



**UNIVERSITY  
OF CURAÇAO**  
DR. MOISES DA COSTA GOMEZ

## **Handbook for incoming exchange students**

### **Bachelor programs:**

- **Architecture and Construction Engineering**
- **Civil Engineering**
- **Industrial Engineering, major Mechanical Engineering**
- **Industrial Engineering, major Engineering Management**
- **Electrical Engineering, major Energy Technology**
- **Electrical Engineering, major Telematics**
- **Information and Communication Technology**

## Fact Sheet

Faculty of Engineering

Programs:

Bachelor of

- Architecture and Construction Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Industrial Engineering, major Mechanical Engineering
- Industrial Engineering, major Engineering Management
- Electrical Engineering, major Energy Technology
- Electrical Engineering, major Telematics
- Information and Communication Technology

Language of

Instruction: Dutch (some courses are offered in English)

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# 1 General Information

## 1.1 Curaçao – Dushi Hende

Curaçao, Kòrsou in the local language Papiamentu, is an island in the southern Caribbean Sea, off the north coast of Venezuela. The territory of the Country of Curaçao includes the main island plus the small, uninhabited island of Klein Curaçao ("Little Curaçao"). Curaçao is an autonomous country within the Kingdom of the Netherlands and its capital is Willemstad.

### Name

The origin of the name Curaçao is debated. On the one hand an explanation is that the name is derived from the state of becoming cured (curaçã) from Portuguese and the Spanish, the reason being that sailors traveling to Curaçao cured from diseases contracted at sea such as scurvy. On the other hand an explanation is that the name is derived from the Portuguese word for heart (coraçã), referring to the island as a center in the slaves trade between Africa, the Caribbean, and the United States of America.

### Geography

Curaçao is part of the Leeward Antilles and famously known as one of the ABC islands together with its sister islands Aruba and Bonaire. Like Aruba and Bonaire, Curaçao is geologically part of South America but is also considered to be part of West Indies.

### Climate

Curaçao has a tropical savannah climate with a dry season from January to September and a wet season from October to December. The temperatures are relatively constant with small differences throughout the year. The trade winds bring cooling during the day and the same trade winds bring warming during the night. The coldest month is January with an average temperature of 26.5 °C and the warmest month is September with an average temperature of 28.9 °C.

### Language

As part of the Netherlands, the official language is Dutch but the most widely spoken language is creole language Papiamentu. However, Spanish and English are also widely spoken.

### Holidays

Curaçao has wide tradition of celebrating holidays. Most holidays originate from its Dutch roots but American Holidays such as the Halloween are also celebrated. For more general information one can visit [www.curacao.com](http://www.curacao.com). The official holidays are:

- Carnival
- Good Friday
- Easter Sunday and Monday
- Secretary Day
- King's Day
- Labor Day
- Ascension Day
- Flag Day
- Day Curaçao
- Christmas and Boxing Day

## 1.2 University of Curaçao

The University of Curaçao Dr. Moises Da Costa Gomez (UoC) is the national university of the island Curaçao and was founded in 1979. It is an institute for higher education offering both academic and professional educational programs at bachelor and master levels.

## 1.3 Faculty of Engineering

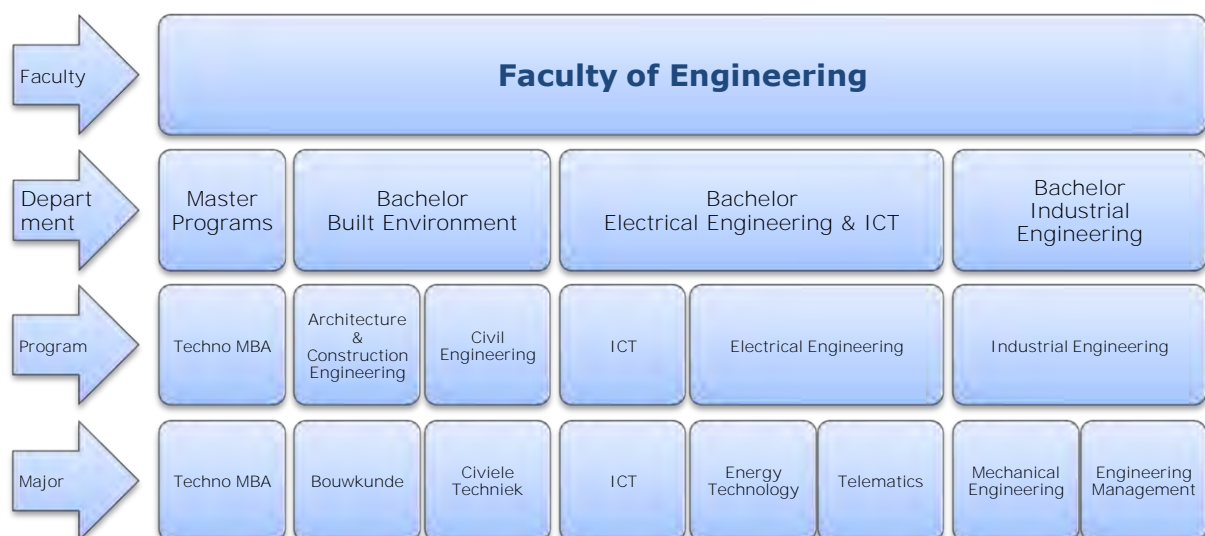
The Faculty of Engineering (in Dutch: Faculteit der Technische Wetenschappen, FdTW) started in 1972 as the 'Antilliaanse Hogere Technische School' which in 1979 became the Faculty of Engineering as a faculty in the University of the Netherlands Antilles (UNA). Currently the FdTW is offering degrees at bachelor (undergraduate) and master (graduate) levels, linked to professional educational program.

The Faculty of Engineering has partnership with regional universities among others in Colombia, Cuba and Suriname. In addition, FdTW also has collaborations with universities and colleges of higher education in the Netherlands, like Hogeschool van Amsterdam (HvA), Hogeschool Rotterdam (HR), en Universiteit Twente. These structural partnerships encourage exchanges of students and teachers and contribute to the quality of education and research.

## 1.4 Bachelor Programs in Engineering

Exchange students can choose from one of the 5 bachelor programs. A program can offer more than one major, as can be seen on the figure below.

The programs train the student, using practicums and projects, to apply the conceptual functions in an integrative way. All the programs at the Faculty of Engineering have been broadly structured and during the course an effort is made to enhance the students' social and intellectual skills. There are good contacts with the business community enabling the department to closely follow the technical developments in its field. The programs are also compared to those in foreign institutes. Based on information from the business community and foreign institutes it's possible to revise the programs and ensure that it maintains its high academic level. The graduating engineer is therefore well prepared to participate in highly qualified work and to play an important role in industry, the business community and in government.



### Architecture & Construction Engineering

The degree program Architecture focuses on the construction of buildings, like houses, schools, offices, business premises; creating construction plans for houses and ordering spaces at various scales in the field of town planning.

Using a methodological approach, organizational, functional, constructive and environmental requirements are integrated into a coherent aggregation of constructed facilities and spatial plans. Design, implementation, management and cost factors as well as environmental aspects are dealt with.

The graduate will have a thorough knowledge of building materials, applied mechanics, building constructions, and building physics. Methods for planning and decision making as well as communication skills are dealt with due to the multi-disciplinary character of the fields in this degree course. The emphasis for graduation can be on the sub-fields architecture, structural engineering, the preservation and restoration of monuments and construction management. The courses and projects the students will work upon include guest lectures (from people who have a lot of experience in the field) and excursions to various projects.

### **Civil Engineering**

It is a civil engineer's task to plan, design, implement and maintain these facilities. That must be done in such a way that the constructed facilities will satisfy the needs of traffic safely for an extended period.

In order to do so insight into the phenomenon traffic is essential. Traffic Engineering studies the origin, quantity and flow of traffic. Knowledge of how materials behave and construction methods to ensure that facilities can hold up to years of intensive use is required. The latter is the field of Road Engineering. This program includes a large component focusing on construction related subjects for the constructions necessary for roads like bridges, culverts, retaining walls etc.

The degree program includes waterworks as well, like sewer systems of facilities like harbors. Environmental aspects are part of the lectures and projects throughout the whole program.

### **Electrical Engineering**

The field of electrical engineering is extensive. A good foundation in mathematics and science is essential in order to be able to understand the many facets of electrical engineering. A graduate electrical engineer will also be expected to have good written and oral skills.

The first year of the course will therefore spend a relatively large amount of time on mathematics, science and languages. In the second year mainly electrical engineering subjects will be given and the basis will be laid from which the student can choose a major in the third year. The last course year is spent completely off campus and consists of a work placement and graduation phase of 100 working days each. During the graduation phase you will apply your acquired knowledge and make the connections between the various theoretical disciplines. The Electrical Engineering degree program has two majors: Energy Technology and Telematics.

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Major: Energy Technology	Major: Telematics
The emphasis is on:	The emphasis is on:
a. Power system analysis and operation, i.e.	a. Electronics, analyzing and measuring

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<p>power systems reliability and security, generation, transmission and distribution of electricity;</p> <p>b. Electrical machines, transferring mechanical energy into electrical energy and vice versa; and</p> <p>c. Power electronics, operating and controlling power using semi-conductors. Sustainable energy, the use of sustainable energy sources like sun and wind.</p>	<p>electrical circuits for processing analogue and digital signals;</p> <p>b. Computer engineering, the structure and operation of a computer. Aside from hardware, tools like Turbo Pascal, C++ and Operating Systems like DOS, UNIX and Windows are also dealt with</p> <p>c. Telematics, the transfer of information is central. Important applications are telephony and data communication. Ample attention is also spent on new developments in the field of telematics and computer networks.</p>
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### **Information & Communication Technology (ICT)**

The information and communication technology (ICT) has developed over the past thirty years into an inherent part of society that impacts our daily lives. We discover applications in situations that until recently had not been imagined.

ICT has penetrated deep into the core processes of industry, many activities in offices supported are by ICT resources, information management hardly occurs without ICT, trade is supported en masse by ICT services, ICT is penetrating ever deeper into healthcare and advanced technical devices are coupled to computer networks, and managing businesses is supported by fast access to information.

This program was set up in close cooperation with both the local and international ICT branch. The emphasis lies on acquiring long term insights, concepts and techniques and in mastering practical skills. Our focus is to continually align the program with new developments in the business community. The Information and Communication Technology degree program focuses on two specific aspects:

- The development and implementation of software and information systems
- The administration and operation of such systems, products and the ICT infrastructure.

The four year ICT degree course is a day course with an internal and external component. The internal curriculum covers the first three years of the course and consists of five theoretical clusters:

- System Analysis and System Development
- Telematics and Technical Aspects
- Information Resource Planning
- Management and Organizational Science
- General Higher Vocational subjects

The final course year is completely external and consists of a work placement component and a graduation component of 100 working days each. The work placement enables the student to orientate in the ICT Branch and find areas of interest. During the graduation phase the student will apply the acquired knowledge and make the connections between the various theoretical disciplines.

Graduates from the degree program Information and Communication Technology are fully fledged ICT specialists and can be immediately deployed in the business community or government. Due to

the broad nature of the course this means that they can be placed in many different positions in the organization. They also have the skills to further develop themselves by:

- acquiring new knowledge and skills
- being able to apply acquired knowledge and skills in new situations
- the ability to identify problems in new situations

### Industrial Engineering

A large portion of the daily utensils and technical devices in our society were designed and manufactured by industrial technologists. Multiple courses are available to make maximum use of the available knowledge:

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| • For design and construction –<br>Construction Technology | • For manufacturing and processing –<br>Production Technology                      |
| • For driving and propelling –<br>Energy Technology        | • For correctly using materials –<br>Material Science                              |
| • For regulating and adjusting –<br>Instrument Engineering | • For technical (operational) management of<br>companies – Technological Economics |

To be able to successfully practice one of the above professions one not only requires knowledge of the field in question but a good foundation in the general basic subjects, mathematics, science, and mechanics, is also essential. Information and communication technology also plays an important role. These subjects are mainly lectured in the first year. In the second year and above field specific subjects are lectured. Technical subjects like Energy Technology, Material Science, Production Technology, Construction Technology, and Economics are then addressed.

Practical in the various courses support the theoretical classes. The labs are equipped with equipment to do so, like:

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| • Diesel motor, cooling section, heating section,<br>pump installation and a small wind tunnel. | • Electronic measure and control systems                                       |
| • Destructive and non-destructive material<br>testing machines                                  | • Pneumatic and electronic control systems                                     |
| • Computer Aided Design (CAD) equipment   | • Departmental personal computers for<br>supporting practicals and thesis work |
| • Computer Numerical Controlled (CNC) lathe<br>and simulations                                  | • Computers for simulating management<br>games.                                |

The last course year is spent completely off campus and consists of a work placement and graduation phase of 100 working days each. During the graduation phase you will apply your acquired knowledge and make the connections between the various theoretical disciplines. The program has two majors: Mechanical Engineering and Engineering Management.

Major: Mechanical Engineering	Major: Engineering Management
The emphasis is on:	The emphasis is on:
a. energy engineering	a. financial Management
b. corrosion engineering	b. operation Management
c. construction engineering	c. project Management
d. mechanical engineering	d. logistics
e. sustainable energy engineering	e. marketing
	f. cost management



## 1.5 Academic Calendar 2015/2016 (subject to change)

### Classes

- Semester 1 (Fall) August 2015 – December 2015
- Semester 2 (Spring) January 2016 – June 2016

### Holidays

- Day Curaçao 10 October 2015
- Christmas break 23 December 2015 – 4 January 2016
- Free starting at 15:00 due to parade 5 February 2016
- Free Monday after Carnival parade 7 February 2016
- Free after 12:00 in relation with  
Carnival farewell parade 9 February 2016
- Good Friday 25 March 2016
- Easter Sunday and Monday 28 March 2016 and 29 March 2016
- King's Day 27 April 2016
- Labor Day 1 May 2016
- Ascension Day 5 May 2016
- Flag Day 2 July 2016

The yearly academic calendar 2015-2016 is in the Appendix section of this document.

## 2 Program for Exchange Students

### 2.1 Course Offerings

**Important: please note that most of the courses are in Dutch**

#### Spring 2016

*(All dates are subject to change.)*

Classes	1 February – 6 May 2016
Examination period	23 May – 10 June 2016
Resit period	1 – 12 August 2016
Presentation practicum/project	13-30 June 2016

#### Minor Architecture & Construction Engineering (year 2, semester 4)

Courses	EC
Studieloopbaanbegeleiding 4	1
Begroten	2
Betonconstructie 1	4
Bouwkundig Tekenen 4	3
Bouwmethodiek 4	2
Materiaalkunde 2	2
Staalconstructie 2	2
Toegepaste Mechanica 3	2
Toegepaste Mechanica 4	2
Vormstudie	2
prac. Toegepaste Mechanica 4	1
proj. Openbare ruimte	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>

#### Minor Civil Engineering (year 2, semester 4)

Courses	EC
Studieloopbaanbegeleiding 4	1
Begroten	2
Betonconstructie 1	4
Inleiding Waterbouwkunde	2
Materiaalkunde 2	2
Staalconstructie 2	2
Toegepaste Mechanica 3	2
Toegepaste Mechanica 4	2
Vloeistofmechanica	2
Waterbouwkundig Tekenen	4
proj. Openbare Ruimte	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>

### Minor Energy Technology (year 3, semester 6)

Courses	EC
Duurz. energie & -besparing	3
Electro Magnetisme Compat.	3
Elektr. energie voorziening 3	3
Elektrische Machines 3	3
Entrepreneurship	3
Meth. & techn. v. onderzoek	2
Organisatiekunde	2
prac. Energie Techniek 3	3
prac. SCADA	3
proj. Project 3 Energie	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>

### Minor Telematics (year 3, semester 6)

Courses	EC
Breedband telecomm. & recht	2
Duurz. energie & -besparing	3
Electro Magnetisme Compat.	3
Entrepreneurship	3
Informatietransport	5
Studieloopbaanbegeleiding 4	1
Organisatiekunde	2
prac. Computer Netwerken	3
prac. Informatietransport	3
proj. Project 3 Telematica	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>

### Minor ICT (year 2, semester 4)

Courses	EC
Studieloopbaanbegeleiding 4	1
Geographic Info. Systems	3
GUI	3
Operating Systems	4
Project & Consultancy 2	2
Statistiek	3
Telecommunicatie	4
prac. GUI	3
prac. Linux	3
proj. Project 2 ICT	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>

### Minor Industrial Engineering, major Mechanical Engineering (year 3, semester 6)

Courses	EC
Alternatieve Energie	3
Basissupervisie	2
Constructie leer	3
Energietechniek 5	2
Entrepreneurship	3
Informatiemanagement	3
Onderhoudsmanagement	3
Organisatiekunde	2
Theoretische Mechanica 4	3
prac. CAD 2	2
Studieloopbaanbegeleiding 4	1
prac. Energietechniek 3	1
prac. Materiaalk. 3/Corrosie	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>

### Minor Industrial Engineering, major Engineering Management (year 3, semester 6)

Courses	EC
Studieloopbaanbegeleiding 4	1
Cost Management	4
Entrepreneurship	3
Informatiemanagement	3
Logistiek 2	3
Marketing	3
Onderhoudsmanagement	3
Persoonlijke Effectiviteit	6
prac. Persoonlijke Effectiviteit	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>

## 2.2 Application

The application deadline is May 1, 2015 and the procedure is to apply through the International Office (e-mail: [internationaloffice@uoc.cw](mailto:internationaloffice@uoc.cw)). Students can expect to receive a notification of their application in the first week of June 2015.

Students are allowed to apply for a maximum of 30 ECTS in one semester. Students have the option to apply only for a complete minor. If any changes need to be made in the selection of the minor while students are already at UoC, this needs to take place through the International Office, and only after the approval from the home university.

## 2.3 Tuition fee

The tuition fee for students from universities which do not have a bilateral collaboration agreement is NAF 100 (excluding VAT) per ECTS. For all other students there is no tuition fee incurred at our institution. In addition, students have to pay NAF 500 as registration fee, and NAF 45 as technology fee.

## 3 The Faculty and Supporting Staff

### 3.1 Dean

The dean is responsible for the quality of the overall educational programs (education and examination) and the general management of the faculty. He is assisted in this by the acting dean. The dean of the Faculty of Engineering is Mr. ir. Ergün Erkoçu. You can get in contact with Mr. Erkoçu through the TF-Office or via his e-mail.

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### 3.1 Program Directors

The bachelor programs are organized into three departments. The program directors are responsible for the coordinating, monitoring, the program(s) in their department.

The program directors are also in charge of the development of specific major programs. Students can have direct contact with them for information about chosen majors e.g. curriculum, major specific assignments, etc.

The program directors are also responsible for the development and organization of the courses in their specific program(s). The program director coordinates the Student Exchange Program for his department. You can contact him/her for questions concerning the availability of the courses, the literature used, the teachers, or any other matter related directly to the course. Please find contact information below.

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### 3.8 TF-Office (Administration)

The TF-Office is the administration office at the faculty. You can approach the office for all administrative matters. You can approach the Office for all questions concerning the scheduling of the classes, enrolling for courses and exams.

#### Office Manager

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### 3.6 Mentoring

The program director will assign a mentor to each student at the start of the program. The mentor coaches the student during the developmental process at the university. The mentor is also the confidant person for the student and can guide the student with any problems. It is important that the student informs the mentor of any situation that might negatively affect the student's performance at the university. Together with the mentor practical solutions are sought for the problems. Exchange students are also provided with a student peer coach. The peer coaches can help students in any practical matter related to studying at the university. Please contact your program director for issues regarding mentoring.

### 3.7 Student Counseling

Students can also approach student counselors for any issue. Our student counselors are well trained to help you with issues ranging from homesickness and relationship difficulties to concerns such as anxiety for exams. All issues are treated confidentially. Please find contact information below.

#### Student counselors

Cristina Daniel

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### 3.10 International Office

The student exchange program is executed with the support of the International Office. This office deals with your application and you can contact this office if you have any questions concerning permits to reside in Curaçao. At this office you can also obtain your student card and your accounts to log-in on ProgRESS and Blackboard (electronic student communication tracking systems). You can approach the office with all general questions concerning the student exchange program. Please find contact information below.

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### 3.9 Examination Board

The Examination Board consists of 5 members: a chairman and four other academic teachers and is assisted by a secretary. The chairman of the Examination Board is Mr. Richenel Bulbaai. The student can contact the Examination Board for petitions of exemptions or any other petitions regarding an exam, and any complaints. Please find contact information below.

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## 4 Organization of the Academic Year

### 4.1 Semesters

The academic year for the bachelor programs is segregated into two semesters, fall and spring. The fall semester runs from August to January and the spring semester is from January to July. Each semester is 30 European credit points (ec). The credit point system is the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) where 1 credit is equivalent to 28 hours of course work.

A semester totals 14 weeks of classes for lectures, practicum and projects. There is an exam period of three weeks at the end of the semester and a re-exam period of two weeks at the beginning of the next semester. Presentation for practicum and project are in the 'afrondingsweken' (see yearly calendar below). This integration takes place through projects. Some projects are intensive weeks projects.

### 4.2 Teaching methods

Throughout the program a variety of teaching methods are used, depending on the level, the stage of the development of competences and the learning line. The methods used are lectures, tutorials, projects and individual sessions.

#### Lectures

The objective of the lectures is to teach the main themes and structures. The teacher stimulates knowledge acquisition by using modern literature related to the specific professional topic and by encouraging the students to search for additional literature themselves. The teacher gives oral presentations or instructions. The students are expected to acquire more knowledge and insights through self study and relate these to the subject matter presented by the teacher.

#### Practicum

During the practicum assignments are discussed in groups. The teacher has less active participation in the learning process and acts as a coach. The students are expected to actively participate in the group process by discussing the assignments with fellow students or in individual settings. At the end the students submit a written report and give an oral presentation.

#### Projects

In most semesters there is a practical or an integrated project. These projects are based on real-life cases that are confronted in the professional field of the specific discipline. The student should be able to use the integration of knowledge from different disciplines, skills and attitude to work on the projects.

#### Individual sessions

The individual meetings are geared to monitoring the academic progress of each student and possible bottlenecks that the face.

### 4.3 Examination, testing and grading

In the end of each block there is an exam period and the re-exam period is in the end of the semester. Examinations can take part in several forms. The knowledge acquired separately through written exams (individual). The application of the knowledge and skills is tested in the projects (group). The latter is a more integrative way of testing. Other testing methods that are used are training exercises (individual), oral tests (individual), portfolio-assessment and professional products such as papers, theses and internship reports.

The grading system used is the Dutch grading system. The passing grade is 5.5. Credit points are earned only after passing a course.

10 = Excellent = A<sup>+</sup>

9 = Very good = A<sup>+</sup>

8 = Good = A

7 = More than sufficient = B<sup>+</sup>

6 = C

5.5 = pass = D

5 = Almost sufficient = F

4 = Insufficient = F

3 = Very insufficient = F

2 = Poor = F

1 = Poor = F

All students need to submit an official transcript of their semester to their home university. This transcript is automatically made by the International Office at the end of the semester and can be picked up at the Student Affairs. In case there are errors in grades, students need to address this to their corresponding teacher or Ms. Tamara van Aerde. Please find contact information below.

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## 5 Facilities

### 5.1 Communication with students

To communicate with the students we use the Blackboard and ProgRESS. The Blackboard (<http://blackboard.una.an/>) is the electronic learning environment used by the whole university. It is used as a daily communication tool between the faculty members and the students. All information relevant for the students is posted on Blackboard especially information related to the courses e.g. teaching and exam schedules, information about the classes, and course documents.

ProgRESS (<https://progresswww.nl/uoc>) is the web-based information system used at the institutional level to keep track of the students' academic progress. Via ProgRESS students must enroll for courses and exams, and the official course grades can be viewed on this system.

### 5.2 Computer and Internet facilities

The university has five computer labs at the disposal of its programs and the whole campus is covered by wireless internet. There is a free workgroup area with 15 computers that are accessible daily for students. The IT facilities are managed by the ICTS. To obtain access to the wireless internet with your personal laptop or any other IT-related information, you can contact Ms. Netty Adams BSc or Ing. Jeffrey Schmidt.

#### Contacts for ICTS

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### 5.4 Library & Research Services

The Library & Research Services (LRS) department at UoC not only provides all regular library functions, but also (pro) actively supports education and research at the university. The library offers a dynamic study and research environment. The library offers digital collections through EBSCO Academic Search premier database, containing journals on all relevant subjects within the social-economical sciences. In addition, LRS also offer a collection of relevant journals from Sage and Emerald. Because of the cooperation with several regional and Dutch (academic) libraries, LRS usually is able to acquire specific materials on individual request when needed. Contact information can be found below.

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#### For FdTW specific info

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### 5.3 Student Affairs

The Student Affairs offers the 'one window' service for all students. You can obtain all kinds of information and instruction at this office. Student Affairs also has two student counselors to coach the students with personal problems. The yearly registration of all students is done by the Student Affairs.

### 5.5 Dormitory and university restaurant

The university has a dormitory (Campus) on campus consisting of 97 student rooms, a spacious recreation room, a bar, a restaurant (Mensa), kitchenettes, washing machines, dryers, a gym, a football field and a basketball court. The Mensa provides daily breakfast, lunch and dinner.

For more information on the prices and availability of the dorms contact the Campus & Mensa Manager, Mr. Michel Nicolaas or Ms Merelyn Martina. Contact information can be found below.

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There are also several organizations on the island that provide housing especially to foreign students. Examples are the Wereld Stage (<http://www.wereldstage.com>) and at Curacao.com (<http://www.atcuracao.com>). The university does not work with these organizations and hence will not be hold responsible if you decide to arrange housing through one of these organizations.

