<td>4. I feel at home at the university</td>
<td>★★★★★</td>
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<td>5. I have been able to make new friends</td>
<td>★★★★★</td>
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<td>6. I know where to turn to with questions about my studies at Radboud University</td>
<td>★★★★★</td>
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<td>7. I am satisfied with the information provided by Radboud University prior to the start of my studies</td>
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<td>8. I know where I can go within Radboud University if I need guidance outside my studies</td>
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<td>9. I feel like I am part of the Radboud community</td>
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### Difficulty and amount of work

What is your expectation regarding the difficulty level and amount of work during your studies?

- [Dutch](#) 64% Difficulty level high or very high 81% Amount of work a lot 77% Bachelor's degree 90% 78% 80% International

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**Bachelor's degree**

What do you think is your chance of successfully graduating from your bachelor's programme?

- Dutch 78%
- International 80%