

Title: Study finds six skills clusters that set humanities alumni apart

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Have you reflected on the ways your education in the Faculty of Arts prepared you to face the challenges of working life? The ASSET-H research team asked humanities students from three European universities to evaluate what working life skills they most accumulate during their studies. The result of this study is the ASSET-H humanities profile that consists of six skill sets.

The 6 skill sets of humanities graduates are:

- Knowledge & information skills
- Language skills
- Communication & leadership skills
- Project management skills
- Creativity skills
- Interculturality skills

Excellent skills in these skills areas set apart humanities graduates from graduates of other disciplines. See the <u>ASSET-H website for the full skills profile</u>. Which skills listed in the humanities profile do you most identify with? Read the profile and make it your own. The humanities profile can be used as a tool to reflect on your own professional profile. It can also help you find the right words to describe more precisely the skills you acquired during your studies in the Faculty of Arts.

About the ASSET-H project

The three-year Erasmus+ project ended in August 2023. Research showing that humanities graduates take longer than graduates of other faculties to enter the work force served as an initial call to action. The project aimed to enhance the transition of humanities students into working life. The project was led by KU Leuven and project partners were University of Leiden, University of Helsinki, and the employment agency Randstad Belgium.

Project outputs:

• ASSET-H skills profile for the employability of humanities graduates













- H-Highlight: workshop to articulate humanities skills in your course design for teaching staff
- H-You: your humanities skills explorer for students and alumni.

The final year of the project involved widespread dissemination of the project outputs and training sessions for students, faculty teaching staff, student career advisers and HR-professionals. The communications plan on the ASSET-H website offers downloadable communications resources. Help spread the word to humanities students and graduates all over Europe. You can do this by publishing our materials on your channels and social media platforms - be it your own private account or that of your institution.











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