

# Policy changes in Dutch higher education

Quality in diversity: what works?

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#### **Programme**

- Dutch higher education in a nutshell
- Quality in diversity: Strategic agenda for higher education

Focus on: student-study fit

- Moving forward enrolment date
- Matching activities
- First results

Discussion



#### Higher education in The Netherlands

#### **Binary system**

- Academic higher education: academic university (AU)
- 17 institutions, 255.500 students
- 54.400 first year students
- Professional higher education: university of applied sciences (UAS)
- 35 institutions, 446.500 students
- 98.500 first year students

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#### Some characteristics until 2013-2014

- Enrolment mainly based on legally required diplomas
- Selection options very limited by law
- Legal fee of €1906 per year
- Most UAS-students stay at home ('free' public transport)



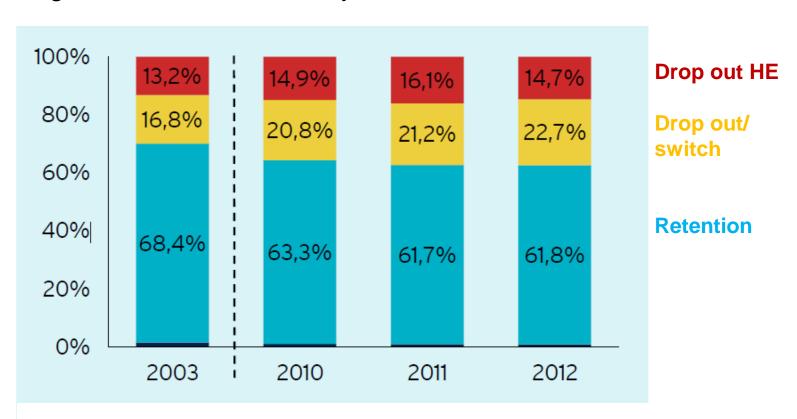
## Focus on the student-study fit

- As from 2013-2014, all bachelor's programmes will introduce a compulsory 'matching' procedure (studiekeuzecheck)
- This matching procedure runs before the start of the academic year
- Final enrolment date changed from 1 September to 1 May to enable HE institutions to organize matching activities



#### **Drop out and retention rates**

Figure. Situation after one year





#### **Matching**

 Enable student and institutions to check that the correct choice of study has been made

- Form, content, obligation to participate:
   to be determined by institutions
- Paticipation includes an advice (recommendation)
- Students have a legal right to participate in a matching activity and to get an advice

ORIENTATION **PHASE MATCHING START** PROGRAM & STUDENT

COACHING

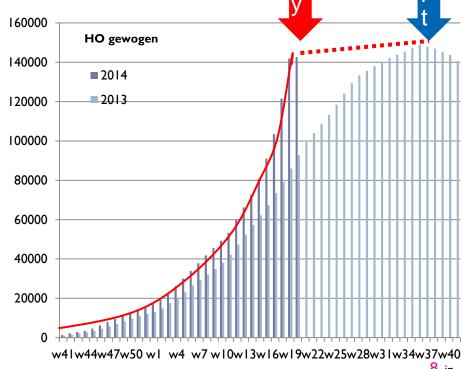


## **Enrolment date: large effect**

Request to enrol made before 1 May: student keep right to amission, provided other conditions are met (right diploma etc.)

Request to enrol made after 1 May: no right to admission riginstitution decides

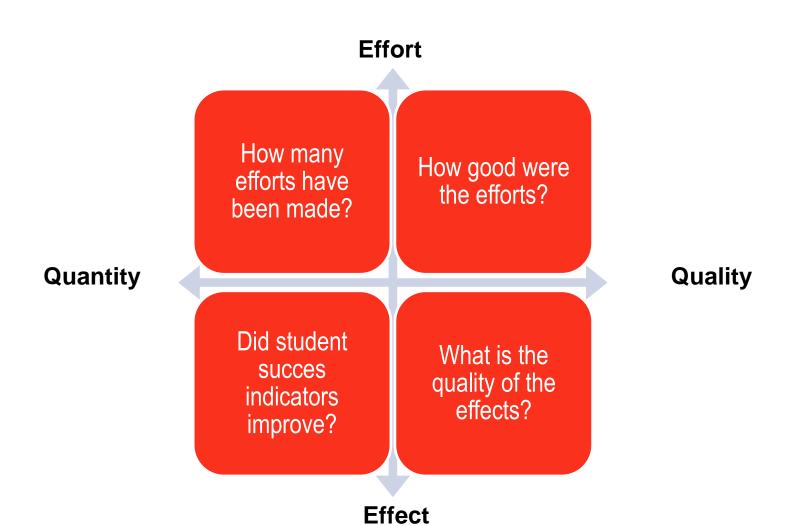
 Student can change his/her study choice (in case there is no 'match')





#### Joint research model (6 UAS)

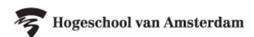
Results Accountabilty Framework (Friedman, 2000)



### **Matching activities**



One day study experience at Uni., interview optional



Homework – 1 day lectures at Uni – knowledge test



Online questionnaire (oriëntation behavior)



Extensive online questionnaire and interview at Uni

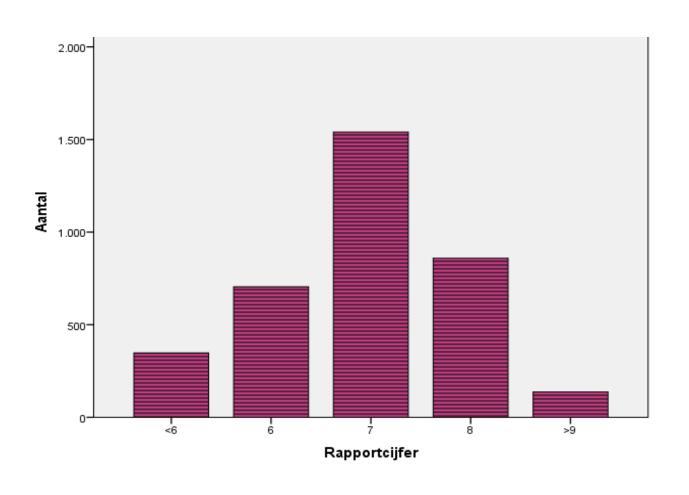


Online questionnaire



Online questionnaire (reality check), compulsory

## Student evaluation



#### **Quotes of students**

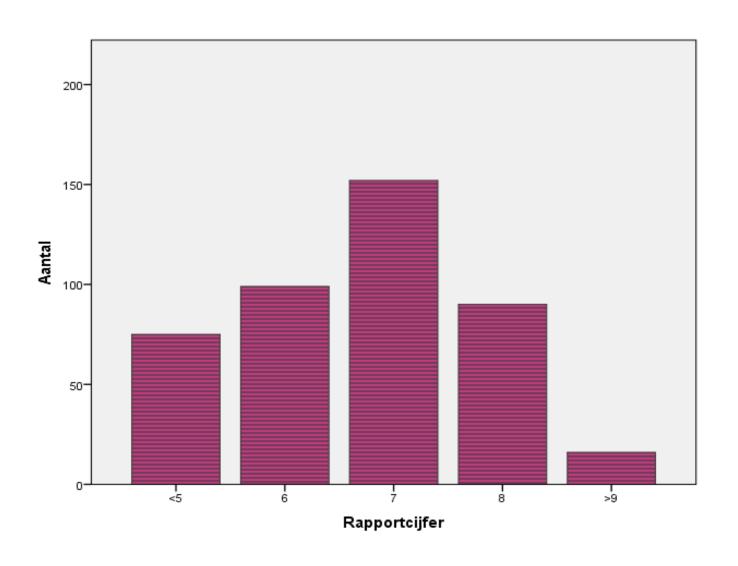
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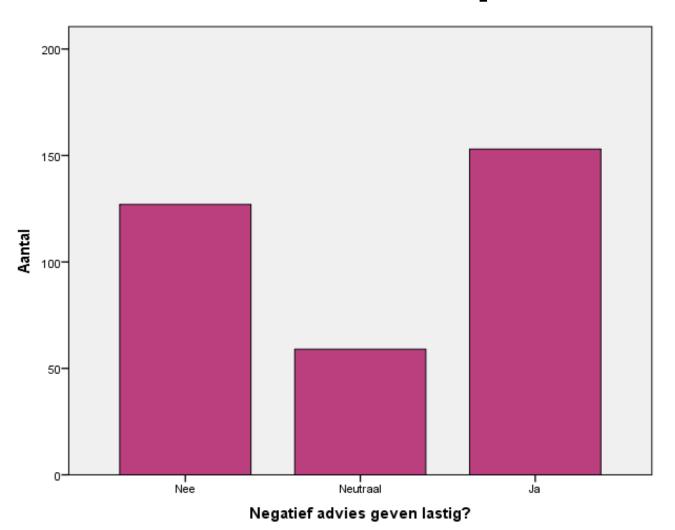
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## **Teacher evaluation**



# Advice: teacher experience





# Registration and conversion

October status registrations, (per cohort)									
	Inholland U	Iniversity	The Hague University						
Cohort	2013	2014	2013	2014					
Registrations	17692	21145	10897	12915					
Active per october	49%	41%	67%	53%					
Withdrawn	51%	59%	33%	47%					



# Study success 6 months compared

March status study results* (per cohort)							
Cohort	2013	2014					
Active per okt Active per march	8748 7113	8575 7232					
period 1 + 2	15,1	15,9					
period 1	6,6	7,0					
period 2	8,5	8,9					

<sup>\*</sup> avg results of active & withdrawn students



## Matching and study success

Total/avg

6698

Matching- and studyresults after 6 months of study (ft, active students)									
Inholland University				The Hague University					
N	ECp1/2	EC p1		N	EC p1				
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#### If you want to know more

#### Full report Quality in diversity

http://www.government.nl/ministries/ocw/documents-and-publications/reports/2012/08/30/quality-in-diversity.html

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