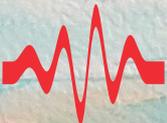


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-  Learn more about the faculty Kick-In

# Welcome

*Author: Thijmen Hoeksma*

Privjet, new student! You must be new here, as I have not seen you around. Do not worry you are in good hands. Everyone here has gone through the same journey and since they're here, they probably survived! That surely means you will survive too!



The next couple of days will be a lot of fun and really exhausting. At the end of the Kick-In it is normal to be a little overwhelmed and very tired. Now what are you going to do? You are here to start your student life, a life full of adventure, long nights, early mornings and hopefully have a good time. Your start here will not be on your own, by the hand of your well chosen do-group parents you will see what the University of Twente has to offer. Whether it will be the vesting bar, the library, the sport and/or culture associations, there is something to enjoy for everybody. Your choice of study is Electrical Engineering, and if I have to say it myself, it is an amazing choice. To help you with your study, there are study associations. Our study association is E.T.S.V. Scintilla and will hopefully be a shining light during your study. A study association is of course not a student association and should not be confused with each other. E.T.S.V. Scintilla will arrange a lot of things for you, including for starters the upcoming faculty Kick-In.

This booklet you're holding currently is really special. The vonk is a electrical engineering related booklet brought to you by active members of Scintilla. However, the vonk has not been published since November 2019 due to it becoming entirely digital. Specially for you this special edition of the

vonk: the 0-vonk has been published so you can read this, right now! Read this book whenever you want, but it may be smart to read the section 'Do-groups' so you are really prepared for an amazing Kick-In experience!

Since the pandemic struck more than a year ago, and still has ongoing consequences. However the future is a bright one, especially now the Kick-In is finally here. The Kick-In will be as much fun as in all the previous years, if not more fun as this is the first year we have you. I sincerely hope you will have a wonderful time this Kick-In and during your study time, nonetheless I also sincerely hope you will have a healthy Kick-In. As of printing this we don't know if there are still COVID-19 rules, but regardless that should not mean you cannot start your student life with a lot of fun. Keep to the rules and have an amazing time!

Now all the formalities have been said. I would like to wish you the best for the next week and a half, which will be very tiring and very fun. Make memories and live out your fantasy!

Thijmen Hoeksma  
Chairman of SKIC 2021



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# A guide to your do-group

*Author: General Kick-In Committee*

Great that you participate in the Kick-In! You are at the start of a very nice week full of activities in which you get to know your fellow students, your study program and the student life in Enschede. More information about the Kick-In programme can be found in the programme booklet that you have received by email. We hope that after you have completed the programme, you are completely ready for student life in Enschede!

## *Do groups*

Of course you do not follow this program alone, because you will join the programme with a do-group! A do-group is a group of about 8 to 12 first-year students from the same study programme. Often the students from your do-group remain your friends for the rest of your student days! A do-group is supervised by two official do-group parents. These are senior students who have already experienced the Kick-In and can therefore show you the best things.

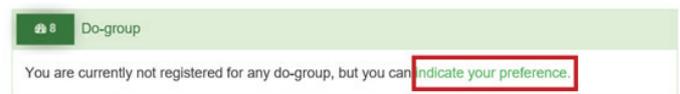
It is now time to choose a do-group that suits you! Every do-group is different.

## *Select a do-group*

The different do-groups that belong to your study will introduce themselves in this booklet. You can read who the do-group parents are and what they like to do during the Kick-In. In addition, they have all recorded a video for you so that you get a good idea of all do-groups and you can make the right choice! Take a moment to take a good look at all the do-groups.

After the central opening has taken place, Kick-In TV will explain how the do-group selection exactly works. Then you have to indicate on our website which do-groups you like by filling in a preference. You do this according to the following step-by-step plan:

1. Go to the website: [www.kick-in.nl](http://www.kick-in.nl)
2. Log in with your login details
3. Click on your Name at the top right
4. Go to your Dashboard
5. Go to 8. Do-group and choose indicate your preference



6. Enter your preference on this page and click Save. You will now see this page:



7. If everyone has filled in his or her preference, you will see your do-group appearing on this page.

Based on your preferences, our system places you in a do-group. The system tries to place as many people as possible in a do-group of their choice.

**Please note!** It is important that you indicate your preference! If you don't do this, you will be placed in a random do-group! Your do-group parents will contact you when your do-group is known, so keep an eye on your phone or email! If you know who your do-group parents and fellow do-group kiddos are, the Kick-In can really start. This starts with meeting your do-group. You will likely get together with your entire do-group at someone's house or in a park as soon as possible. It is important that you meet in a safe way and that everyone adheres to the rules and measures of the government. In addition, of course, everyone should feel comfortable with the situation! If it is not possible to be physically present yourself, you can of course meet the rest of the group by video calling! For now, have fun reading this booklet and hopefully you will find a do-group that suits you and have a great Kick-In! Have fun!

# Broadening your horizons

Author: Pauline Lettinga



Welcome to Enschede, to the campus of the University of Twente. You have now entered the world of a student. Your student life starts, or continues, at E.T.S.V. Scintilla in Enschede.

Starting new things can be scary sometimes. Three years ago, I was in the same situation as you are now: new to this university, the city Enschede and new to student life. Wondering what friends I would make, what new hobbies I might find or what sports or cultural association I might join. Three years later, I can confidently say everything worked out pretty great, I hope they will too for you. Currently I am in an exciting new situation. This is because I am candidate President of Scintilla. Along with five fellow third year students, I am putting my studies aside to become the full-time board of Scintilla.

Now, you might be wondering, what even is Scintilla? E.T.S.V. Scintilla stands for ElektroTechnische StudieVereniging Scintilla or Study Association for Electrical Engineering. All the way back in 1965, when the University of Twente was still the “Technische Hogeschool Twente” or “Twente Technological University of Applied Sciences”, a group of Electrical Engineering students founded this association to make the lives of students a little bit easier and more fun. Last year, Scintilla celebrated its 55th birthday and still has those same goals.

Scintilla helps with very practical study needs, such as giving away free pens and notebooks and a discount on study books. Next to that Scintilla also safeguards the quality of the study. If you ever encounter a problem with the study program, please come and find us so we can help you out and/or improve things for the future. Furthermore, Scintilla also organizes some courses that are not taught in the program, like a soldering course,

or courses for self-improvement like how to write a curriculum vitae (CV). Scintilla also brings you in contact with different companies in our field to show you what kind of projects they are working on and give you an idea where you would like to end up working in the future.

All of this is made possible by many enthusiastic and hardworking members. As long as there is an idea that people are passionate about, almost anything is possible. During the pandemic this obviously was a bit harder, but even then, many fun online activities took place. Examples are an online murder mystery, game tournaments and an escape room.

Hopefully when you are reading this the pandemic is as good as over and your student life can start with a bang. In any case, enjoy this time! Try out as many things as you can. The world is your oyster, and anything is possible. Make your student life a time to remember. Hopefully, I will see you at lots of Scintilla activities, maybe you'll even organize some in the future. Most importantly: start developing yourself and broaden your horizons!

Dames en Heren, Op de Koningin, Op Scintilla

# Introducing: SKIC 2021

*Author: SKIC 2021*

This year's Scintilla's Kick-In Committee (SKIC) will consist of six handsome, smart and also crazy second year students, who'll make your faculty Kick-In 2021 a great success (or at least we hope so!). Of course you have to know these people because they've done a lot of work for you. Another reason why you should get to know these people is because you can ask them a lot of questions. So here we go!

## Thijmen Hoeksma

Privet freshman, if you are a loyal reader, you will have probably read the introduction piece. In that case, you know that I am the chairman of the SKIC committee. Now you might wonder who is Thijmen and what does he do as a chairman.

Like I said, my name is Thijmen and I come from Hoofddorp. Two years ago I moved to Enschede to study Electrical Engineering. During my Kick-In I was part of Annie 29 and I live here with the parents of Annie 31 in the Annie house. I am an active member within Scintilla, being part of the embroidery commission and of course organising the amazing Kick-In you are going to experience!

Luckily, I do not have to organize it alone. I have an amazing team of 5 other awesome students around me, that have been working all year to make this an unforgettable experience. As the chairman of the committee, I am supposed to make sure everything is well coordinated, and runs as smooth as it can be. Whether or not I have succeeded in that objective is up to you. If there are any complaints please contact the secretary Roosmarijn. I will meanwhile be available at all times if you wish to give any compliments about the organisation of

the camp, or if you just want to have some fun!

This is where I find myself repeating what I have already said before, but it simply cannot be stressed enough. Make sure you have stupidly large amounts of fun, try to memorize all of that fun, and make sure you can look back on those amazing moments with the people you experienced them with! Anyway, this was Thijmen over and out.





## Roosmarijn Meijers

Hello soon to be 'Sjaars', I'm Roos and I'm the secretary of the SKIC. This means I don't have one specific task in organising the faculty part of the kick-in, but get to use my writing skills to respond to a lot of emails and make minutes for all meetings. I'm 20 years, soon to be third year Electrical Engineering student and I am born and raised in Goor, a city that knows how to live up to its name.

I have been an active member of Scintilla for a few years now. In my first year I started with the Parentsday committee, which organizes a day that will leave your parents slightly less (or in our case more) confused about what you're studying. I also joined the sjaarscie committee, which is the committee full of EE freshmen. Since the committee is run by students who have no clue of what to do, you are allowed to mess up a lot. In my second year I joined the SCALA (Scintilla's Committee for All Likable Activities) which organizes the Christmas dinner, Summer BBQ and a scala off other activities. I also joined the prom committee, but unfortunately it got cancelled due to COVID-19.

You might have also seen me at the open day and I am the chairwoman of the women's sorority Stellae. When I'm not

busy with studying or scintilla (or postponing something) I like to have a few beers at absint, the bar of the faculty. I also have some hobbies that I do besides all this and I have a love-hate relationship with sports. This may sound like a lot, but I actually still have time left for studying.

I hope you will enjoy your Kick-In as much as I did. If there are any complaints please contact the person responsible, our chairman Thijmen. But if you wish to give any compliments about the organisation of the camp, you can go to who you think deserves that compliment. \*wink wink\*

And most importantly, don't forget to have fun!



## Ben van Straalen

Dear upcoming electrical engineering students, my name is Ben van Straalen. I am the treasurer of the SKIC, this means I am in charge of all the numbers to make sure that we don't spend too much but let's not get carried away with paperwork, first something about myself

I have currently finished my second year of EE at the university, hopefully my third year will be better pandemic wise. I come from Wognum a village in West-Friesland, a region in Noord-Holland not in Friesland of course. When I first came to Enschede I didn't think committees were for me, but halfway in the first year I saw the light and joined the scrapheap, although there wasn't much to organise because of corona, it was enough for me to want to join committees next year, so I joined the borrel and SKIC and now I am an actual active member of Scintilla.

The remainder of my free time I spend with music. I have a band and I am part of SHOT, the student harmony orchestra, together with Pieter. Beside drums and the percussion at the orchestra, I am also trying to learn other instruments like bass guitar and flute. Any time that is not spent making music I listen to music mostly old stuff like Pink Floyd or Deep Purple, less old stuff like Slayer or Het Goede Doel or even 'modern' mu-

sic like dream theater or Primus.

If you have complaints regarding the financing you can of course come to me, if you have actual complaints please contact someone else or still me I won't mind. If you have anything else to ask me, don't hesitate to approach me. You can find me a quarter past 3 getting chocolate milk at S.C.V.M.D.D.V.S.G.H or on Thursdays at the Vrijhof and afterwards the VB.



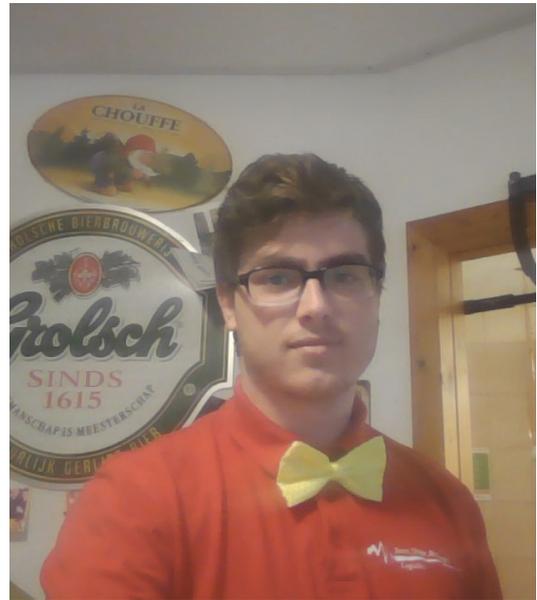
## Jibbe Andringa

Dear aspiring Electrical Engineers.

My name is Jibbe Andringa and I'll be in charge of the logistics during your Kick-In. I was raised in Uitgeest (small town in Noord-Holland) but moved to Schoonoord (an extremely small town in Drenthe) when I was 8 years old. During my free time I like to play guitar, do sports like archery or fitness, play video games and drinking a beer with friends.

In my first year I joined the Parents Day committee and half-way during the year also the Sjaarscie. In my second year I joined SKIC and now I'll be joining the SECS, so you could say I'm relatively active within Scintilla. Joining Scintilla has been beneficial in 2 ways. First of all, Scintilla helps greatly with study related stuff, like free pencils and notebooks, huge discounts on books and people that can help you with your study. On the other hand, Scintilla offers a great variety of social activities like drinks, barbeques and more.

Should you have any complaints, please contact either our chairman Thijmen or secretary Roosmarijn. If you have any other questions or would just like to get to know me better, I'm always up for a talk and I'll be around during the Kick-In



## Aniek Oude Bruinink

Hello upcoming Electrical Engineering students!

My name is Aniek. I am the locations and activity manager of SKIC 2021. Everything location and activity related are mostly arranged by me. If you have questions regarding these, please do not hesitate to ask me.

The theme of the faculty Kick-In is disco in the Sovjet Union. All the members have a special nickname. The fellow members of the SKIC thought that it was fun to call me Olga. Don't be confused by all the special names. You can call me either Aniek or Olga during the faculty Kick-In.

I am studying Electrical Engineering for two years now. In my first year I became an active member of the study association Scintilla. In other words, I joined committees to arrange fun and educational activities for the students.

Besides being an active member at Scintilla, I like to sport, especially running and cycling. But in a lazy mood, you can often find me painting or gaming.

During my Kick-In I joined the do-group Annie. Last year I was the parent of this lovely do-group. Then it was not possible to organize the Kick-In without strict regulations. Luckily, this year it will be different!

I hope that you will enjoy the Kick-In as much as I did two years ago. I would like to see you around the coming year!





## Pieter Paasman

Hi! My name is Pieter, or Pjotr to fit our theme.

My task during the Kick-In is the planning, so if you are unhappy with the order of the activities you'll have to get mad at me (but please don't fight me, I'm not very strong).

I originally come from Zeist, a town in the middle of the Netherlands, and this year I will start my third year at EE. I am 20 years old.

Two years ago I was part of ELCO 16. Except from the amazing SKIC, I am part of Scintilla's Webteam.

Next from all this I play the trombone in SHOT together with Ben, the Twente Student Orchestra which is a lot of fun. If you have any questions during the Kick-In, don't hesitate asking a SKIC-member because we'll be happy to help!

For complaints, please go to either Thijmen or Roosmarijn. They'll both be annoyed and the thought of that makes me happy.

In fact, please look for something to complain about to them. Thanks in advance.

I hope you have fun during the coming week and I know you will meet a lot of new people which can be scary, but don't worry because others are going through the same :)



# The do-groups

*Auteur: SKIC 2021*

Finally the do-groups get to introduce themselves. Over here are small pieces of all the do-groups telling something about the do-group. Read this carefully since the choice you are going to make will be a life changer!

## Annie 31

Hey kiddos! We're Esra and Menno, your future do-group parents if you join Annie, which you definitely should. After all, there is a reason Annie already exists for 31 years, it's the best do-group around. We have our very own mascot, the plush Annie Aardbei, a flag or two, and a neat yell. And don't forget, on Wednesdays (and every other day) we wear pink. During the Kick-In, Annie does it all: day activities, exploring the campus & city, and a lot of partying, while still being able to sleep (somewhat). We'll drag you through it, and while we're at it, we'll help you get through your first year too. Both parents are active members at the study association and OK students, so we'll get you through that test. Still got that nice 1/10? We'll help you forget by drinking together. After all, Esra also lives off of resits too. So, are you an active and enthusiastic kiddo who vibes with pink? Do you want to join EE's oldest dogroup instead of a knock off? Join Annie 31! Don't spread corona, spread the pink.



## Elco 18

TEMPO! It's time for Kick-In 2021 to bring new hopes and ELCO 18 is ready to take all the opportunities to have fun! With 16 generations of normal Kick-In and a 17th very special year, we have all the experience we need to bring back the student life. This year, ELCO is reaching the magical age of 18, so get ready for something BIG, something GREAT! Your parents, Huub and Justin (and let's not forget uncle Aaron) are here to make sure you have a good and memorable time. Organizing student activities (sjaarscie), playing music, cooking (don't drink on an empty stomach!), having a few drinks and partying are some of the things we love. So, whether you want your life to be a constant party (ELCO! ELCOHOL!) or you want to be in as many diverse activities, the Dutch-Romanian combo, experienced in both physical and online Kick-In, ELCO 18 is the CHOICE! This year will be different, with the best of all that was in the past and a refreshing new start because "alles hier is ELCO", so ELCO! ELCO ALL!





## Duracell XIII

Hello upcoming first year Electrical Engineer! We are Miguel and Bas and if you'd like to, we will be your do-group parents this year when you are joining Duracell XIII. The two of us, together with the support of our do-group parents and uncles of Duracell XII, will guide you through this year's Kick-in in which hopefully a lot of things will be normal again. Duracell is all about making fun together and, as our quote says, 'going on where the rest stops'! During this year's Kick-in we will try to join many fun activities including sport activities, parties and everything else that the Kick-in program offers. We both know quite some things of different associations and aspects of the student life and will try to help you getting to know it as much as you'd like. Of course, we will also take our rest to recharge by going to a lake together or do some other relaxing activities. Within our do-group, you will make friends for the rest of your study-time! We hope to see you soon!



## Perry X

Good day fellow first years! We, Merlijn & Sjouke, will be your do group parents at Perry X and we will guide you together with our mascot Perry through a great first week of your career as a student. Our greatest aim is to amuse you and let you get acquainted with the university and, most importantly, all new other first years! It does not matter whether you are looking for a "Grolsch" or a "de Klok", or just the most fun possibly extractable from a week, or just both, you will be at the right place at Perry! We will show you around in your new university and city and are planning to meet up with people as much as possible during the kick in and make you never forget this fantastic week! So, if you are looking for great parties and a fantastic introduction

into your student career, don't hesitate and sign up for Perry X!  
"Hey by the way, where's Perry? Hmmmm, I smell strawberry..."



## Electrocuteers 8.0

Hello kiddos. We are Electrocuteers 8.0!!! Here to deliver the best Kick-In ever. As the Kick-In of last year was plagued by corona we as the do-group parents missed out on some nice parties. That's why we want to make this Kick-In extra special, and something you will never forget... Or will you ;)

How rude of us, we didn't even introduce ourselves. We are Casper and Niels and we will (Hopefully) be your do-group parents. We are active students that take part in all types of activities such as: rock climbing, wakeboarding, kitesurfing, tennis, theater and one of us is a member of the student association Taste.

We are here to help you explore the campus by day and the city by night. So do you want an active do-group which will show you all the fun parts of the kick in, you've come to the right place. So don't hesitate and chose Electrocuteers 8.0.



## Brak Obama V

The 2021 kick-in marks the fifth year of the Brak Obama Reign. As responsible parents we will make sure our kiddo's get to know the university campus and all the facilities offered for recreation and productivity. One of our top priorities is exploring the exotic city of Enschede and all the bars and monuments that the city has to offer. Ofcourse there are also lots of fun activities, like the camping trip organized by the Kick-in which our group will gladly participate in. Us parents are local and international so you are guaranteed to have a great time! So get ready to have an amazing time and start your year in the most fun way, with Brak Obama V!



## NP-Junction

NP-Junction is the youngest do-group this year and we would like to celebrate this magnificent moment with you, the aspiring Kiddo reading this! We are Timo and Alfonso, two electrical engineering students and the parents for this do-group to be. Our hobbies include: hiking, listening to and making music, having a drink with friends, and trying to play some soccer.

If the Covid-19 situation allows for it, our goal of the Kick-In is to try and do a lot of activities during the day and party during the evening! In between the activities we can just take it chill and get to know the other kiddo's. No matter if you want to pull through till 6 am or want to start the day just a few hours later at 10 am, we want you to get as much out of your Kick-In as possible even if that means getting a healthy dose of the infamous "Kick-In Typhus fever".

If we still have some Corona related disappointment, we will try and present an alternative online activity :), but it is going to be a lot of fun anyways.

If you are an energetic kiddo that likes to do various activities,

then we are the do-group for you!



## HopHop 3.5

The Kick-In offers loads of different activities, by day and by night. To make the most out of your Kick-In we will hop to all the best activities. From culture to sports to parties to end the day right. With HopHop your parents Ivan and Mattijn from different study years will show you all the best of Enschede and the campus so you'll experience the best start of the studies you can get!

"But where does the other hop in your name come from?", you might ask? This, of course, refers to the copious amounts of liquefied hop we will consume during the Kick-In. If you want to, of course. You can always hop onto something else, because nothing is impossible during our time together.

Double the hop, double the fun!



# The program

*Author: SKIC 2021*

The SKIC 2021 tried their best to make an awesome and corona proof program for you. Unfortunately we had to move the camp due to Corona regulations. You can sign up for this later on the Scintilla website. The program can be found on both the Kick-In site and the Scintilla-site, nevertheless we also printed it here below. For some activities you need a bike so don't forget to bring one!

## Monday 30th of August

time	activity
08:30	EE breakfast
10:30	Informative talks
13:00	Faculty lunch
14:00	Educational activities
17:00	Drinks
18:00	Dinner
20:00	Secret evening activity

## Tuesday 31th of August

time	activity
09:00	Morning activity
11:30	Lunch
13:00	Swimming
18:00	Dinner
20:00	Game night

## Wednesday 1 of September

time	activity
09:30	Picnic brunch
13:00	Campus scavenger hunt
17:00	General KickIn activities

# Brassen

*Author: Matthijs van Minnen*

'Brassen' is the taking hold of objects with primarily emotional value. It is different from 'stealing' since the motive is not financial gain. Instead, the person taking hold of the object, the care-taker, attempts to keep it safe from possible harm.

These items, often do-group shirts or association related items, are very dire to the owners and should not be left alone. The fact that you are keeping it safe means that the owner was not paying attention. Naturally, you are willing to return the item, but only after the owner shows he or she is capable of keeping the item safe, which can be done by completing the 'Bras-assignment'.

There are a few simple rules to keep brassen civil:

1. Brassen concerns items with large EMOTIONAL value. Taking other items is considered stealing.
2. You can only 'bras' items that are out in the open, you are not supposed to dig in bags of other people or destroy things in order to reach the emotional object.
3. You are also not supposed to destroy the item itself. Losing the item is also a big shame as it proves that you too, are not worthy of keeping the item.
4. You can only 'bras' items from students of equal rank. So, do-groups from do-groups and association boards from other associations. You are not supposed to 'bras' from your own do-group or association as you are on the same side.
5. Upon taking the item, you have 24 hours to deliver a 'bras-letter' to the owner. The 'bras-letter' should be in written form and should notify the owner that his or her items is kept safe. The 'bras-letter' can also state what the owner can do to prove his or her worthiness.

6. The owner must adequately proof that he or she is worthy of owning the item, otherwise the caretaker can decide to keep the item for a little while longer.

Please use common sense to determine which items have EMOTIONAL value and which items do not. Please keep these rules in mind and be careful where you leave your do-group shirt >:).

# How does one sticker a sticker!?

*Author: SKIC 2019*

Stickers are a status symbol! Confused? Think back to kindergarten, once you correctly completed a test you would get stickers as a reward. From that point onwards, it was known: more stickers = more better. Fast forward and you enter the university, you get handed a couple of Scintilla stickers, cool! But where to place them?

In contrast to primary school there are a few simple rules:

1. Respect your association! You don't want to be associated with dirty places like dustbins or toilets, so don't place stickers there!
2. It is a general goal (and competition between associations) to place the sticker in the highest possible place, or at least higher than everyone else. Be aware that respect for any association is important, therefore, you should not place stickers over other stickers.
3. Related to the two points above, placing a sticker on the floor is the worst possible choice, it is both dirty and below everyone else. Moreover, you would not want people to trample both you and your association.  
**DON'T PLACE STICKERS ON THE GROUND!**

4. In fact, just use common sense to determine whether, or not a place is suitable for a sticker from your beloved association.

Spread the word, uhm, stickers! And be sure to keep these simple rules in mind.



# Sjaarscie

*Author: Sjaarscie 2021*

Scintilla's Freshmen Committee, the Sjaarsie, organizes all kinds of activities that let you get to know your fellow students.

First year? S'jaar. First committee? Sjaarscie!  
Whether you want to learn about the responsibilities of a committee member or just the best way of having fun with your fellow fresh(wo)men, be sure to check Sjaarscie out!

You get to learn about committees by being a part of one: discover the formal roles of the chairperson, secretary, treasurer, and the not-so-formal roles of your choosing. Organize and participate at events meant to bring EERs together, such as the heart-warming Sjaarscie's Secret Santa or the spine-chilling WhatsApp Weerwolven van Wakkerdam game. Do that or anything else, keeping the curious and innovative spirit of the first-years alive and thriving.

That is also how we got here: we wanted to have fun and to be part of a special committee, to meet new people, fellow fresh(wo)men, and to make sure that we'll enjoy the whole year like that. Even the meetings are always full of laughter!

What we do is simple: organize activities that bring people together, helping them discover some part of what the student life has to offer. In the time of the full online university, we had to adapt and search of ways to get you closer to each other on the internet. Because we felt that people needed reasons to celebrate, give and be given gifts, now more than ever, the Secret Santa activity appeared. Afterwards, we followed in the steps of the previous year's Sjaarscie and started the real-time Werewolves game on WhatsApp, where the fight for survival between the townsfolk and the night creatures never ends.

If you also want to become a member of this amazing committee, you don't have to dream about it, just sign up. We are looking forward to welcoming you, sjaars!





# Parents Day

*Author: Parents Day committee 2020*

Struggling with soldering, feeling dumb during a lecture and drinking your sorrows away because of the complicated theory. You can watch live how your parents experience it all during the Parents Day

As a first year committee, you are able to decide whatever they need to endure on your day.

Some parents might find it difficult to imagine what it is like to be a first year Electrical Engineering student. For this reason, the Parents Day will be organised every year. Usually, this day consists of some lectures and practical work. As the Parents Day committee, you will decide which lectures are given, what the parents need to solder and what will be served for lunch and dinner.

A whole day needs to be organised full of creative ideas. Throughout the regular meet-ups you will experience how to organise activities as well as bonding with the scintilla community. These are your first baby steps in becoming an active member of Scintilla in the future, guaranteed with lots of fun and drinks.

Every year there are exciting parents who love to see what their child is doing daily. You can help them give a clear view of the study and your student life.

# Scrapheap

*Author: Scrapheap 2019-2020*

Scrapheap?

If you want to do more than just studying at the university, join a committee. When you join a committee you will get the know Scintilla even better and you will learn all sort of organising skills. The best committee is of course the scrapheap, but what even is the scrapheap?

The scrapheap is an event where the participants will have one full weekend to build a robot out of electronic scrap to fulfil a certain challenge, in 2019 for instance this challenge was to move around a track and shoot targets, the year before that it was to make a robot which could move as much scrap as possible from the centre pile of scrap to the teams scrap pile. Most of the weekend will be spent on robot building but there will also be a drink each evening.

The scrapheap committee will be organising this fantastic event, from coming up with the challenge, to collecting all the scrap but also organising the lunch and dinners during the weekend. When you join the scrapheap you won't have to worry about having too little time for your study because the scrapheap itself is at the end of the academic year and the meetings will start half way the second module, by that time you will be adjusted to student life and have plenty of time. so if you like scrap join the scrapheap

# FC Scintilla

FC Scintilla (Fotocommissie Scintilla) is the photo committee of Scintilla, the members of which take photos at all sorts of scintilla activities. When another committee wants photos of their activity they will ask FC Scintilla for help, after which this committee will make sure that photos will be taken of all the fun things happening at an activity. It can also happen that a committee wants a little bit more than just somebody taking pictures. For example during last Christmas dinner FC Scintilla made a photobooth, where people could get a photo with some funny attributes. It is also possible to take pictures of activities where a photographer was not requested, just by picking up the camera and taking photos.

For this committee it is pretty important to enjoy making photos or if you want to learn how to use the complicated settings of a photo camera.

If you are interested you can send an email to: [foto@scintilla.utwente.nl](mailto:foto@scintilla.utwente.nl)



# Stores

Scintilla's Trading Organization for Reduced-price Electronics and Study-needs (STORES) is a small electronics shop ran entirely by Electrical Engineering students. The inventory of the STORES includes a wide variety of electrical components you might need for your study or your own hobby project, cables and tools at low prices.

When you join the STORES you will be running the store with 2 other (more experienced) salesmen and you will learn a lot about all the components that you sell. You can find the STORES at the ground floor of the Educafé on your way to the Scintilla room and it is open each working day from 12:45 till 13:30.

We are always looking for new members and if you have more questions, please don't hesitate to contact us or just come over.

But for now, on behalf of all members of the STORES I wish you a great time during the Kick-In and all the best during the rest of your study.

Email: [stores@scintilla.utwente.nl](mailto:stores@scintilla.utwente.nl)

Website: [www.stores.utwente.nl](http://www.stores.utwente.nl)





# MasterCLASS

*Author: MasterCLASS 2021*

## What is the MasterCLASS?

The MasterCLASS organizes or hosts courses throughout the year. These can be related to electrical engineering, software, professional and/or personal skills. Examples include a soldering course, a PCB designing course, a LATEX course or a resume course.

## About the committee

The MasterCLASS provides a variety of courses throughout the year. Some of which can be given from the expertise of the committee members, as there are many people within Scintilla with enough skills to give a course themselves. There are however some topics where an expert could give a better course. In this case the members of the MasterCLASS make contact with different parties to arrange such a course.

## What can I learn by joining the course committee?

Joining the MasterCLASS will give you the opportunity to communicate with companies and other parties to arrange courses. Moreover, by being actively involved with the organization of the different courses you can pick up knowledge about those different courses too. In general, you will learn to negotiate and determine requirements to which the different courses should adhere.

## Should I join this committee?

Do you want to host professional and educational activities which provide your fellow students with essential knowledge? Then hesitate no longer and join Scintilla's MasterCLASS!



# STUDI

*Author: STUDI 2019*

Scintilla's Taskforce for University Developments and Improvements (abbreviated as STUDI) is the educational committee of the study association for Electrical Engineering (EE), Scintilla. The committee aims to uphold the quality of education at EE and improve where possible. Members that are actively involved in improving the educational quality of Electrical Engineering. The committee acts as the voice of students, expressing the concerns and defending the interests of both Bachelor and Master students at various levels.



Contrary to high school, studying EE at the University of Twente (UT) is your choice. Therefore, you get a lot more responsibilities and can also exert more influence upon your own education. The UT strongly acknowledges this, and has several important councils in which students can participate. STUDI members can be found in all of the important councils that deal with the education of EE. In this way, we can easily voice our ideas for improvements at the relevant level. If you have complaints regarding education, you can always

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email them to us and we will examine and tackle the issue accordingly. Of course you can also always voice your thoughts to one of us in the hallways, we are also just students after all!

We actively try to improve the contacts between students and staff members, for example by organising the educational prize for the best teacher and by regularly meeting with the programme director. These contacts also enable us to effectively improve the courses and examination regulations.

Because we want to know your opinions about your education, we also organise evaluation lunches to see which issues arose during your quartile. You will receive an invitation at the end of each quartile to participate, let your voice be heard and receive free lunch!

Do you want to be actively involved in the quality of your education? Or are you just curious about what we do? You can always visit our website for more information, or join us at one of our bimonthly committee meetings. We are always up for opinions and discussions!

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# EE sports

*Author: EE sports 2021*

## What is EE-Sports?

A whole new world, a whole fantastic point of view. This sentence describes EE Sports most aptly, you see EE Sports' name is in fact completely illogical.

Combining EE and Sports in one sentence is a felony in Germany. All jokes, except a few, aside EE Sports is the sports committee of Scintilla hosting a variety of serious and casual sportive activities.

The active activities actively act as accommodation to account for the sportive aches of Scintilla members, for example the yearly evening of ice-skating or karting etc..

Less active, but very amusing, activities include the eating contest, Olympiae Scintillae and much more! On top of all these fun activities EE Sports also organises the famous Bavierenrace.

## About the committee

Electrical Engineers are generally not easily convinced in to partaking in any sportive activity, consequently we try to provide a variety of different sports which we feel confident most people will enjoy.

So if you fancy organising any activity vaguely competitive/active/sportive, EE sports might be for you!

## What can I learn by joining EE-Sports?

There are a lot of things you can learn at EE-Sports, like:

- Making people that do not like sport do sports;
- Analysing cucumber eating techniques;
- Organizational skills to arrange large activities and keep groups organized during large events.

Should I join this committee?

Are you interested in sports? Do you like to organize activities? Join EE Sports



# The buildings

*Author: SKIC 2021*

For an Electrical Engineering student there will be two important buildings: firstly the Zilverling and secondly Carré. As you might already expect from the name, the Zilverling is the silver/gray building situated near the 'O&O' square. In this building you'll have no lectures, but you will lunch, do your practicum, buy your electronic parts at the 'STORES' and participate in activities from 'E.T.S.V. Scintilla'. The most important thing about the Zilverling, as you will discover yourself, is the bar. Your courses will mainly be in Carré, the large building next to the Zilverling. At each floor there are some lecture halls. Here below you can read something about the buildings just mentioned.



## The Zilverling & Educafé

The most important place in the Zilverling is the Educafé. When you enter the Zilverling at the main entrance, turn left twice and you're in the Educafé. In the Educafé there are multiple study associations located, namely Abacus from Applied Mathematics, Inter-Actief from Technical Computer Science and Scintilla from Electrical Engineering. Inside the room of the study association and Educafé there are work spaces to do your homework and play computer games.

## E.T.S.V. Scintilla

Also located in the Zilverling is E.T.S.V. Scintilla, our

study association, of which the room is at the first floor of the Educafé. Scintilla organizes all kinds of activities for all student of Electrical Engineering. More about Scintilla can be found in the rest of this 0-Vonk.

## The S.T.O.R.E.S.

At the ground floor of the Educafé there is the STORES, which stands for Scintilla's Trading Organization for Reduced-prices Electronics and Study needs. This store, which is organized by students from Scintilla, makes sure an electronics student can buy all kinds of things he might need. You can think of cables, books, components and all kinds of other things. It is open each working day from 12:30 till 13:30 during the break. During the exam period and holidays the STORES will be closed.

## The Westzaal

The Westzaal is located at the back of the Zilverling, straight on when you enter the Zilverling. This is the room where you'll do your practicums during your bachelor. Your projects in the first year will also be held here, which last about 1 to 3 weeks depending on the project.



## The Bastille

The Bastille is the student building on the Campus, in here there are a lot of associations and commissions who do versatile things. The Kick-In committee, who organizes the general things of the Kick-In is located over here. You can also find the UnionShop over here. The UnionShop is the store of the Student Union. They sell various items which you may need during your study, including the readers for various subjects. It's also possible to rent beamers and screens over here.



## The Vrijhof

The Vrijhof contains the university library as well as a restaurant and place for culture associations. The Vrijhof also houses the SACC: Student Affairs Coaching & Counselling, also known as the 'Rode Balie'. If a student has personal circumstances that require help, this is the place to go. The SACC can offer coaching and counselling.



## Carré

Carré houses a lot of offices of professors and lecturers. While the building might sometimes seem like a maze, once you know where to look you can find what you need quite easily. There are also some lecture rooms in Carré, on the second and third floor.

## Horst

The large building with the tower in the middle is the Horst. A lot of lectures and tutorials will be given in the Horst. You can also find a lot of study space in the tower, as well as a great view of the campus and Enschede.



## Spiegel and Waaier

Spiegel and Waaier mostly house lecture halls for larger groups. For example mathematics, which is given to multiple studies at once, will be given in these lecture halls. You can find the mensa in the Waaier as well. This is a restaurant for students, where you can get lunch and a warm meal.



# Online course information

*Author: SKIC 2021*

It is now, more than ever, important to know how the digital services of the university work. In this article, a few important facilities are explained.

First of all, there is of course the site of the university (<https://www.utwente.nl/en/>), but you probably already know this. Because you need a laptop for your studies, the university has a notebook project each year (<https://www.utwente.nl/en/nsc/>). Here, you can order a laptop through the university, at a big discount.

Canvas (<https://canvas.utwente.nl/>). Here teachers can publish lecture slides, exercises and practise tests. The teachers can also publish grades on here and make announcements. As Canvas is also where you hand in your assignments, you will use it a lot, so it is important to know how it works. Upon opening canvas, you will be on your dashboard. Here you can see all your followed courses. Clicking on a course will send you to the course page. With the navigation on the left you can navigate to; Home: this is where you can find all the files the teachers post as well as recent feedback and announcements, Announcements: this is where the teachers post their announcements, OSIRIS course information: here you can find how many points each subject is worth and a general overview of the module, Assignments: here you can find all the assignments and when they are due, Conferences: this is where you can find all the online lectures and tutorials and sometimes even recordings of them and People: here you can see

everybody enrolled in this course and what their role is (student, teacher, TA). You can also sign up for and see groups for projects and labs. Besides the canvas site, there is also a canvas app.

OSIRIS (<https://osiris.utwente.nl/student>). This is where you have to enroll for each module and where your results are officially published. Once you have registered for a course you automatically get access to the canvas page of that course. Register is where you register for modules. De-register is where you can find the overview of which courses you have been registered for. Results is where you can find your results.

The schedule (<https://rooster.utwente.nl/>). This is mostly self-explanatory, but important is that you have to add the correct timetables. This can be done by clicking “Add timetable” on the right. Select the module/study program for 2021/2022 as this is your study year. It is also possible to link the schedule to google agenda so you have your schedule together with your personal agenda.

Lastly, there is the notebook service center (<https://www.nsc.utwente.nl/software/>). Here you can download the necessary software for the courses, such as MATLAB.