

Netherlands-Asia Honours Summer School 2024

Information for TU/e students

Are you an ambitious, entrepreneurial and a second- or third-year undergraduate student? Are you interested in learning more about China and Southeast Asia? Do you want to visit and conduct a consultancy project for one of the major multinationals and ministries partnering our program? Then the Netherlands-Asia Honours Summer School (NAHSS) might be something for you!

The NAHSS is a unique collaboration connecting a variety of Dutch universities, four ministries and more than a dozen Dutch and Asian multinationals.

The Netherlands-Asia Honours Summer School (NAHSS) is a national honours program that aims to prepare excellent Dutch students for a future with Southeast Asia and China as big players on the global stage. During the NAHSS program, the participants conduct research and work on projects assigned by our partners. All projects focus on Asia and are closely related to the overarching theme of the NAHSS edition. Every year, this overarching theme is a topic relevant for both the Netherlands and Asia. In 2024, the theme will be **Navigating Change**. Click <u>here</u> to read more about this theme.

When:

The NAHSS program starts in March 2024 with a Kick-Off weekend, in which the selected students will get to know each other. This marks the starts of the consultancy project (5-10 hours per week) from March until June 2024. The preparatory track in the Netherlands consist of conducting a consultancy project for one of our partners, a masterclass, inhouse days at our partners, lectures from Southeast Asia and China experts, soft skills training by for instance PwC and McKinsey, and cultural activities such as the optional Chinese lessons. The NAHSS ends with a three/four-week summer program in July-August 2024 in which the students will have the opportunity to delve, among other things, into this year's central theme 'Navigating Change', work on case studies with social impact, visit leading multinationals, attend guest lectures by CEOs and Asia experts, and explore the culture.

Costs:

TU/e subsidizes the program with a contribution of € 1,300 per selected TU/e student. In addition, participants are expected to **make a personal contribution of approximately €900** for the trip to Asia. (For details see www.nahss.nl) For this price, the NAHSS provides its participants with the flight to Asia, accommodation during the entire summer program in Asia, the summer school, events, company visits, training, guidance during the projects and access to the exclusive NAHSS network. Expenses on vaccinations, food, drinks and activities on your own initiative in Asia are at your own expense.

For personal experiences with the NAHSS program, you can contact our TU/e NAHSS ambassadors who have participated in the NAHSS program in 2023: Gin Sanches - <u>g.f.h.p.sanches@student.tue.nl</u> Nipun Kauskik - n.kaushik@student.tue.nl

Criteria that candidates for the Netherlands-Asia Honours Summer School have to meet:

2nd and 3rd year bachelor student (Students with a valid argument for their study-delay are also eligible to apply (e.g. program board, internship).

Fluent in English in speaking and writing.

Affinity with Southeast Asia and China.

Ambitious, social, active, open-minded and entrepreneurial.

Excellent student (the student meets at least one of the following criteria):

- Honours student
- Extracurriculair activities
- Above average GPA (≥7.5 out of 10)



TU/e may nominate a maximum of 20 candidates for the Netherlands-Asia Honours Summer School. The national NAHSS Selection Committee is responsible for the final selection. A **minimum of 4 and a maximum of 10 students** per participating university will be selected to participate in the program.

Detailed information about the Netherlands-Asia Honours Summer School 2024 can be found at <u>www.nahss.nl</u>. **Important**: The TU/e selection procedure for NAHSS is different from the general information on the NAHSS website. Please read the selection procedure of TU/e below carefully!

Selection procedure NAHSS 2024 at TU/e:

1. Registration process with (optional) guidance from Education and Student Affairs/International Office and Career Academy

The written NAHSS application consists of a number of documents:

-2 short essays, 1 of which is on the theme of NAHSS 2024 '**Navigating Change**' and 1 personal statement (max. 300 words each, both in English): for information and guidelines see <u>www.nahss.nl</u>; -Curriculum Vitae (English);

-Official academic transcript + average from the start of your bachelor up until now;

-Video pitch (maximum 2 minute, in English)

For more information see: <u>https://www.nahss.nl/nl/selection-criteria/</u>

In order to provide you with the best possible guidance in this process, ESA/Career Academy has **set up a Workshop CV NAHSS**. To participate in the Workshop CV NAHSS of the Career Academy, you can register **until December 5, 2023** by sending an email to <u>p.g.j.v.d.vorst@tue.nl</u>. The training will take place on **Friday December 8** from 9:30 – 12:00. After registration you will receive more information about the location of the workshop. It is useful to have a draft CV when you follow the workshop with which you can get started and get tips on.

In addition, we offer you the opportunity to have your CV checked between 9 and 20 December 2023 by sending an e-mail to <u>careeracademy@tue.nl</u> with the subject line 'CV NAHSS'.

- 2. Deadline for submitting the complete application package to NAHSS: please read the detailed application instructions on <u>www.nahss.nl</u> carefully. The deadline for uploading via <u>www.nahss.nl</u> is January 10, 2024.
- 3. Written selection round TU/e from 11 18 January 2024 In the period from 11 to 18 January, the written selection round will take place at TU/e. If you pass the written round, you will receive a personal invitation for the oral selection round.
- 4. Oral selection round at TU/e on January 25, 2024 The oral selection interviews, in the form of speed dating interviews, for students who have passed the written selection round will take place on Thursday afternoon January 25, 2023. Students who are eligible for this will receive a personal invitation with information about the exact time and location.

Timeline NAHSS selection at TU/e:

| 30 November 2023 | Presentation NAHSS including Q&A at TU/e (Corona hall, Luna, 12:45 – 13:15) |
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| 5 December 2023: | Deadline applying for workshop CV and Pitch NAHSS by TU/e Career Academy |
| 8 December 2023: | Workshop CV and Pitch NAHSS, 9:00 – 12:00 |
| 9 to 20 Dec 2023: | Possibility CV check by Career Academy (Tuesday & Thursday Energy Forum) |
| 10 January 2024: | Deadline for submission of application package NAHSS via www.nahss.nl |
| 11-18 January 2024: | Written selection TU/e based on the application documents and pitch |
| 25 January 2024: | Oral selection round TU/e (selected students will receive an invitation) |
| 30 January 2024: | Announcement of the results of the university selection round by NAHSS |
| 21 February 2024: | NAHSS Announces Final Selection of participants for NAHSS 2024 |

For questions about NAHSS 2024, participation in the workshop and the selection procedure at TU/e: Petri van de Vorst: <u>p.g.j.v.d.vorst@tue.nl</u> ESA/International Office tel: 040 2474312 (or schedule a meeting via Microsoft Teams/Outlook)