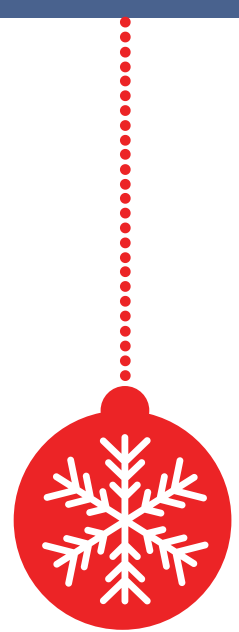


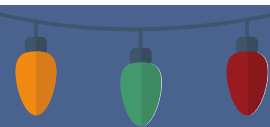
CAERUS NEWSLETTER



11th Edition



EDITION NO. 11



**Find out what Caerus has been up to
and what you can look forward to!**

The Caerus Newsletter is a monthly newsletter intended to give you all the ins and outs of our Study Association. Informing you on all the Board has done in the past month to better the community and show that we are not just sitting around during these times. In addition, you can read about other awesome stuff such as committee updates, announcements and upcoming events you can participate in!

Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or like to add something, reach us on Facebook, Instagram or email us at info@caerus-ucg.com

CHRISTMAS WISHES

Caerus wishes you happy holidays!



Dear Caerus members,

We as a Board would like to wish you an amazingly festive December and a happy new year!

This year has not been the blast we all had hoped for but let's look positively into the future towards a better 2021. May the new a year be filled with many new connections, exploring new places and greater freedoms.

For now, we hope you are making the best of the situation and if not, definitely keep reading because Caerus and all the fun it has to offer might just bring back the holiday spirit you are missing!

Festive hugs and kisses,

The Caerus Board  



BOARD UPDATES

What have we been up to?



Happy Sinterklaas!



Before the Dutch tradition of Sinterklaas would take place on the 5th of December, the Caerus Board came by all hardworking students, both in class or in the study canteen, to spread some Happy Sinterklaas vibes with tasty 'speculaas' and 'pepernoten'. We hope you enjoyed our festive disruption of you class or study session and that you had a lovely Sinterklaas this weekend!

Join the Caerus Whatsapp chat

There have been many discussions and comments over the years about the event 'spam' in group chats. This is why we have decided to set up a chat to centralise all that one has to know about Caerus. It is called the 'Caerus Events and Updates' chat. We hope of course that you're already in there. If you are not, don't miss out and join the chat via this link <https://chat.whatsapp.com/E0FEmA92HrpGxUnjeaRZXX>

Here some reasons why this chat is an improvement:

Only the Caerus Board and Committee Chairs are admins, meaning that they are the only ones who can send messages. Therefore, there will be no spam and in case you have any more questions you can also find contact information in the chat description.

Make sure to add yourself to the chat to receive all Caerus updates and event information!

Meeting with first year student Aaron

Two weeks ago Birgit, Julius and Aaron met up to talk about how the UCG community could become even stronger and better connected. This meeting showed the disconnect and how - through the joining of forces between all years, UCG and Caerus - we can fix this problem.

This has already led to some very fruitful steps; The First Years Taskforce!

This taskforce was set up especially for all first years who would like to participate in the UCG community! The first events are already being set up now, so look forward to a fun and collaborative future!

If you would like to become a part of this task force, please send an email to chair@caerus-ucg.com.



Advisory Council

On the 4th of December the Board had its second meeting with the Advisory Council (members: Bart Swinkels, Amy Horsford, Bethany Wong, Eva van der Hulst and Yoram Sennekool). In this two hour meeting, the present board members asked for feedback on their performance so far and updated the Advisory Council on all current affairs going on in Caerus. Furthermore, the board asked for advice on several points such as changes to the policy manual changes, plans for the Alumni Network and the current situation of Caerus during the COVID-19 pandemic. One major decision we could make as a result of this meeting is that we will not apply for the ANBI status. After having done more research and getting input from the Advisory Council we have concluded that an ANBI status would not be very suitable for our study association and that benefits that the ANBI status brings are already available to us through our study association status. With this information we can make a check behind the ANBI status research we wanted to conduct as mentioned in our policy plan.

This meeting helped a lot in all respects such as feedback, input and guidance. Thank you very much to the Advisory Council!

Faculty Council meeting

In November we met with the Faculty Council for the first time and we are excited to collaborate with them! More than anything, it appears that the Faculty Council is way closer to the academic needs of UCG than we are, and collaborating with them will help us ensure that we can also provide events that help all of you in this regard.

CUOS Board Grant application



At the end of November we finally handed in our CUOS Board Grant application. The CUOS Secretary has confirmed that the documents we have sent in are complete. This means now we have to wait for the evaluation and feedback of our application.

Now on to the next Grant Application, the Sustainability Subsidy!

Study Support Groups

During this year, we have been in close contact with UCG's study advisor to set up a collaborative effort to provide Caerus members with an opportunity to work, gather and study together. We are currently planning to roll this out somewhere in the next month. For now, we are curious to know what YOU want from these study groups. What type of cooperation do you want to have with fellow students? What resources do you want to have easier access to? What guidance do you need? If you have suggestions, please mail cao@caerus-ucg.com. Big thanks!

Campus Fryslân meeting

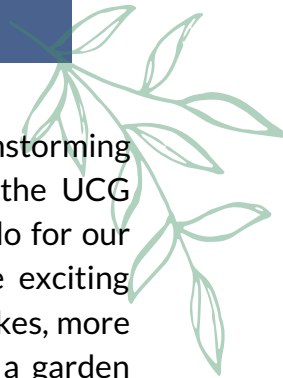
On the 13th of December, the Board had a meeting with the new study association of University College Fryslân and Campus Fryslân; Nobis Cura Futuri. The contact between both study associations had already been set up last year and will continue further this year. Caerus is offering its knowledge and skills in order to help Nobis Cura Futuri to help out with difficulties and answering questions that pop up. Next to helping out Nobis Cura Futuri, this meeting was also a way to get to know each other and discuss the possibilities for collaboration. Overall, it was a very successful meeting and Caerus is looking forward to creating awesome events together!

Meetings with UCG event coordinator

Throughout the past month or two, we have been meeting regularly with UCG's new event coordinator Eva Smidt. We are excited about this collaboration as these meetings have helped us identify not only what we can do in collaboration with the faculty, but also what the faculty can provide to us in terms of resources and networking for any events that benefit both the faculty and us.

Green Subsidy Brainstorming

Earlier, we had a brief brainstorming session with some members of the UCG Green Office regarding what to do for our Green Subsidy application, some exciting ideas came up: phone-charging bikes, more plants in the SA Room, creating a garden for Caerus members and some more ideas. Now we will assess how feasible these ideas are and will implement them in our application for the Green Subsidy application.



Mental Health Tool

Through the university, we have gotten access to some resources that may help one's mental health during these troubling times, be sure to check it out on our website, [here](#)!



Makro, Sligro & Hanos

We have successfully registered for cards at Makro, Sligro and Hanos. From now on our committees will have access to these when needing to purchase items or food for events.



UCSRN UPDATES

University College Student
Representatives of the Netherlands



UCSRN Buddy UCT

The Caerus Board is happy to let you know that we have had our first few meetings with University College Twente (UCT). During our meetings we talked about possible collaborative events and we took some time to get to know each other.

Make sure you keep an eye out on our website to see what events we have in store for you! The goal of the events will be to integrate UCT and UCG students with each other, meaning you will get to meet students from UCT :).

PS: Did you know that UCT has a FISH committee that takes care of the fish in their S.A. Room? Maybe something for our swimmy friends too?



UCSRN Pen Pals

During our UCSRN meetings we thought that it might be fun to set up UCSRN pen pals. Having a pen pal would give you the chance to (safely) get to know other people from outside of UCG. The idea is to set up our members with members from different UC's. If you're interested in this make sure to regularly check out our website or send our UCSRN Social Representative a text (+316 13623286).

COMMITTEE UPDATES

What your favorite committees have been up to!

Online Comittee Fair & Pubquiz

On the 18th of November, we had our second committee fair. During the fair all of our committees gave a short presentation. These presentations were followed by a question round and after that a PUBQUIZ with as our winner Ece. If you were not able to make it to the pubquiz feel free to send an email for more info to our cao's (cao@caerus-ucg.com) or check out our website :).

Green Office Mindflix

The Green Office watched the new David Attenborough documentary "A life on our planet" via teleparty. Everyone had a good time watching this eye-opening documentary and had the chance to discuss the movie afterwards.

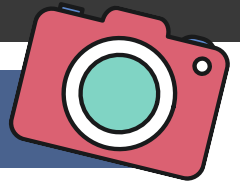
Civitas: Secret Santa

HO HO HO

It is that time of year once again and there is no better way to celebrate than by sending a cute gift to a dear friend at UCG. Check out the poster on the right and participate in this lovely initiative [here](#).

All proceeds will be donated to fund research into Huntington's Disease!

PIXEL



PIXEL has currently a photo contest going on. The photos that describe 2020 the best, will win. For more info check out the event [here](#).

/SLASH/

In the past month, /SLASH/, the journal committee, has published 6 new articles. Making it one of the most successful committees Caerus has!

/SLASH/ touches upon some serious matters like privilege appreciation of what you have. It might be hard to hear at first read but after finishing the article you will feel more grateful. Something that is very fitting with this time of the year, so definitely don't miss out!

Find them on the Caerus website or find them on instagram @slash_ucg

CIVITAS' SECRET SANTA

1. Fill the form
2. Select a card + present
3. Write a personal message

WE'LL DO THE REST!

All revenue donated to Harrie Kampinga;
Research for Huntington's Disease.

Sing up on the CAERUS website until 13th December!

LOOKING FORWARD

What to keep an eye out for!

Want something added to the monthly newsletter?
Email secretary@caerus-ucg.com before the last Friday of the month.

Civitas Charity lecture

Get ready for a fun and educational evening. Civitas has organised a wonderful talk about the story behind the beer caps by Harrie Kampinga and Melanie Kroezen. They will be speaking about Huntington's Disease and the impacts of having it. Start saving those beer caps!

DATE: 14TH DECEMBER
TIME: 20:00 - 21:30



THE STORY BEHIND THE BEERCAPS:

IMPACTS OF THE HUNTINGTONS DISEASE

with Harrie Kampinga, and Melanie Kroezen

20:00- What is Huntington's Disease? The beer cap action
20:20- Campagne Team Huntington: entrepreneurs view
21:00- Kampinga's research in the Netherlands
21:20- Q&A

Sign up for free in
the CAERUS website



Career events

The Career Team is currently working hard to set up helpful and interesting events for you! We are currently developing an interview concept called fUtureVisions. We will invite special guests that have made interesting choices in their academic and/or professional career, work in a specific field of interest to UCG students or have achieved something remarkable. We aim to inspire and inform students by setting up an engaging interview followed up by a Q&A. This is a great opportunity to find out more about a certain study/workfield or to ask for advice on whatever topic is relevant to you! More about this soon! :)

PS: Are you interested in being our special guest or do you know anybody who could be?
Please send us an email to career@caerus-ucg.com

