AKKUraad presents: our new STARS!

The University Elections are held in May every year. During this week every student can vote for their delegation in the Education Committee, Faculty Student Council, and the University Student Council. We as AKKUraad are very proud of our candidates for the USC 2018-2019! At this moment we are working very hard on our new election programme but when you vote for AKKUraad you can be assured that we build on the knowledge and skill we already have. This year the elections are from 28 till 31 May. Use your vote!

1. Gijs Kooistra
   Political Science

2. Sander van der Goes
   Geography, Planning & Environment

3. Marek Voesenek
   Psychology

4. Flore van Grunsven
   Psychology

5. Sofie Buesink
   Biology

6. Luuk Verhoef
   Medicine

7. Danique van den Tillaar
   European Law School

8. Allysha Humphrey
   English Language and Culture

9. Joan Dao
   Dentistry

10. Festina Selmani
    Business Administration

11. Arnaud van Vierzen
    Medicine

12. Debbie Vos
    German Language and Culture

13. Lieke Streppel
    Pedagogical Sciences

14. Maaike Horselenberg
    Sociology

15. Job Veltman
    Philosophy

With a new spring comes a new look. During the upcoming campaign you will see our super awesome brand new logos, flyers, and stickers. With what we mostly concern ourselves now? You can find us in our regular bar the Malle Babbe every month for a fun party where you can admire our dance skills. You will see us at the University with new campus rounds. To relax after all that hard work, the party will go trampolineing at Bounz. What do we advise you to do the upcoming period? Try out one of the five cultural courses that the RSC offers during period 4. More culture makes us happy! Bring on the spring!

JOINT ASSEMBLY REPORT FEBRUARY
NIJMEGEN - The four members of AKKUraad in the University Student Council (USC) were at the Joint Assembly (JA) Monday 26 February to stand up for the interests of all the students in Nijmegen. Below you can read a short summary of the meeting. Do you want to read the more elaborate version? Go to our website, www.akkuraad.nl!

The first thing on the agenda was the University Joint Assembly (UJA)-Faculty Joint Assembly (FJA) regulations. These regulations determine how co-determination is structured at University level and at Faculty level. Currently, staff members in the FJA, the Faculty council, have 60% of the total votes and the students have to make due with 40%. This creates an upper hand for staff members, which could damage the interests of the students. That is why USC-chairperson Fatbardha Selmani suggested, on behalf of the USC, to balance out the vote ratio. The Executive Board (EB) was taken by surprise by the proposal and did not want to discuss it that day but is willing to look at all the proposals properly. The USC will definitely get back to this point. To be continued...

Besides this, Stijn, from AKKUraad, asked a question about the Algemene Studentenblad ANS. It turned out that this independent magazine was not allowed to be distributed in the Elinor Ostrom building where Nijmegen School of Management is situated. In response to Stijn’s question chairperson Wiboldus said he would figure this out. Fortunately, Management students have been able to read the ANS again since the second week of March.

Our party member Lieve asked a question about the diversity policy of the University. AKKUraad thinks diversity is important and wants the University to structurally pay attention to it. We also want the attention for diversity to be broadened: to not only have a policy for staff members but also for students. Diversity is high on the agenda according to the Executive Board. Attention for diversity will be broadened to students and other aspects than gender.

SPRING BRINGS GREAT THINGS
NIJMEGEN - Spring has come! Eggs are being laid, the day lasts longer, and bleating lambs and students are heard everywhere. AKKUraad is slowly waking from its hibernation because the campaign is closing in. Despite of the dark days we have been sleep walking: we have chosen a regular bar, have sung out of tune for the RAGweek, new party members hatched and they could have breakfast at their own Faculty. While the Netherlanders concerned themselves with a law about intelligence and privacy, we gained more in-depth knowledge about privacy at the Radboud University. Many students voted against the law so privacy seems to be a point for concern.

**Did you know?**

It’s important to study, but during the exams you have to keep asking healthy. If you help your brain with that it’s even better. Make a meal out of whole grain pasta with broccoli and a home-made sauce with fresh tomatoes, baked sage leaves, pumpkin seeds, and nuts. All of these ingredients stimulate your brain, improve your memory, and enhance your concentration.

**AKKUnumdrum**

I am a protector. I sit on a bridge. One person can see right through me, while others wonder what I hide.

What am I?