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THAN IN THE NETHERLANDS?

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STUDENT STORIES:

ANOUK DE GRAAUW - ORANGE COAST COLLEGE, CALIFORNIA

After a year of high school in California, Anouk immediately started looking for ways to return to the United States for a longer period of time. After visiting the GO USA Education Fair in 2016, she discovered the financial benefits of going to a community college. Anouk just started her second year at Orange Coast College in California.

A few years ago, I attended high school in Pasadena, California. I felt at home in Cali, so as soon as I got back to the Netherlands, I immediately started looking for reasons to return to the US. At first, I wanted to work as an au pair.

But my parents said: "If you really want to go to the States, then you should go to school. Otherwise, you will just throw away another year." Then, one day, Marina Meijer came to my school to talk about the many study options in the US, and I thought: hey! That is when I got serious about it.

I do not think I would be here, right now, if it wasn't for UStudy. I wanted to go to the US so badly, but when I saw some of the tuition fees, I thought: ugh... But at that time I didn't know that community colleges exist! That is a much more affordable option.



My mother encouraged me to go to the Education Fair. After talking to Marina about all the different options, it came down to two places: Seattle or back to California – such a hard decision. I made a list of pros and cons. That’s when I knew I had to go to Cali. It is familiar to me, and the weather is much nicer than in Seattle.

For me, the American style of teaching is a much better fit than the Dutch style. It feels more motivating. In the Netherlands, it is almost like you aren’t allowed to make any mistakes. Here, I feel less pressure. I am also happy with the American education system. It is a lot easier to switch majors here than it is back home. After majoring in Graphic Design last year, I was able to easily switch to Early Childhood Development this year.

"The American style of teaching is a much better fit for me,"

I didn’t come here to play sports, but once here, I really wanted to do something. I played a little tennis in high school and Orange Coast College was short one person for their tennis team, so I joined the team. We won the State Championship that year – and I only had been playing for 6 months. Ha ha, how cool is that! In the State Championship, the best team from Southern California played against the best team from Northern California. It was a close game – but we won! It was an awesome experience.

And, because I had a 4.0 GPA, I also won a scholarship for being the best international student!

I am really enjoying my time here. I have a tight group of friends. We go to Disneyland so frequently that I ended up getting a pass. We also hang out at the beach all the time. Everything is so close by! I do miss home sometimes, but with today's technology, it makes it a lot easier to stay in touch with everyone. But it's not the same, though.

You can't hold them. I did meet my boyfriend here, in the library. His family has become like family to me, too. They take great care of me, and they really include me in their family. After graduating, I would really like to stay in California. My dream is to open my own pre-school here!



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SOME OF OUR MARCH PLACEMENTS!

Below you can find a selection of schools where, this month, our students got accepted to. We are extremely proud of and excited for all of our students!

Bard College, New York
American University, Washington DC
Santa Clara University, California
University of Miami, Florida
Michigan State University
Ursinus College, Pennsylvania
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Augustana College, Illinois
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San Diego State University, California
Hendrix College, Arkansas
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Knox College, Illinois
Bryant University, Rhode Island
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Southern New Hampshire University
Wilbraham & Monson Academy, Massachusetts
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Ohio Wesleyan University, Ohio
Brewster Academy, New Hampshire
North Park University, Illinois
Long Island University in Brooklyn, New York
St. Michael's College, Vermont





STUDYING IN NORTH AMERICA CHEAPER THAN STUDYING IN THE NETHERLANDS?



IT REALLY IS POSSIBLE: STUDYING AT SOME US COLLEGES CAN COST LESS THAN STUDYING IN THE NETHERLANDS. HOW? LET US EXPLAIN.

HOW MUCH DOES STUDYING COST?

Do you know how much studying in the Netherlands really costs you per year? Often, students do not realize what they spend on a room, tuition, books, insurance and food. The Dutch National Institute for Family Finance Information (Nibud.nl) did research on the average expenses of a student (who does not live with their parents) in the Netherlands. We compared these figures with one of the cheapest options to study and live in the US. We didn't even use any scholarships in this example!

STUDENT EXPENSES 2018

COUNTRY	UNITED STATES*	THE NETHERLANDS
Tuition	€ 2,245	€ 2,060
Books and school supplies	€ 1,220	€ 696
Room and board	€ 5,365 All-in	Room: € 5.004 Food: € 2,172
Personal expenses	€ 1,462	€ 2,628
TOTAL	€ 10,292	€ 12,560

* Based on the USD-EUR exchange rate of April 23, 2018.



WAIT, WHAT?

IN THIS EXAMPLE, A STUDENT SPENDS MORE FOR STUDYING IN THE NETHERLANDS THAN IN THE US. HOW IS THIS POSSIBLE?

Factors that make studying in the US or Canadian affordable:

Location of the school

The location of a school affects the cost of living in North America. Your rent, groceries and entertainment is cheaper in certain regions and places compared to other. Do you want to go for the most economical options? Look at schools in the less well-known, and in the sparsely populated states. Stay away from the big cities!

Other factors that have not been included in this example, but which do help make your study in North America more affordable:

Your Dutch DUO loan

Did you know that, in most cases, you can take your DUO loan with you, if you want to obtain a higher education diploma in the US or Canada? Also, you can get a reimbursement for your student travel product (studentenreisproduct), which gets you almost an additional 100 euros per month. A great way to finance your study abroad!

Apply for American or Canadian scholarships

In the example above, didn't even included the possibility of an American scholarship. Many American and Canadian schools would love to have a European student on their campus and they can have a budget to help finance it. For example, students with good grades can get one or more academic scholarships. And in the US, talented athletes can finance their college/university's tuition because they received a sports scholarship. A large number of colleges give financial support to talented international students, if their financial and personal situation gives reason to do so - in some cases, students can receive up to 100% financing. It is also possible to get a combination of all types of financing from an American school. With a scholarship, tuition fees can be largely or completely paid for. If you would like to know whether you are eligible for a scholarship, please contact us. We help you to qualify for scholarships and help you with the application!

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You still have time!

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