



FIRST YEAR BROCHURE

READY TO MAKE MOST OF YOUR STUDENT LIFE?

**EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW FROM
YOUR PARTNER IN STUDY & CAREER**



INTRODUCTION

DEAR STUDENT,

CONGRATULATIONS ON CHOOSING GRONINGEN AS YOUR NEW HOME! IN ORDER TO BETTER PREPARE YOU FOR YOUR TIME HERE, YOU CAN FIND EVERYTHING ABOUT WHAT THE EBF HAS TO OFFER AND ABOUT GRONINGEN IN GENERAL.

FOR ANY QUESTIONS, DON'T BE AFRAID TO REACH OUT ON SOCIAL MEDIA OR FIND US IN THE DUISENBERG BUILDING!

FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM TO STAY UP TO DATE ON ALL OF OUR EVENTS!

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WHAT IS A STUDY ASSOCIATION

The Economics and Business Faculty association (EBF) is the study association for all students studying at the faculty of Economics and Business of the University of Groningen. So what is a study association? A study association is an organisation for students who study at the same faculty, organised by students of that faculty. We offer discounts on textbooks, organise activities that help you to orientate yourself in the job market, and we throw amazing parties. The greatest thing about this? Everything is organised by students themselves. It is possible to join a committee to organise great events, gain practical experience and meet so many new people. No experience is required! Everything we do is to connect students and to enrich your time as a student. To do so, the EBF has divided all activities and services into the following four pillars:



STUDY

**SUPPORT WITH
YOUR STUDIES!**



CAREER

**EXPLORE YOUR
OPPORTUNITIES!**



RECREATION

**MEET NEW
PEOPLE!**



INTERNATIONAL

**BROADEN YOUR
HORIZON!**

EBF INTRODUCTION WEEKS

THIS SEPTEMBER, THE EBF ORGANIZES DIFFERENT EVENTS DESIGNED SPECIALLY TO WELCOME NEW BACHELOR AND MASTER STUDENTS. THESE EVENTS ARE THE PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO MEET FELLOW STUDENTS, EXPLORE GRONINGEN, AND GET TO KNOW THE EBF. WHETHER YOU ARE LOOKING FOR SOCIAL ACTIVITIES, NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES, OR ACADEMIC SUPPORT, THE EBF INTRODUCTION WEEKS OFFER SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE! BELOW, YOU'LL FIND AN OVERVIEW OF THE EXCITING ACTIVITIES WE HAVE PLANNED FOR THIS YEAR:

- INTRODUCTION CAMP - 5TH TILL 7TH OF SEPTEMBER (FIRST YEARS BACHELOR)
- (PRE)MASTER BBQ - 4TH SEPTEMBER
- MENTOR GROUP DINNER - 15TH OF SEPTEMBER
- EBF BEGINNING OF THE YEAR PARTY - 15TH OF SEPTEMBER
- SPORTS ACTIVITY - 11TH OF SEPTEMBER
- MEET GRONINGEN - 2ND AND 29TH OF SEPTEMBER



EBF X STUDY

BOOKSALE

As an EBF member, you get special discounts on all your study books through our partner Smartbooks. Whether you need physical books, e-books, or second-hand books – EBF offers the lowest prices! Here are also flexible e-books available with limited access, so you only pay for the time you actually need them. Passed the exam? Return your books at the end of the semester and get a fair resale price!

P.S. If you order before the 5th of September, you can pick up your books for free at the EBF office – no delivery costs! Twice a year, you can return your books and get a fair resale price.

Workshops

EBF offers different workshops throughout the year. Keep posted on our socials to see what we have to offer.

Whatsapp Communities

For different studies, both bachelor and master, we have whatsapp group chats, to get in touch with your fellow students.

EBF X CAREER

EVENTS

The EBF organizes several career related events per year, both for orientation and recruitment. Our biggest events are the EBF Conference and the Recruitment Days, but other events include a Business Dinner, a Women in Business event, a Consultancy Tour, and an In-House Day.

VACACIES

Looking for your future job? Take a look at the EBF website, we have many vacancies from our partner companies available and these are updated often. You will also receive the career mailing where our partners highlight their open positions.

CAREER ADVICE

On the EBF website you can find advice on how to write your motivation letter and how to make your CV stand out. You will also be able to get more insights in your personal traits and on how to improve your LinkedIn.

SKILL DEVELOPMENT

Together with feb Career Services, the EBF organises a Skills Day, where students can learn about practical skills that can help them during or after their study.

SOCIAL EVENTS

EBF INTRODUCTION WEEKEND

EBF BEGINNING OF THE YEAR PARTY

SOCIALS

EBF DIES

EBF SKI TRIP

EBF ON ICE

EBF X JFV CHRISTMASS BALL

FIRST YEAR TRIP TO ANTWERP

5TH-7TH OF SEPTEMBER

15TH OF SEPTEMBER

15TH OF OCTOBER, 10TH OF NOVEMBER, 11TH OF MARCH

6TH OF MAY

23TH OF JANUARI - 1ST OF FEBRUARI

19TH OF NOVEMBER

15TH OF DECEMBER

13TH-15TH OF FEBRUARI

AND MANY MORE...

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

INTERNATIONAL AMBASSADOR

At the EBF, we have an international ambassador. Together with the EBF Project & Inclusion Officer he or she makes sure all international students feel welcomed within the EBF. He or she is always open to chat about anything related to studying in Groningen. Feel free to contact him or her with any questions. You can find his or her contact information on our website.

WHY JOIN A STUDY ASSOCIATION

At EBF, we offer networking opportunities with top companies, career-enhancing workshops, and training sessions to help you grow academically and professionally. Beyond that, we host social events, international trips, and fun activities where you can meet new friends and feel at home in the Netherlands.

Whether you're looking to boost your career, expand your network, or simply have an amazing student life, EBF is here for you! Join us and make the most of your university experience.

STUDENT WELL BEING

CONFIDENTIAL ADVISORS

Meet the EBF's confidential advisors: Annick Maas and Rick Huizenga. They both are this years board members. The EBF has a Confidential Advisor outside of the board: Anne Sofie Mateboer from the student association VIP. It is important to know that you can approach them any time. You could have a confidential conversation, ask for advice or talk about anything that you have been through or are currently struggling with. They are legally obligated to keep all discussed matters private and will only take action with your permission. You can find their information on our website.

EBF COMMITTEES

WHAT IS A COMMITTEE?

As a committee member at the EBF you will be responsible for organizing events ranging from a Christmas Ball with over 600 attendees, a research trip to a European city, a Ski trip to a Career event with the largest companies from around the world and acquiring the best deals for other members of the association. Together with the rest of your committee you will be responsible for the logistics of the event, contacting companies for sponsorships, and making the promotion material.

At the EBF there is a committee available for every interest, and we will look what fits you best! It is not only about serious stuff, but also about bonding with your committee. EBF organizes special for her Active Members different events, like a Active Members Weekend, A Active Members Day, and a Thank You Dinner.

WHY SHOULD I JOIN A COMMITTEE?

By joining a committee you will develop yourself both personally and professionally. And you will get the opportunity to meet new people, organize amazing events and much more!

Check out our committee brochure for more information about what it entails to be an active member of the largest study association in Groningen. You can find it on our website (www.ebfgroningen.nl)

MASTER COMMITTEES

As a Master student you have the opportunity to join a Master Committee. These committees are responsible for both formal and informal events for their master specifically. Benefits include a high level of autonomy and freedom, but also the possibility to explore connections with companies during your study.



RECRUITMENT PERIODS

SEPTEMBER

- Active Members Committee (3-5 hours)
- Activity Committee (3-5 hours)
- Commercial and Consultancy Committee (5-10 hours)
- ESR Spring (10-20 hours)
- First Year Committee (3-5 hours)
- International Committee (3-5 hours)
- Leadership & Entrepreneurship Committee (3-5 hours)
- Promotion Committee (3-5 hours)
- TEDx Committee (10-20 hours) (workload increases when event approaches)
- Yearbook Committee (3-5 hours)
- EBF Conference Executive Board* (20-40 hours) (workload increases when event approaches)

WHOLE YEAR

- Social Responsibility Community (3-5 hours)

FEBRUARY

- EBF Conference Day Organisation (5-10 hours) (workload increases when event approaches)
- ESR Fall (10-20 hours)
- Introduction Committee (5-10 hours)
- Sports Committee (5-10 hours)
- EBF x MARUG Recruitment Days* (25-30 hours) (workload increases when event approaches)
- International Business Research (20-40 hours)

FEBRUARY AND SEPTEMBER

- Master Committees (3-5 hours) (Change, International Economics and Sustainable Development, Economics, Health, Human Resource Management, International Business & Management, Small Business & Entrepreneurship, Strategic Innovation Management)

FAQ

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A STUDENT ASSOCIATION AND A STUDY ASSOCIATION?

A student association, such as a social club or sports association, is open to students from all studies, and often focuses on recreation and social events. Study associations, such as the EBF, are only open to students who are studying at the specific faculty that the association serves. The EBF not only organises social, but also career and study related events. The EBF offers the whole package! It is also good to know that there is no initiation period ("ontgroening") when you become a(n) (active) member!

HOW CAN I CONTACT YOU

You can send an email to info@ebfgroningen.nl or drop by our office!

HOW DO I BECOME A MEMBER

Sign up on our website: <https://www.ebfg groningen.nl/become-a-member/>. Membership is only €10,00 a year!

WHERE CAN I FIND THE EBF?

The EBF Board Room (5414.0046) is in the Study Associations wing of the Duisenberg Building at the Zernike Campus. The entrance to the Study Associations wing is behind the Student Support Desk in the Duisenberg Plaza.

ARE THE EBF EVENTS OPEN TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS?

The large majority of our events are completely in English, and are, therefore, open to international students.

WHEN CAN I APPLY FOR A COMMITTEE?

You can apply for an EBF Committee in both September and February! For the Social Responsibility Community, you can apply throughout the whole year. Keep an eye out for the specific deadlines on our website.

The logo consists of the letters 'EBF' in a bold, white, sans-serif font, centered within a dark blue square. The square is itself centered within a larger white square frame.

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**FOR YOUR STUDY
FOR YOUR CAREER
FOR YOUR FUN**

WHERE CAN YOU FIND US?

