Dean Amsterdam University College (AUC)

"Are you our new academic leader of the flourishing Amsterdam University College? Do you endorse the principles of Liberal Arts and Science education?"

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Location: AMSTERDAM

FTE: 0.6 - 0,8 AUC in short

Amsterdam University College (AUC) offers a liberal arts and sciences programme leading to a joint Bachelor's (Honours) degree issued by the University of Amsterdam (UvA) and Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (VU). AUC is based on the North-American liberal arts and sciences model, with students living and studying together on an international campus located at Amsterdam Science Park. The programme is taught entirely in English, is small-scale and selective, and admits a maximum of 300 students each year based on their academic performance and motivation.

A new Dean for the AUC

The UvA and VU Executive Boards wish to come into contact with candidates for the position of Dean.

The dean

- is integrally responsible for AUC, including the educational program as well as the organizational and financial management;
- sets out the strategic direction of AUC, and leads the implementation of this strategy;
- positions AUC in the academic environment of the two Amsterdam universities,
 the Dutch University College landscape, and relevant (inter-)national networks;
- invests in an open relationship with the AUC community, including students, academic and support staff, as well as the participatory bodies;
- is responsible for consistent and transparent communication in decision-making and change processes;
- maintains excellent relations with UvA and VU faculties to foster the active involvement of their academic staff in the AUC program;
- works on a network of external relations to raise funds for student fellowships;
- reports to the joint UvA and VU Executive Boards;
- is supported by an International Advisory Board.

A successful candidate will:

- have explicit affinity with the Liberal Arts and Sciences education and interdisciplinary approach;
- have an academic background and an academic reputation, the academic status of full professor and a strong passion for teaching;
- have an international outlook as well as a firm footing in the Dutch academic and political landscapes;
- have proven experience in managing a(n) (inter)national institution;
- be able to formulate a clear vision on the strategy of a liberal arts and science college like AUC, including its recruitment and enrolment policies;
- be an energetic team player and leader who can manage a team of peers effectively, with proven strong communication skills and fond of an open debate, approachable by professionals and students alike;
- actively work on promoting diversity and inclusiveness of the AUC community;
- be fluent in both English and Dutch'
- understand that AUC is a relatively small college which is socially demanding.

Job area:

Management position

Minimum FTE:

0.6

Maximum FTE:

8,0

Minimum salary scale: €7,405 (H1)

Maximum salary scale: €11,686 (H1)

Name contact person for questions:

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Who are allowed to apply:

Internal candidates

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The Dean will be actively committed to enhancing 'life outside the classroom', i.e. in the many extracurricular activities (workshops, congresses, sports events, theatre, music concerts, etc) offered at, and essential to, the AUC education.

AUC values

AUC is driven and defined by the commitment to getting the best out of students. Our community aims at being inclusive of race, ethnicity, nationality, culture, language, gender and gender expression, sexuality, religious beliefs, political beliefs, age and ability, and is aware that inclusiveness is a constant process. We aim for an environment where every member of our community can safely express their opinion and knows their contribution is valued. Different approaches, ideas and values are integral to the creation of a vibrant and challenging learning environment. We encourage dialogue, constructive and cooperative conversations, and an open mind. Finally, we believe that global perspectives are the key to connectivity, and our students engage proactively with individuals, communities, and organizations around the world, starting from Amsterdam as a global city.

AUC Science Environment

Amsterdam University College is uniquely located in Amsterdam Science Park amidst top-level institutions dedicated to scientific research and innovation. All these institutes have close ties with AUC, offering opportunities to AUC students for research internships and capstone work. In addition the institutes host joint seminars with and at AUC, and high profile guests from these top-level institutions are regularly invited to provide Who's in Town lectures at AUC.

What do we offer

The appointment is for a five year period for 0.6 - 0.8 fte; reappointment is possible. On a full-time basis the salary amounts to a minimum of \in 6405 and a maximum of \in 10,106 gross per month, in accordance with salary scale H1.

Procedure

Are you interested in this position? Please apply via the application button and upload your curriculum vitae and cover letter before **January 3, 2021**. Procedure and advertisement will be communicated within the UvA and VU as well as to relevant external networks (such as the network of university colleges).

Interviews with the selection committee are scheduled on 12 and 15 January 2021. A development assessment will be part of the procedure on 19 January 2021.