

VU StartHub community November 2021

What is VU StartHub about?

Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam wants to encourage entrepreneurial behaviour among its students, researchers and staff as much as possible. To this end, a pavilion will be built on the campus mid 2022, which will be able to accommodate start-ups from the VU community. This way science based startups can profit from being very close to the VU campus science & knowledge hub. In this factsheet we provide an overview of the most important facts for entrepreneurs who are considering (re)locating to VU StartHub.

Who is VU StartHub for?

All VU students, researchers and staff can apply at VU StartHub. There must be a link to the VU with at least one of the founders. Also you need an Amsterdam Chamber of Commerce registration. We offer office space including community benefits for early stage startups, both in age (< 3 yr) and in employee size (<10).

What kind of memberships does VU StartHub offer?

We will realise a startup community that offers much more than just affordable office space. We know from experience that young entrepreneurs also need a fostering community and network to be able to thrive. This is why we offer all members the following:

- fast internet/WiFi and heating included in the rent
- 24/7 access to VU StartHub pavilion
- use of "De Boelelaan 1105, 1081 HV Amsterdam" business address
- use of meeting rooms (using an online planning system)
- use of flexplaces by Flexible Members (details to be agreed)
- mentoring by a mentor from our Alumni Mentoring Pool and from the Partner Mentoring Pool
- free appliance to the Startup Clinic (for your legal challenges)
- good access to VU intern pool
- easy access to other members of the VU StartHub community
- VU StartHub community meetups, presentations and (social) get togethers
- free publicity via the VU Entrepreneurship + Impact website, newsletter and socials

We offer three types of membership (ex VAT)

1. **Resident membership:** permanent office - € 480 p/m (16 m2) or € 1.125 p/m (32m2), two month notice period, starting Q2 2022
2. **Flexible membership:** use of flex desks - € 100 pp/p/m, 2.5 dpw average, 2-4p, space booking in advance, one month notice period , starting Q2 2022
3. **Virtual membership:** € 150 p/m per startup - no office space, all benefits above (meeting room use max 4 hours per week), one month notice period

What are the obligations of VU StartHub community members?

We strongly believe a vibrant community is a success factor to VU StartHub entrepreneurs. When you join us it is expected from you that you have the same attitude towards cooperation, learning from each other, helping out and sharing great and not so great experiences. We will organise regular meetups, get togethers, parties and other moments to share entrepreneurial adventures. We envision StartHub members to actively participate in the community and its events.

Further inquiries

Interested? Please contact Hans Drenth at info@vu-ondernemend.nl and drop him a line. He would be happy to answer all your questions!

Team VU Entrepreneurship & Impact

