



# Ebbe Tim Ottens

STUDENT

## Profile

23 year old interdisciplinary thinker and do-er with an interest in (the intersection of) law, technology and economics. I enjoy and do well in analysis of complex problems, attempting to understand what root causes drive certain issues. I believe that there are a lot of interesting approaches to analysis that can be found using cross- or interdisciplinary thinking. My aim is to develop a broader understanding of a great variety of topics, in combination with the ability to delve deep into specific fields.

## Employment History

### Bartender, De Muze, Antwerpen

SEPTEMBER 2022 — PRESENT

De Muze is one of the oldest and busiest cafe's in Antwerpen hosting live jazz every single night. Due to the busy and chaotic character of the cafe it's important to be able to remain calm and organised whilst the crowd is drunk and the band is playing.

### Editor , Beste-ID, Tilburg

APRIL 2022 — DECEMBER 2022

I was an editor for Beste-ID, a Dutch platform hosting intellectual insights from some of the top scientists of the Netherlands and Flanders. The editing work consisted of both writing critique as well as remarks on content.

## Education

### Exchange, Universiteit Antwerpen, Antwerpen

OCTOBER 2022 — JANUARY 2023

I did an exchange at the Universiteit Antwerpen. I took philosophy of religion, feminist philosophy, logic, metaphysics and an introduction into modern continental philosophy.

### Liberal Arts and Sciences, Tilburg University, Tilburg

SEPTEMBER 2019 — JULY 2023

Liberal Arts and Sciences comes from the Greek Artes Liberales, which refers to the idea that an education should provide an allround understanding of several different disciplines. In the case of University College Tilburg these disciplines are the Humanities, Neuroscience, the Social Sciences, Business and Economics, and Law. Besides my general knowledge in all five fields, I've committed to studying the field of law more in depth, with a focus on law in an international context. Furthermore, I've pursued half a year of philosophy during my exchange to the University of Antwerpen to further round out and complement my education. All in all my focus with this bachelor has been on breadth of knowledge in combination with occasional deep dives into specific

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Cambridge Advanced Certificate in English (C2)

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fields.

During my years at Tilburg I have also been involved with the study association of the Liberal Arts program, Extra Muros. I spent a full year as a board member creating and sustaining an environment in which our community could flourish academically, artistically as well as socially.

### **Propaedeutic , Fontys University of Applied Sciences, Tilburg**

SEPTEMBER 2018 — JUNE 2019

Received a propaedeutic degree in Journalism. During this year I was involved in setting up a variety of projects and events, most notably a large school-wide event to educate students on fact-checking and a work group which sat down with experienced journalists on a daily basis to gain insight into the editorial process of a variety of newspapers.

## **Extra-curricular activities**

### **Student Mentor at Extra Muros, Tilburg**

SEPTEMBER 2021 — JANUARY 2022

I was a mentor for a group of 11 first years. I tried my best to help them get used to living in Tilburg, studying at the College, and moving out of their homes to live on their own. We came together at least once a week to cook and eat together at my house; I tried helping them with their struggles and I tried creating a space where they felt they could be themselves.

After two months our group was the only one that still regularly met up.

### **Artist Collaborator at Kaapstad, Tilburg**

AUGUST 2021 — AUGUST 2021

For the yearly Tilburg Art Festival Kaapstad I participated in collaboration with Belgian art Collectives "Crew" and "KAK" on their performance "[the unheard](#)". I helped rewrite part of the act and performed with them during the weekend.

### **Campus Poet at Tilburg University, Tilburg**

JANUARY 2021 — JANUARY 2022

I was elected Campus Poet of Tilburg University in 2021. Throughout the year I performed as a poet all throughout the city and during various University events.

### **PR at Extra Muros, Tilburg**

JULY 2020 — JUNE 2021

I was the PR of the Liberal Arts and Sciences study association Extra Muros. As PR I managed outwards communication to our students, furthermore I made sure some of our committees were kept on track and I helped them get access to the right resources to be able to organise events.

As a board we tried to create an association that was open and felt accessible to everyone that studied with us, this included actively reaching out to and talking to new students, setting up a mentor system that linked first years with older students to help them get used to student life and the program.

## **Essays**

### **Thesis, work in progress, Tilburg**

FEBRUARY 2023 — JUNE 2023

I will be writing my thesis in the second semester of the 2022/2023 academic

year. I will still have to narrow down my topic with my supervisor but I'll most likely be writing around the the development of trade law alongside legal and economic history.

### **Resilience as Necessity: an Exploration of New Commons, Tilburg**

DECEMBER 2022 — DECEMBER 2022

Resilience as Necessity is an essay I wrote together with Sebastian Rostron as part of an essay competition at Tilburg University. We were part of the top 10 essays and as such our essay will be published.

Our essay adresses the consequences of the fact that almost all economic education in The Netherlands follows Neoliberal economic theory. It's a critical essay which also points out the shortcomings of Tilburg University, who created the essay competition.

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