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## Exchange at Leiden University Faculty of Governance and Global Affairs



Dear Exchange Partners and students,

Leiden University's Faculty of Governance and Global Affairs (FGGA) and Leiden University College The Hague offer a growing number of study opportunities for your students. To help you advise your students about these opportunities, we have compiled the following information for you about the different programmes and study options. Feel free to distribute this information sheet to your students.

Three FGGA Institutes offer courses or Minors for exchange students:

1. [Institute of Public Administration](#) is one of the largest and oldest institutes of academic research and teaching in the field of public administration in the Netherlands and is located in The Hague. The institute combines a solid international academic reputation with a central positioning among the international, national, regional and local governance institutions of The Hague.
2. [Institute of Security and Global Affairs](#) focuses on multidisciplinary research and education within the international scientific field of security studies and has a special focus on Cyber Security, Diplomacy and Global Affairs, Governance of Crises, Intelligence and Security, Physical Violence and Public Order, and Terrorism and Political Violence.
3. [Leiden University College The Hague](#) (LUC) is the international Honours College of Leiden University, offering an innovative and cutting edge Liberal Arts & Sciences programme to highly talented and motivated students from all over the world. LUC's teaching methods are intensive and small-scale. Through our residential setting and a variety of extracurricular activities, students are also stimulated to grow outside the classroom. The ultimate goal of the programme is woven into LUC's motto, 'Building Knowledge for a Better World'.

We welcome exchange students for fall only, spring only, and full year (starting in late August). In the columns below are the study options in short; the next pages contain further details of the programmes and links to the relevant websites.

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minor in Global Affairs</li> <li>• Minor in Intelligence Studies</li> <li>• Minor in Public Administration</li> <li>• Minor in Violence Studies</li> <li>• Minor in Cyber Security Governance Essentials</li> <li>• Minor in Sustainability, Climate Change and Food (more info tba)</li> <li>• Courses in Security Studies*</li> <li>• Courses in Public Administration*</li> <li>• Leiden University College</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Courses in Security Studies*<sup>^</sup></li> <li>• Leiden University College</li> </ul> 

\* Students taking these options have an opportunity to cross-register up to 10ECTS at other Leiden University Departments located at Leiden's [The Hague Campus](#), such as International Studies, Urban Studies, International Relations and Organisations, Public Administration, and Security Studies. All buildings at the The Hague Campus are very close to The Hague Central train station.

<sup>^</sup> Please note that the Security Studies programme has very limited capacity and course options in spring.

A minor is a coherent package of courses worth 30 EC (credits). Students taking one of the minors or who opt for an exchange at LUC cannot cross-register at other Departments; they are expected to take the full minor or all the courses offered by LUC, respectively. Full-year exchange students may switch to a different programme for Spring semester, e.g. they may start with the Minor in Intelligence Studies in fall and continue their exchange at LUC for spring.



## 1. FALL SEMESTER

*Please note: The online course catalogue will be updated in March. Make sure to select the correct academic year in the drop-down menu (AY 23-24). If the information is not available yet, please refer to the courses from last year (AY 22-23). In the meantime, keep an eye on the AY 23-24 updates.*

Both full-year and fall-only exchange students start with one of the following options.

### **Option 1-A – start with a Minor in the fall semester (choose one from below)**

- [Global Affairs](#) (30EC)  
The minor Global Affairs is built on two pillars of International Relations: International Security and International Political Economy. This minor aims to provide students with the tools and knowledge to understand the most important global trends and challenges. In the minor students will explore the relationship between geo-political shifts and power instruments in International Relations: in the political/military as well as in the financial/economic domain. Exchange students cannot choose all courses from the 'elective subjects' part of this minor. The electives that are open for exchange students will be published in the AY 22-23 course catalogue and marked with 'open for exchange'.
- [Intelligence Studies](#) (30EC)  
In this minor programme, students will learn about the structure, working methods, and the analysis techniques used by intelligence and security agencies in the Western world. The programme focuses on cyber intelligence, spy cases during the Cold War, intelligence failures, and the position and powers of intelligence services in the democratic legal order. Exchange students cannot choose all courses from the 'elective subjects' part of this minor. The electives that are open for exchange students will be published in the AY 22-23 course catalogue and marked with 'open for exchange'.
- [Public Administration](#) (30EC)  
This minor is suitable for students who have a broad interest in the functioning and improvement of the public sector in all its facets. This necessitates attention for the interactions between public and private actors at various levels of governance, and requires an understanding of how research is conducted in public administration.
- [Violence Studies](#) (30EC)  
In this minor programme, students will become familiar with the nature and scope of violence; the ways in which it impacts public order, and the ways in which society can respond to and, ultimately, prevent violence. This minor program is a joint programme with the Faculty of Governance and Global Affairs and the Faculty of Social Sciences. Courses will be taught in Leiden and The Hague.
- [Cyber Security Governance Essentials](#) (30EC)  
The minor Cyber Security Governance Essentials is open for students with an interest in socio-technical challenges who want to delve into the technical and governance aspects of cyberspace in general and cybersecurity in particular. This minor program is a joint programme with the Faculty of Governance and Global Affairs and the Faculty of Science. Courses will be taught in Leiden and The Hague.
- Sustainability, Climate Change and Food (more info tba)  
This is a new minor programme with the Faculty of Governance and Global Affairs. Courses will be taught in The Hague.

### **Option 1-B – start with courses from the BSc programme in Security Studies**

Security and safety challenges rank among the most pressing issues of modern times. Challenges such as cyber-crime, terrorism, and environmental disasters impact the lives of millions across the globe. These issues also rank high on the agenda of politicians, international organizations and businesses. They also feature prominently in the public conscience and in governmental policies. A limited number of courses from this programme will be available:

- [Introduction to Security and Safety](#) – mandatory introduction course when applying for Security Studies courses marked with ~)
- [Case Study Syria](#) ~
- [Vital Interests](#) ~
- [Law & Security](#) ~
- [Governing a Global World](#)
- You may cross-register for up to 10EC at different Departments, such as [International Studies](#), [Urban Studies](#), [International Relations and Organisations](#), and [Public Administration](#).



### **Option 1-C start with courses from the Minor in Public Administration**

- Take up to 30EC from the Minor in [Public Administration](#)
- You may take up to 10EC from different Departments, such as [International Studies](#), [Urban Studies](#), [International Relations and Organisations](#), and [Security Studies](#) (see courses under Option 1B - limited availability).
- Students who have the appropriate level of Dutch proficiency (B2) may take any course from the BSc programme in Public Administration.

### **Option 1-D start with courses from Leiden University College (LUC) The Hague**

LUC is the international honours college of Leiden University (and recently [ranked no. 1](#) in the Netherlands!), offering a liberal arts and sciences programme thematically organised around the Global Challenges of the 21st century: Peace & Justice, Diversity, Sustainability, and Prosperity. This highly interdisciplinary programme has a lot to offer, with more than 280 courses each year across six interdisciplinary [Majors](#), six LUC [Minors](#), [Global Citizenship](#) courses, and [Research Clinics](#). Law courses are co-taught by Leiden University's renowned Law School.

Exchange students are free to select almost any course from the programme and are not bound to their major at their home university. Because LUC is an Honours College, its level and assessments are higher than regular programmes, but equally rewarding. Classes are small (up to 22 students per class), which allows a high level of interaction and participation during class.

## 2. SPRING SEMESTER



Full-year exchange students are allowed to switch to a different programme within the Faculty of Governance and Global Affairs, allowing them to benefit fully from all the study opportunities the Faculty offers. These are the two options:

### **Option 2-A – continue with/switch to courses from the BSc programme in [Security Studies](#)**

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- [Case Study Fukushima](#) (10EC)
- [Cyber Threats](#) (10EC)
- [War and Peacebuilding](#) (10EC)
- [Economics of Safety and Security](#) (5EC)
- You may cross-register up to 10EC at different Departments, such as [International Studies](#), [Urban Studies](#), and [International Relations and Organisations](#).

### **Option 2-B continue with/switch to courses from [Leiden University College \(LUC\) The Hague](#)**

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Naturally, we also accept exchange students for spring semester only.

Note that Leiden University has two campuses and that all the programmes listed here are offered at The Hague Campus, which is just 10 minutes away from the city of Leiden. As you can see, there are many different options available for incoming exchange students! We look forward to welcoming your students to The Hague next academic year!

Please do not hesitate to let us know if you or your students have questions about an exchange term at our Faculty. Feel free to contact us at [international@fgga.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:international@fgga.leidenuniv.nl).