

CAERUS NEWSLETTER

15th Edition



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**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. Sometimes you can also find some external opportunities to make use of!

Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or like to add something. Email us at info@caerus-ucg.com



CALL FOR THE 7TH CAERUS BOARD

DEADLINE EXTENDED: 18th of April!

As previously announced, we are currently looking for the new Caerus Board of 2021/2022. If you are interested in being on the 7th Caerus Board next association year and would like to manage our lovely study association, let us know! If you would like to have some general information on what it is like to be on the Caerus Board, you can send an email to info@caerus-ucg.com. If you are interested in a certain position and would like to know more, check out our [website](#) and contact the following people for more questions:

Chair (Birgit Eggink): chair@caerus-ucg.com

Secretary (Zoe Reining): secretary@caerus-ucg.com

Treasurer (Eleni Syriopoulos): treasurer@caerus-ucg.com

Committee Affairs Officers:

- Internal committee affairs (Julius Westerhoff): cao@caerus-ucg.com
- Internal committee affairs & UCSRN representation (Eva Douglas):
ucsrnsocial@caerus-ucg.com

External Affairs Officer (Geanne Welp): external@caerus-ucg.com

Don't be afraid to contact us, we are happy to answer all kinds of questions!

[Apply here!](#)

The application deadline has been extended and is now the **18th of April, 23:59**.



BOARD UPDATES

What have we been up to?

Third General Assembly: Policy Amendments



As you might have already heard, this association year we will have an additional General Assembly which will help to professionalise Caerus. Due to the Corona Crisis, this year we have not been able to focus too much on activities and events. Therefore, we have been looking more into Caerus' rules and regulations such as the Caerus Policy Manual.

At the upcoming General Assembly we would like to vote on these policies that we have been working on so hard. To get a bit of an insight, these policies include a framework for honorary members of Caerus as well as policies about environmental sustainability within Caerus.

We are in regular contact with the Advisory Council in order to make our suggested policies as clear as possible. Thank you to the Advisory Council for all your work on reviewing our policies!

The Caerus Board is looking forward to presenting and discussing these policies with you at this next General Assembly.

Please save the date: Evening of the **10th of May** (exact time is still to be announced) and help us make a great step forward and improve Caerus. See you there!



Updating our Privacy Policy



During the last weeks, the Caerus Board has been working on updating the Privacy Policy. Currently, it's rather outdated and we feel like it is important that documents like these are precise and accurate. As you may all know, we are no legal professionals but we have asked for help from the faculty. They have recently hired a new Privacy & Security Coordinator, Francien Broekhans, who has offered to help us out. We have already had a first meeting with her and received some valuable advice. We hope to present the updated Privacy Policy at the next General Assembly.

Internationalisation Grant



Despite mentioning it in our Policy Plan, we have decided to not apply for the Internationalisation Grant this year. Next to being overwhelmed with our uni work, as well as other board tasks, we believed our ideas were not concrete enough to apply.

One idea we had it to use the Internationalisation Grant for the 'Language Cafe' or another similar concept. An example of this would be having some Dutch lessons to help incoming international students get familiar with the language. We hope that the next Caerus Board can make these ideas more concrete in collaboration with our committees and then successfully apply for the Internationalisation Grant!





Green Subsidy



If you have not already heard the fantastic news at our General Assembly and the previous newsletter, then here it is again: Our Green Subsidy Application has been approved by the Green Office Groningen. In our proposal we suggested that Caerus could have its own garden to grow flowers, food and herbs for its own Caerus events. Furthermore, we would like to teach Caerus members a certain way of storing food, called "wacking". The full proposal has been approved which means that we will get refunded an amount of 431,95€ for gardening equipment and preservation material. We aim to slowly get started with the garden in Block 4 with a Gardening Team and then fully start of the Caerus Garden after the summer. We can then transform the Gardening team into a committee. If you love gardening or simply want to learn about gardening, please let us know by sending an email to info@caerus-ucg.com so we can set up a Gardening Team very soon and start buying the materials for our garden!

Here you can find a screenshot of the Green Office's decisions on our application. If you would like to read our full proposal, please let us know by sending an email to info@caerus-ucg.com

Below you will find the assessment of your application.

- **Approved** - Garden material worth €267,95

We really like the idea of setting up your own garden. Garden material is definitely necessary to start this garden.

- **Approved** - Gardening equipment worth €88,10

Similar to above, you do need these materials to maintain the garden. We highly recommend you try and get the equipment second hand. Second-hand equipment is more sustainable in every way and is probably even cheaper as well.

- **Approved** - Harvest preservation containers worth €75,90

We support this idea as well. In order to avoid waste sometimes the harvest needs to be preserved in such containers. Avoiding waste is always a good sustainable goal.



COMMITTEE UPDATES

What your favorite committees have been up to!

Top Scriptie: Thesis Workshop

On Wednesday, the 24th of March, we had our first event with our new partner Top Scriptie. We also had some people from the Study Association Fyslan attending. Even though, due to a misunderstanding on the side of Top Scriptie, the workshop focused on Master thesis writing instead of Bachelor thesis writing, we hope the workshop was still somewhat helpful! We apologise for the inconvenience!

SOC Applications

Usually, promotion to join committees take place at the beginning of each association year. Due to the current circumstances and following a request from SOC, we have decided they can already start searching for new members and advertise it here:

Join Soc today! "Always late but worth the wait" was this year's motto, but no longer, the wait was worth it. Join SOC for a delicious cocktail of organising fun events, an engaging friend group with a splash of regular committee evenings. Events ranging from the recent online crazy 88 to UCG's biggest event, the end of the year GALA. So, do you have fun ideas for organizing events? Then join our committee SOC and we'll help you make your ideas come true! Apply [here!](#)

Civitas: Daffodils

Last month, for Easter, Civitas delivered daffodils to Caerus members to grow at home! These daffodils will not only liven up the homes of those who received them, but will also help support Huntington's disease research!



FutUra: Future Professions - Profit, Ethics and Our Future

On the 25th of March, FutUra held their event "Future Professions - Profit, Ethics and Our Future" with Ryan Wittingslow and Sean White as guests. FutUra had prepared several questions which Ryan and Sean debated with their interesting, often opposing views. The participants also took the initiative to ask their own, controversial questions and greatly enjoyed this lively event!



UCSRN

University College Student Representatives
of the Netherlands



UCSRN Online Tournament



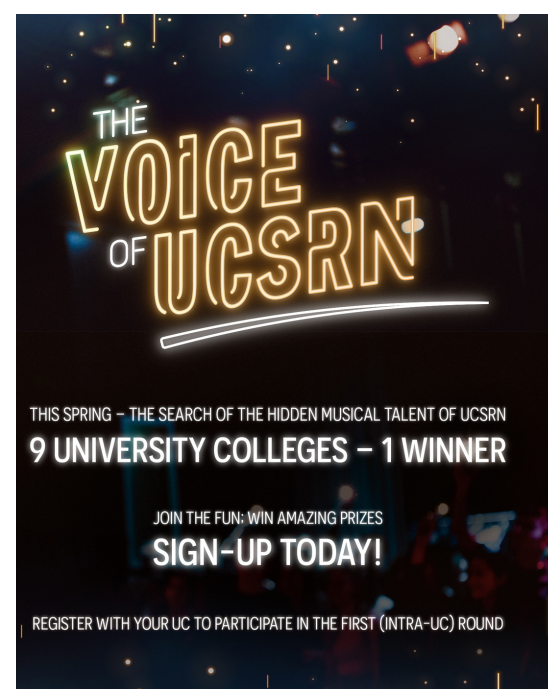
The UCSRN Tournament is back! "Unifying all University Colleges of the Netherlands."

If you are new to the UC community, you may only have heard myths about a yearly tournament where all UC's come together and battle it out for glory in elements of sports and arts! At the Tournament you can participate in 20+ activities! Some examples are volleyball, football, debating, improv, music, and many more.

Normally, these events have an energetic vibe from about 1000 people from 9 different UC's, everyone decked out representing their UC's colours. It is a place of competition, but also unity! This year the event will take place online. You can [sign up here](#) for any activity you may be interested in. Make sure to check out the [rules and regulations](#) (we are currently working on fixing this link) to know what each activity entails!

The Voice of UCSRN

Always wanted to participate in 'The Voice'? This is your chance to pick a song you love, either your original work or a cover! Show your musical talent and send a video to convince the judges that you should represent your UC during 'The Voice of UCSRN' finale! Compete against the winners of the other eight UC's and show that your UC holds the hidden talent of UCSRN... and win the final prize worth €150,-!!! How do I sign up? To sign up, send a video of yourself performing to mucg@caerus-ucg.com, you don't have to be a member of MuCG to join! The sign ups close TODAY, the 12th of April. Due to the current Corona measures, this event will take place online! Please note that all videos must conform to the current measures and that we will not take videos in consideration that do not conform to the measures. For more information, send us a DM on insta @mucgcommittee !



CURRENT EVENTS & INITIATIVES

Make sure to check these out and sign up!

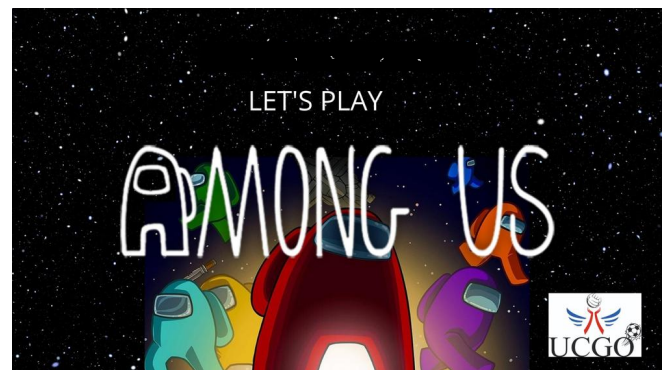
Orbis: Mindflix

This Friday, the 16th, Orbis will hold a Mindflix to both watch and discuss an episode of "The Patriot Act" about fast fashion. Be sure to sign up [here!](#)



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

UCGO: Among Us



We have really enjoyed the Among Us sessions hosted by UCGO so far and are excited to announce that later this month another event will be announced. Stay tuned!

Civitas Beercaps Update

Civitas has decided to change their beercap competition into a straight up initiative. If you have beercaps to spare and want to support research into Huntington's disease, please fill in this [form](#). If you have any questions, feel free to mail civitas@caerus-ucg.com!

