

Dear HBM student,

We are looking forward to welcoming you at our university. Please find in this HBM welcome letter relevant information for your introduction period:

1. Arrival in the Netherlands
2. HAS Welcome days for all international students
3. HBM Introduction week including practical information to start the academic year

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1. Arrival in The Netherlands

We expect you to check pandemic measures carefully in August to ensure you arrive in The Netherlands in time to participate in the HAS welcome days starting Wednesday 24 August 2022 (for international students) and the HBM introduction week starting 29 August 2022 (for all students starting the HBM-programme).

2. Welcome days for all international students: 24 – 26 August 2022

The International Office will organize the welcome days: from Wednesday 24 August until Friday 26 August 2022. Attendance is compulsory for all new international students. The latest information can be found on our [website](#). International Student Association “ISA” is organizing an event including food truck on Friday 26 August 2022, and all new HBM-students are invited to join that event.

3. HBM introduction week: 29 August – 2 September 2022

The HBM team is looking forward to welcoming you all for the HBM introduction week, which will start Monday 29 August. The HBM introduction activities are for all students starting the HBM programme per September 2022. The introduction week is a great way to get to know each other and everyone involved in HBM. The introduction week activities are mandatory for all first year HBM students. Activities include:

Date	Activities	Location
Monday 29 August 2022 09.00am - 10.00am CEST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Welcome by HBM Programme Director + staff 	HAS University 2C-22/23
10.00am - 11.00am CEST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Kick off module Personal and professional development 1 ▪ Meet your coach + classmates ▪ Curriculum information + timetable ▪ Teaching methods 	HAS University To be announced
11.30am - 12.30pm CEST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Kick off module The horticultural sector 	HAS University 3A-23
13.00pm - 14.00pm CEST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Introduction to ICT, library, and lab facilities 	HAS University 2A-12
Tuesday 30 August 2022 09.00am - 14.30pm CEST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Teambuilding at Dommeltje ▪ Lunch 	HAS University
Wednesday 31 August 09:00am CEST till Friday 2 September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Classes start at 09.00am on Wednesday 31 August 2022 with kick off module Plant and environment 	HAS University To be announced

Academic year

One [academic year](#) has 4 terms of 10 weeks. Each week you have a study load of 40 hours, of which 30% is contact hours in the first year. Lectures, tutorials, project meetings and other class-activities can be scheduled from 8.30am to 18.00pm each day, requiring your availability for your studies app. 40 hours a week.

Curriculum year 1, term 1:

code	module	ECTS	term
HB1412	Plant and environment	8	1
HB1411	The horticultural sector	6	1
HB1408	Personal and professional development 1	4	1-4

Timetable and online classes

End of August the timetable will be published on HAS Intranet. During the introduction we explain where to exactly find your schedule(s), how to read and import these into your digital calendar. Next to that, we will give you further instructions on how the online classes work in practice and what applications we use.

Laptop, HAS Student e-mail address + login codes

There are no computers available for self-study at HAS University. We expect you to bring your own device. The minimum requirements for this device can be found here: <https://www.hasuniversity.nl/study-at-has/information-for-new-students/technical-requirements-laptop>. End of August you receive your account information such as your HAS e-mail and login codes. There are tutorials on how to access and install the required software. Please ensure to at least have a laptop with Microsoft Office including MS-teams available prior to the start of Monday 29 August 2022.

Costs for study materials, literature, and excursions

Expected costs for books and excursions in year 1 are around € 750,-. Each course has a course manual informing you about required study materials and excursions; these course manuals are available prior to the start of the course. Study materials may include; book(s), digitally available articles/books, reader(s) digitally available including the course manual.

We will ask you to buy a limited number of books prior to the start of courses; reference materials that will be used for the entire duration of the HBM-programme. Books can be ordered online/at any bookstore. Other study materials are made available digitally at the start of a course. Please find below the required books HBM year 1.

Literature list Horticulture and Business Management, year 1

Title	Material	Description	Edition	Price	Notes
Personal and Professional Development I	READER	Reader available at bookstore - readercode 40-0205	1		
Reader Market & Business Logistics - Chapter 1	BLACKBOARD				Available on BlackBoard
Study Manual: The Horticultural Sector	READER	Reader code 40-0208			Reader available at bookstore
Harvesting the Sun a profile of World Horticulture	BLACKBOARD	ISBN: 978 90 6605 704 3			Available on BlackBoard
Loupe	LOUPE				Available at the Bookstore Hurkmans
Research Journal	JOURNAL			€11,50	Available through "Schookassa" https://has.schookassa.nl/winkelen/selecteerCollege Select college -> select location Den Bosch -> select Horticulture and BM ->next -> select article Research Journal or transfer the money (€ 11,50) to IBAN NL29 RABO 0121 904 768 for HAS Opleidingen with the following reference 'Research Journal' BIC is RABONL2U
Laboratorium coat	COAT				Available at the Bookstore Hurkmans
PBL Study Guide	READER		2		Available on BlackBoard
Course manual Plant and Environment	READER	Reader code 40-0207	1		Reader available at bookstore
Essential Plant Pests and Diseases	READER		1	€12,50	Available on BlackBoard
Soil science and Plant nutrition	BLACKBOARD				Available on BlackBoard
Plant Biology: Pearson New International Edition, Graham, L.E.	BOOK	ISBN: 9781292053257 Publisher: Pearson UK	2	€60,-	Digitally available at bookshelf.studystore or as paperback.
Scientific Report Writing	READER				Available on BlackBoard

LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING YOU

Please be informed that HAS University is closed for the summer break as of Friday 15 July 2022 and will be opening its doors again on Monday 22 August 2022.

Should you have any questions and/or remarks, please do contact us.

If your questions are study and planning related, please contact me (m.putters-bruurs@has.nl).

If your questions are related to visa, housing, etc., please contact our International office (international@has.nl).

Looking forward to meeting you on Monday 29 August!

On behalf of the entire HBM staff,

Kind regards,

Maud Putters-Bruurs

Study Advisor



Students working in the school garden