

Dear student,

You have accepted or are waiting to be offered a place in our Nanobiology Bachelor's degree programme starting in September.

We understand that you probably have a lot of questions about what your studies will look like. Although there are still many uncertainties we hope that you're excited to start your Nanobiology adventure. With this email we want to inform you about the current status of the upcoming academic year. We will continue to send you emails with updates as we go along. Some more general but relevant information for incoming students can be found [here](#).

What to expect in education

The start of the academic year will be different due to the unusual circumstances and restrictions we all have to deal with because of COVID-19. Both TU Delft and Erasmus Medical Centre are working hard to make sure that all education can be offered in the best way possible. We are planning that most education will happen online. We will also offer some on-campus education. We will inform you with more detailed information on this at a later moment.

What to expect for the introduction period

The introduction to your new studies will consist of several components, starting mid-August.

- OWee: TU Delft's introduction week, consisting of an online programme (August 14-16) and a 'physical' day on most probably August 17. Find all details on the OWee [here](#).
- IntroN: Introduction event organised by our student association S.V.N.B. Hooke (online, August 21 and 22). Please find attached a message from S.V.N.B. Hooke about IntroN.

We strongly recommend to join both OWee and IntroN, as this will be the time to get to know the Nanobiology programme, as well as your fellow students. We are all working hard to make the introduction programmes engaging and fun for all students. All first year students will be placed in mentor groups of 10 students, guided by two mentors. The mentors (2nd or 3rd year Nanobiology students) can help you with all kinds of questions and will help you to get to know your way around TU Delft and Erasmus MC. These mentors will also be present during OWee and IntroN. You and your mentor group will meet on a regular basis during at least the first semester.

Introduction week Rotterdam | Eureka week

The Eureka week is the introduction week for new students of Erasmus University Rotterdam (EUR). During the Eureka week all the groups have two guides who take them around the city and guide them through the activities. You can find all relevant information about this week [here](#).

International students

The TU Delft International Office will contact international students mid-July. As an international student you will also need to arrange some formal and/or practical matters. From 17 August, you will have the opportunity to arrange most of these matters before you start your studies. You will be informed about the possibilities and support on this matter through Osiaan (your online Osiris application).

Start of the academic year

The first two days of the academic year, August 31 and September 1, are all about introduction to the Nanobiology programme and studying in Delft and Rotterdam. We are working on a programme that will be a mixture of online and on-campus activities, including lectures and interactive sessions.

Open Zoom sessions

On Monday June 22 we organized the first open Zoom information and Q&A session. We, the Nanobiology team, introduced ourselves and updated you on relevant matters. You also got the chance to ask any questions you might have and of course got a first glimpse of your future classmates! A report of this session is attached and we will organize another meeting in July/August.

Personal circumstances

If you have any personal circumstances (for instance, ADD, illness or family matters) and you're worried that they might affect your studies, feel free to already get in touch with our academic counsellor Tanja Hilkhuijsen: studieadviseur-NB@tudelft.nl or [schedule an appointment](#).

Any questions?

Should you have any questions or concerns, please let us know during the Zoom session on June 22 and we will try to answer all your questions and guide you in the right direction.

We hope to meet you all in our Zoom session on Monday June 22!

Kind regards, on behalf of the Nanobiology degree programme department,

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Tanja Hilkhuijsen	Academic Counsellor
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And all the teaching staff!