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Dear prospective student,

With this letter we would like to welcome you to the Faculty of Science and Engineering (FSE) of the University of Groningen (UG) and inform you about the most important issues regarding the start of your pre-master or fast-track programme in 2022/2023.*

Introduction event

Your degree programme will organize an introduction event for all newly arriving pre-master and fast-track students on **Thursday**, **1 September 2022**. During this event, you will be informally introduced to general matters in and around the faculty. And you will receive additional important practical information about your programme. Please check the <u>schedule</u> and the <u>information package</u> of your programme to find all details about your introductory meeting. We strongly encourage you to be present, in order to make a smooth and fun start of your study time at our faculty!

Registration for your programme

Please ensure that you complete your university registration on time, following our <u>online information</u> about this subject. This also includes the payment of your pre-master fee or the delivery of your proof of payment (only for fast-track students)*. You can always check the status of your registration in Studielink, or contact <u>Information Services</u> in case you have questions about this issue.

Start of your programme

The exact content of your programme is stated in the official letter of admission that you have received before. <u>Time tables</u> will be published online, please check from August 15 onwards. Furthermore, you may find <u>all locations</u> of our Faculty online.

Personal account and computer applications

You have received an email with information about your username and password (representing your personal computer account), after enrolling for the programme through Studielink. The username is identical to your student number, preceded by the letter 's'. Your computer account

^{*}Note that this letter is sent to all FSE pre-master / fast-track applicants. Receiving this letter does not mean that you have now been admitted to the programme, or have been registered at the University of Groningen. Admission and registration are independent processes, for which other communication channels are in use.

provides access to the university computer applications. Please follow the instructions in that email to activate your account, and also check if your account is working correctly: you can log on to one of the computer applications that are explained in a separate document in the information package. Please also use the same document to familiarize yourself with the most important computer applications of our university, such as the Student portal / Nestor, Ocasys, ProgressWWW and the University email service. If you experience problems, or lost your account details, please contact the CIT servicedesk.

Student portal

The <u>Student portal</u> (tab Study Info) serves as the primary source of information for students. For example, it provides detailed information about your future Master's degree programme and the tracks/ specializations therein, course units in the programme, etc. Please use your computer account to log on to the student portal, and read the relevant general information which is also applicable for you as premaster- or fast-track student (for example: course registration). Extensive information about the programme will also be provided during the introduction day.

Academic advisor

Academic advisors assist students in finding solutions to any problem encountered in and around the university. They also provide information about the degree programme: basically, they are a walking encyclopaedia, available for you to find the way in and around your degree programme. The academic advisor is also available for assistance, in case you have questions about (the preparation for) your degree programme. Contact details of all FSE academic advisors are published online. The academic advisor during your pre-master or fast-track programme will be the same advisor as for your (future) master degree programme. Please note that he/she may be partially absent in the summer period. If you encounter problems or have questions during the summer, please first check our online contact information to find out how/where you can find a solution or answer.

We wish you a pleasant summer, and hope to welcome you on September the first!

Best regards,

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