

*Alumni Applied, Biostatistics and
Bioinformatics Diepenbeek (A²B²D)*



**EVERYTHING YOU
ALWAYS WANTED TO
KNOW ABOUT**

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**Hasselt University
Campus Diepenbeek**

1. A²BD : For your own convenience

- **What is A²BD ?**

The nationality of the students in the Biostatistics program was (and still is) very diverse. They came from all over the world. To facilitate living in a completely different environment, what Belgium for sure is for them, and to stay in contact with former students, the Alumni Biostatistics Diepenbeek (ABD) was founded on June 28th 1991. Kristel Luijters became the first president ('91-'93), followed by respectively Jacqueline Smits ('93-'95), Els Gaens ('95-'97), Helena Geys ('97-'99), Ivy Jansen ('99-'02), Saskia Litière ('02-'04), Herbert Thijs ('04-'06).

With a group of energetic board members we undertook the arduous task to organise activities interesting to former students as well as to current students and their instructors. All are kept up-to-date with regular issues of a newsletter, containing announcements for activities, information about statistical meetings, lectures by former students about their experiences in their jobs, and also more personal details.

In September 1999, a new course started: the Applied Statistics program. ABD wanted to also invite these students to the activities. Therefore, it got a new name: Alumni Applied and Biostatistics Diepenbeek (A²BD). And with our new president, Niel Hens ('06-....), A²BD will continue to organise a lot of activities.

The main goal of A²BD throughout all activities will always be to create a pleasant atmosphere in which it is possible for everyone to relax, to meet friends and to exchange personal experiences. Former activities organised by A²BD include a visit to the Halloween Event in Bokrijk, Christmas parties, yearly barbecues and other social activities as sports or a movie. If there is anything we can do for you, just ask. We are here to facilitate your stay in Belgium.

- **Who are we?**

Niel Hens	President
Philippe Haldermans	Vice-president
Liesbeth Bruckers	Treasurer
An Creemers	Secretary
Tina Sotto	Scriptor
Dirk Valkenborg	Entertainment
John Maringwa	Sports Coordinator
Herbert Thijs	Jack of All Trades

All information can be found on our homepage:

<http://www.censtat.uhasselt.be/student/alumni/default.asp>

2. Hasselt University, Campus Diepenbeek (UHasselt)

- **Opening Times**

The campus is open from 08.00 am to 10.00 pm on weekdays and from 08.00 am to 07.00 pm on Saturdays. 15 minutes before closing time there will be a warning alarm. Everybody is asked to leave the building right after this call. The doors will be hermetically closed at 10.00 pm (or 07.00 pm during holidays) and will not be opened before 07.00 am the next day (when the maintenance crew starts to work). People moving around in the building after closing time activate the safety alarm.

- **Office of Student Affairs**

At the office for student affairs in the main building next to the reception desk, one can find information of any kind as well as many services and answers to all kind of questions concerning student affairs.

Proton registration: In order to get lunch at a reduced price, it is necessary to register your proton-card. This needs to be done only once at the office of student affairs.

Opening times:

08.30 am – 16.30 pm (Mon. to Fri.)

Tel: (011) 26 81 00, Fax: (011) 26 81 99,

E-mail: studentensecretariaat@uhasselt.be

- **Lecture Halls and STATLAB**

Courses will be organized mainly in auditoria at any other time you are free to use the computers and manuals in the STATLABS (C107, C108b and C113) to prepare projects or homeworks. Note, you have to log in to the computers in the STATLAB via your student account.

All the manuals and books must stay inside STATLAB.

- **Ad Valvas**

Next to STATLAB there is a notice board 'Ad Valvas' displaying time tables, invitations of all sorts and other messages. Please make sure you check them once a day. It is also allowed to put all kind of messages that might be important for your colleague students on the 'Ad Valvas'.

- **Copy Service**

Copy cards can be bought at the ticket machine in the Agora. They can be used on all copy machines in the building (including those in the library). You can also copy, using a PROTON-card (see further on).

- **Library**

As a student you are registered and therefore allowed to use the library. It is free to enter at any time of the day during opening hours that are linked to the academic calendar. An academic year is split up into three twelve-week terms. Each term consists of ten weeks of courses, one study week and one exam week.

Opening times:

During academic year

08.45 am – 10.00 pm (Mon. to Thu.)

08.45 am – 05.30 pm (Fri.)

Except:

First five weeks of first and third term:

08.45 am – 05.30 pm

Saturdays

09.00 am – 05.00 pm

Holidays

10.00 am – 12.00 am and 02.00 pm – 04.00 pm

These opening hours are also listed at the entrance door of the library.

Books and periodicals are classified according to the UDC-number (i.e. according to subject). The catalogue is available on-line and indicates the content of our library, as well as those of the three universities and the city library of Antwerp. If necessary, books and periodicals can also be obtained from other libraries throughout Belgium, by interlibrary loan. Books may be borrowed for up to 3 weeks and therefore your student card is needed. Books marked with a red dot must not be taken out of the library. There are also two copy machines available.

More information can be found on the homepage:

<http://www.uhasselt.be/english/bibliotheek/default.asp>

- **Bookshop**

Syllabuses and textbooks are available at the bookshop or at the secretariat. The lecturer will inform you where the course texts will be available. At the bookshop you can also buy newspapers, periodicals, greeting cards, stamps and stationary.

Opening times:

10.00 am – 03.00 pm (Mon. to Thu.)

10.00 am – 03.00 pm and 5.30 pm – 09.00 pm (Fri.)

08.30 am – 03.00 pm (Sat.)

- **Restaurant and Cafeteria**

Sandwiches, drinks, cigarettes, sweets, full lunch and dinners can be obtained at the restaurant and the cafeteria. To pay for your food you will need a PROTON-card or cash. Paying with PROTON entitles you to pay at reduced fees.

- Restaurant : Two service lines are open, for which the supply is as follows:

1 complete meal (main course plus either salad mix or soup and dessert, menu listed outside restaurant)

2 snacks and pasta (see also on menu)

Opening times:

11.30 am – 02.00 pm

- Cafeteria : When the restaurant is closed you can get snacks and pasta in the cafeteria

Opening times:

08.00 am – 07.30 pm (Mon. – Thu.)

08.00 am – 08.30 pm (Fri.)

10.00 am – 04.30 pm (Sat.)

- **PROTON-card**

A PROTON-card is a cheque card for small amounts. This PROTON-card requires a bank account in Belgium. You can have your PROTON-card registered at the Office for Student Affairs. If you have any questions about this PROTON-card, please contact Martine Machiels.

- **UHASSELT General Practitioner**

The office of the medical doctor at the university is moved to Building C, room 0.24. If you want to meet with the doctor you have to make an appointment before 1pm and you will then have an appointment between 1.30 and 2.30.

- **Public services**

- **Townhall**

Hasselt Town hall Groenplein 1 Hasselt 011/23 90 11

Opening times:

08.00 am – 12.00 am and 12.30 pm – 04.00 pm

Diepenbeek Town hall Dorpsstraat 4 Diepenbeek 011/32 35 31

Opening times :

09.00 am – 12.00 am (Mon. & Fri.)

09.00 am – 12.00 am and 01.30 pm – 07.00 pm (Tue.)

09.00 am – 12.00 am and 01.30 pm – 05.00 pm (Wed. & Thu.)

- **Police**

There is a police office (D21 - Tel.: 011/26 81 15) located near the Office for Student Affairs. Opening hours are given at the entry.

The police office in Diepenbeek is located next to the town hall.

State Police Kogelstraat 47 Diepenbeek 011/32 30 21
Police Dorpsstraat 14 Diepenbeek 011/26 26 66

Both phone numbers are available 24h/24h. In case of emergency you can dial the number 101.

- **Fire department**

Hasselt: 011/22 20 22 or 011/22 49 26

Emergencies: 100 (ambulance) or 101 (police)

- **Medical assistance at night and in the weekend**

Physicians & Pharmacists: 090010500

- **Telephone**

There are two types of public telephones: coin operated phones and card phones.

The coin-operated phones use coins in denominations of 0,15 euro and 0.50 euro. The money is inserted before dialling. Any unused coins will be returned at the end of the call. For card phones you need a so-called "Telecard". Telecards are available at the ticket machine. You can also use the PROTON card.

Calling rate depends on the type of call and the time one is calling

- Cheap rate calls: It is cheaper to phone between 06.30 pm and 08.00 am on working days or at any time Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays. For the same rate you get twice as much time as for a normal daytime call. This only applies on national calls.
- National calls: Always dial the area code (area Hasselt: 011; area Diepenbeek: 011; area Genk: 089) and the subscriber's number.
- International calls: For an international call, you dial the number in the following way: 00 (country code), (area code but omit 0 or 9) and (subscriber's number). Some relevant country codes are Canada and USA (1), Belgium (32), France (33), and United Kingdom (44). You will find these numbers and other country codes in the telephone directory on one of the first pages. The area codes of the most important international cities are also given on the same page and are indicated without a "0" or "9". If you are in doubt about an international phone number, you can call the telephone agency (1204) for information.
- Collect calls: For a phone call from Belgium to another European country via an operator, in the case that the person called will pay for the call, you have to dial: 0800-100-country code.

- **Post Office**

The normal rate for a letter is 0.44 euro (non-prior) and 0.50 euro (prior) in Belgium. For the rates of international mail, you can consult the website of the Belgian post:

<http://www.post.be/site/en/index.html>

or you can ask more information at a post office, located in Diepenbeek at the following address.

Post Office Kerklaan 15 Diepenbeek

3. Private services

- Banks

Fortis	Marktplein 18	Diepenbeek
Fortis	Marktplein 20	Diepenbeek

To open a current account, you will need your passport. A current account provides you with a cash card for 24-hour automatic cash dispensers (teller machines) and, if needed, a cheque book and cheque guarantee card. You can transfer money from your home bank by supplying them with the name and address of your Belgian bank together with the account number (including the international number). To get your PROTON-card, it is necessary to open a current EURO-account. Please ensure that you are not charged for the use of the PROTON-card.

- Automatic teller machines

You can find automatic teller machines everywhere

University campus	University campus	Diepenbeek
Diepenbeek center	Lutselusplein 11	Diepenbeek
Diepenbeek center	Marktplein 18	Diepenbeek
Hasselt center	Grote markt	Hasselt
Hasselt center	Bampslaan 23-29	Hasselt
Hasselt center	R. Portmansstraat 1	Hasselt

- Health

Here in Belgium we have a system that at any time of the day and night and even during the weekend there are people (doctors, etc...) available to help you. Where you need to go on which time can be found on the following homepage:

<http://www.diepenbeek.be/gids/index.html>

A partial reimbursement of medical expenses can be availed if you are registered with any social security organization.

- Public transportation

It is possible to travel from Diepenbeek to the campus or even to Hasselt. All you need to do, is look for a bus with number 45 on it. The exact time schedule can be found in the academic calendar that you receive at the beginning of the year. (Otherwise ask for it at the student secretariat.)

Some interesting facts: when you travel from the campus to Hasselt you won't have to pay, just show your student card of UHasselt. Within Hasselt, all busses with a number that starts with an H are for free. In Genk there is a system with busses with a G, where you will have to pay 0.50 euro for a ride. For more information you can call the bus company "De Lijn" at 011/850303 or go to their shop "Lijnwinkel" at the railway station of Hasselt.

If you wish to travel by train, you can find all information about schedules, prices... at the homepage:

<http://www.b-rail.be/>

This information is available in 4 languages (Dutch, French, English and German).

Diepenbeek Station	Spoorstraat	Diepenbeek	
Hasselt Station	Stationsplein 2	Hasselt	011/22 11 01

4. Some useful addresses

• General practitioners

Dr. F. Gelders	Dooistraat 33	Diepenbeek	011/33 22 25
Dr. A. Van Kerckhoven	Nieuwstraat 161	Diepenbeek	011/32 33 45
Dr. Pinxten	Stationsstraat 88	Diepenbeek	011/33 32 32
Dr. Van den Broeck	St.-Servatiusstr.73	Diepenbeek	011/32 16 70
Dr. D. Coenen	Heidestraat 89	Diepenbeek	011/33 22 86
Dr. P. De Winter	Nanofstraat 50	Diepenbeek	011/32 30 01
Dr. M. Fabry	Houbrechtsstraat 5	Diepenbeek	011/32 38 50
Dr. M. Gubbelmans	Dautenstraat 100	Diepenbeek	011/32 26 41
Dr. J. Kruijen	Varkensmarkt 9	Diepenbeek	011/32 39 23
Dr. G. Lambrichts	Wijkstraat 11	Diepenbeek	011/35 20 99
Dr. G. Michiels	Nanofstraat 50	Diepenbeek	011/32 30 01
Dr. V. Nys	Dorpstraat 8	Diepenbeek	011/32 14 70
Dr. E. Pinxten	Stationsstraat 88	Diepenbeek	011/33 32 32
Dr. E. Souren	Kapelstraat 77	Diepenbeek	011/32 34 65
Dr. A. Swennen	Stationsstraat 24	Diepenbeek	011/32 30 11

• Physiotherapists

L. Bollen	Nierstraat 26	Diepenbeek	011/35 14 55
B. Vanhees	Jeugdstraat 5 a	Diepenbeek	011/33 12 30
H. Sas	Dooistraat 81	Diepenbeek	011/32 13 99
A. M. Claes	Kapelstraat 64	Diepenbeek	011/33 28 23
J. Mangelschots	Kapelstraat 64	Diepenbeek	011/33 28 23
A. Debrabandere	Spoorstraat 21	Diepenbeek	011/32 32 69
J. Frederix	Kogelstraat 48	Diepenbeek	011/32 43 32
G. Gubbelmans	Keizerstraat 26	Diepenbeek	011/33 28 36
M. Kriekels	Dorpsstraat 28	Diepenbeek	011/32 17 54
H. Pagnaer	Meidoornlaan 1	Diepenbeek	011/33 16 90
F. Vanderstraeten	Varkensmarkt 32	Diepenbeek	011/32 30 15
G. Vermote	Dooistraat 81	Diepenbeek	011/32 13 99

• Pharmacists

Lanno (Bollen)	Heidestraat 89	Diepenbeek	011/33 19 11
Souren	Marktplein 17	Diepenbeek	011/33 26 42
Thywissen	Marktplein 24	Diepenbeek	011/32 31 99
Vanderlinden	Nieuwstraat 173	Diepenbeek	011/33 32 65
De Voorzorg	Stationsstraat 6	Diepenbeek	011/32 30 23
Colla	Schoolstraat 8	Diepenbeek	011/32 20 51

• Dentists

E. Geysen	Dorpsstraat 8	Diepenbeek	011/32 14 70
M. Willems	Kapelstraat 55	Diepenbeek	011/35 10 75
L. Dieryck	Kapelstraat 31	Diepenbeek	011/32 33 05
N. Smets	Keizerstraat 12	Diepenbeek	011/33 37 77
R. Martens	Kempenstraat 102	Diepenbeek	011/32 17 43
E. Nijs	Marktplein 22	Diepenbeek	011/32 33 16
P. Smets	Wijkstraat 9	Diepenbeek	011/32 37 96

• Hairdressers

Coiffure Lenaerts	Dooistraat 104	Diepenbeek	011/32 33 34
Coiffure Yves	Dorpsstraat 19	Diepenbeek	011/33 29 00
Coiffure Lutgart	Dorpsstraat 27	Diepenbeek	011/32 32 94
Joseph Claesen	Dorpsstraat 31	Diepenbeek	011/32 36 66
Firmin Achten	Ganzebroekstraat 18	Diepenbeek	011/32 39 84
Coiffure Marie-Claire	Heidestraat 71	Diepenbeek	011/33 27 63
Coiffure Paul	Heidestraat 149b2	Diepenbeek	011/32 38 21
Coiffure Vera	Jeugdstraat 3	Diepenbeek	011/32 17 57
Martine Lenaers	Kapelstraat 2b2	Diepenbeek	011/33 36 31
Kapper Firmin	Kapelstraat 6	Diepenbeek	011/32 41 81
Coiffure Heleven	Kerklaan 2	Diepenbeek	011/32 18 88
Kapsalon Caroline	Oudstrijderslaan 12	Diepenbeek	011/33 13 08
Hairfashion Bianca	Overwinninglaan 3	Diepenbeek	011/32 19 37
Coiffure Brigitte	St-Janslaan 19	Diepenbeek	011/32 36 84
Coiffure Viviane	Varkensmarkt 3	Diepenbeek	011/33 35 90
Xtreme Hair	Varkensmarkt 26	Diepenbeek	011/32 31 72
Ann Verjans	Varkensmarkt 55ba	Diepenbeek	011/32 14 85
Augusta Bollen	Waardestraat 10	Diepenbeek	011/32 31 21

• Bakery

Bakkerij Steegmans	Kapelstraat 45	Diepenbeek	011/32 31 69
Koelen	Varkensmarkt 70	Diepenbeek	011/32 30 35
Nico Eymael	Marktplein 3	Diepenbeek	011/32 32 01

- **Butcher**

Slagerij Quentin	Varkensmarkt 64	Diepenbeek	011/32 24 94
Slager S. Vandooren	Kapelstraat 47	Diepenbeek	011/32 31 54
L. Colla	Heidestraat 74	Diepenbeek	011/32 31 14
Linda Tielens	Kloosterstraat 3	Diepenbeek	011/32 18 71
Romain Vanaken	Dorpsstraat 43	Diepenbeek	011/32 32 23

- **Laundry**

Wassalon Miele	Kogelstraat 60	Diepenbeek
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- **Food**

Kebab Kaya	Dorpsstraat 45/1b	Diepenbeek	
Kebab Unal Hidir	Dorpsstraat 4	Diepenbeek	011/35 15 87
Frituur / Restaurant	Marktplein 7a	Diepenbeek	011/32 43 18
Chinees (De Pauw)	Marktplein 21	Diepenbeek	011/32 16 39
Frituur 't Patatje	Kloosterstraat 5a	Diepenbeek	011/32 20 22
Karolien	Marktplein 27b7	Diepenbeek	011/33 34 99
Frituur Rozendaal	Nieuwstraat 233	Diepenbeek	011/32 22 08
Frituur Jasmin	Nieuwstraat 90	Diepenbeek	011/32 29 46

- **Bikes**

Fietsen Bielen	Grendelbaan 11	Diepenbeek	011/32 45 16
Fietsen Wolters	Kempenstraat 39	Diepenbeek	011/32 32 45
Liebens	Kempenstraat 167	Diepenbeek	011/32 40 47
Geert Pipeleers	Mizerikstraat 32	Diepenbeek	011/32 45 13
J.S.B.	Salviastraat 73	Diepenbeek	011/32 18 47
Fietsen Bollen	Vijverstraat 2	Diepenbeek	011/32 10 15

- **Department store**

Supermarkt	Kloosterstraat 14	Diepenbeek	011/32 31 53
Profi	Poststraat 4	Diepenbeek	
Aldi (cheapest)	Steenweg 16a	Diepenbeek	
Fruit and vegetables	Varkensmarkt 22	Diepenbeek	
24-Hour shop	Wijkstraat 27a	Diepenbeek	
GB (+Blokker)	Wijkstraat 37	Diepenbeek	

- **Magazines, cigarettes and Booze**

Infomix	Kempenstraat 160	Diepenbeek	011/32 30 87
Hitkrant	Kerklaan 10	Diepenbeek	011/32 37 07
De Vroege Vogel	Nieuwstraat 190	Diepenbeek	011/32 42 71
Drukkerij Pierre	Nieuwstraat 135a	Diepenbeek	011/32 41 40
Stulens			
Krantenwinkel	Varkensmarkt 26	Diepenbeek	

5. Some useful translations

Dutch	English
Maandag (Ma)	Monday (Mon.)
Dinsdag (Di)	Tuesday (Tue.)
Woensdag (Wo)	Wednesday (We.)
Donderdag (Do)	Thursday (Thu.)
Vrijdag (Vr)	Friday (Fri.)
Zaterdag (Za)	Saturday (Sat.)
Zondag (Zo)	Sunday (Sun.)
Open	Open
Gesloten	Closed
Voormiddag (vm)	Before noon / morning (am)
Namiddag (nm)	Afternoon (pm)
Jaarlijks verlof	Holiday
Dank u / Bedankt	Thanks a lot
Alstublieft	Here you are / please
Goedendag	Hello
Tot ziens	See you
Hoeveel kost dit?	How much does this cost?
Geneesheren	General practitioners
Apothekers	Pharmacists
Tandartsen	Dentists
Kinesisten	Physiotherapists
Bier	Beer