

Report of development dialogue for the Bachelor's programme in Computer Science

To guarantee the quality of the educational programmes at VU Amsterdam, the programmes are assessed once every six years by a panel of external experts. The final assessment of the programme is conducted by the Dutch Flemish Accreditation Organization (NVAO). In addition to the assessment, the programme conducts a development dialogue with the panel, discussing possible improvements.

On 24 and 25 November 2025, the Bachelor's programme in Computer Science was visited and evaluated as 'positive' by the panel. During the development dialogue, the panel and the programme discussed:

- How to thrive without relying on the *numerus fixus* to limit student influx, through a combination of matching activities for prospective students and course tweaks;
- How to improve education workload experience by fostering a different staff culture, valuing and rewarding education at a par with research;
- How to improve student engagement, including through buddy systems and extra-curricular activities.