Dear prospective first-year student,

You have made one of the most important choices of your life and it has been a good one: to study archaeology in Leiden. The course Archaeology does not only consist of interesting lectures, challenging practical assignments and fieldwork, but also involves the study association L.A.S. Terra (Leiden Archaeological Study association Terra). L.A.S. Terra organizes educational activities such as lectures, study trips and excursions, all year round! Moreover, if you become a member you can get a discount for your study books through the online shop. In addition there will of course be a lot of socializing, drinking and partying.

**L.A.S. Terra**

Terra is the study association of the Faculty of Archaeology in Leiden. We organize a pub night in pub “de Keyzer” every first Thursday of the month and every third Thursday there will be drinks at the Faculty . Furthermore, several parties with the most diverse themes will be organized several times a year, during which everyone can show their creativity by coming to the party dressed up. Also, we have an annual magnificent archaeologists’ gala! Besides all these drinks and parties, we also organize a lot of lectures and even a big Symposium in collaboration with the Museum of Antiquities in Leiden. By becoming an active member of Terra, you will get to know your fellow students during your first year, from your own year and older years, which will be very convenient during your study. For one single subscription fee of €50,00 you will be a member for life.

**Subgroups and Committees**

Terra coordinates a number of subgroups and committees. The subgroups represent the cultural areas that are taught within the Archaeology course. There is Johan de Laet for the Amerindian region; Johan Picardt for European Archaeology; Maitreya for Oceanian, African and Asian Archaeology; Nabu Na’id for the Near East; and Reuvens for Classical Antiquity and Provincial Roman culture. All subgroups organize their own pub nights, lectures, days out and workshops.   
Besides the subgroups, we also have committees. As a first year you can join a committee to help Terra organize some fun activities. Some of the committees we have include the Gala-committee, the Leidsche Archaeologist Weekend-committee, the book fair-committee and much more.

**The First-Year Weekend (EJW)**

Each year, Terra organizes an introductory weekend for all new Bachelor archaeology students. Every year, this weekend comprises fun activities, a party and an archaeological field trip during which you really get to know your new study mates, potentially entering into lifelong friendships. The previous and current board of Terra will also join you on this weekend and they can tell you more about what the courses within Archaeology entail and what it is like to study in Leiden. For many of the current archaeology students, the First-Year Weekend was the start of a pleasant and interesting time at university. **This year, the EJW will take place between Friday the 6th of September and Sunday the 8th of September 2019.** Thus, make sure you sign up before the 1st of September because a limited amount of places is available.

**Study book discount**

Terra works together with Bol.com. On Terra’s website there is a link to the shop, where you can order all your books with a discount. The shop can be found on [www.lasterra.nl](http://www.lasterra.nl) under “Books”.

As you might have noticed, there is much to be experienced if you are studying archaeology in Leiden, especially if you become a member of Terra. So join in the fun and make sure that you, just like your fellow students, will have an amazing time at Leiden University, Faculty of Archaeology!

We hope to see you soon!

All the best from the board of Terra,

Thomas Chmielowice, Demi Neuteboom, Bas de Kuyper, Emma Oude Veldhuis, Blanca Pesman, Maia Rusu, Mo Mohamed, and Viola Fratta

Sign up- form L.A.S. Terra/First-Years Weekend 2019/2020:

Name:   
Date of Birth:  
Telephone number:   
Bank account number (From which will be paid):   
Email address:  
Signature:

I sign up for (Tick only one box):

* Life-long Terra membership (Once €50,-)\*
* The First-Years Weekend and membership of Terra (Once €105,-)\*

The money has to be transferred before August 30 to the following bank account:   
NL89 RABO 0345 6258 46 t.a.v. L.A.S. Terra with in the description your name + “Membership”. If you have problems with transferring the money because you do not have a Dutch bank account, please send an email to [bestuurlasterra@gmail.com](mailto:bestuurlasterra@gmail.com) so we can solve it.

If you’re going to join the Firs-Years weekend, please fill in the following:   
Allergies:   
Vegetarian:  
Medicines:  
Contact in case of emergency:   
 - Name:   
 - Telephone number:

You can fill in this application, scan it in and mail it to [bestuurlasterra@gmail.com](mailto:bestuurlasterra@gmail.com) or send it by post to:

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