This autumn (2018), the Graduate School of Humanities will organise two courses and several (lunch) meetings:

- Key Issues in the Humanities
- Research Integrity
- Meetings of the PhD colloquium

**Key Issues in the Humanities (2EC):**
This course will be combined with a Graduate Seminar for Master’s and Research Master’s students in the Faculty of Humanities on Wednesday, 29 January 2020 (13.30-17.30h, room 8A-33 and others). PhD-candidates are invited to actively participate in the discussions by preparing presentations about Key Issues in the Humanities. In order to prepare for the presentations, two workshops will be organized: the first workshop will be Wednesday 11 December (15.30-17.15h, room 12A-37), the second workshop will be Wednesday 15 January 2020 (15.30-17.15h, room 14A-36). More information will be sent to the participants in early November. Registration for this course must be done via the website of the Graduate School of Humanities. Registration will be possible from 1 September to 1 November. Early November you will be given all the relevant information and materials to prepare. Please be aware that attendance during the two workshops and during the Graduate Seminar is compulsory to obtain the certificate of this mandatory course.
For questions, please contact the Graduate School, graduate.school.fgw@vu.nl

**Research Integrity – Arts and Humanities (2EC):**
This mandatory course consists of a two-day program with independent study prior to the first meeting and in between the two meetings. The first day will be Wednesday October 23 (10.00-17.00h, room 12A-37), where we will dig deeper into breaches of integrity and the values that form the groundwork of integrity. On the second day, Wednesday November 27 (10.00-17.00h, room 4A-28), you will follow workshops from experts about privacy in research and research data management. Please register for this course on the Graduate School of Humanities website. Registration will be possible from 1 September till 1 October.
Early October, you will be given all the relevant information and materials to prepare. Please be aware that attendance during the two days is compulsory to obtain the certificate needed to complete your education program as a PhD in the humanities. For questions, please contact the Graduate School, graduate.school.fgw@vu.nl

**Meetings of the PhD colloquium (1EC):**
All PhD candidates are cordially invited to join in the meetings of the PhD colloquium. We will organise lunch meetings and workshops on themes like ‘lekenpraatje’ and defending your thesis; time management, open access, privacy regulations, presentation skills and career orientation. The first lunch meeting will be on Tuesday 22 October, 12:00-13:15 (room 14A-20). During this meeting we will announce the programme of the forthcoming sessions (November 2019 – June 2020).

Furthermore:

**Advanced Academic Writing for PhD researchers (3EC):**
As a PhD researcher, you can participate in the courses of the Academic Language Programme (ALP). We especially recommend the course Advanced academic writing for PhD researchers. Building on an
analysis of participants’ own texts submitted prior to commencement, this course gives you a clear idea of your strengths and weaknesses concerning written academic English. It shows you what you can do to improve your confidence in the short term, helps you to eradicate those silly mistakes, and gives you new options for expressing complex ideas in well-structured English sentences so that you can add some variation to your writing. There is an emphasis on improving the clarity and compactness of your writing. On top of that, you will be able to check and revise your own writing in a methodical fashion using a detailed editing checklist. For dates and practical information, see: ALP courses