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Dutch Studies is celebrating 50 years since the introduction of the Queen Beatrix Chair of Dutch Language, Literature & Culture in 1971. Support the continuing success of our Program with a $50 donation to mark this anniversary. A Big Thank You: Hartelijk bedankt!
Dear friends of Dutch Studies,

In 2021, we are celebrating our fiftieth anniversary! It was, in fact, fifty years ago that the Queen Beatrix Chair in Dutch Language, Literature & Culture was created and that UC Berkeley, as one of the few American universities, began to offer a complete degree program in Dutch Studies. Our combination of a Major for undergraduates and a Designated Emphasis for graduate students truly makes Berkeley unique.

Over the years, we have welcomed hundreds of students to our course in Dutch language, literature, as well as the cultural history of the Low Countries and other parts of the world with a Dutch connection. We proudly reflect on our guest lectures by Adriaan van Dis, Cynthia McLeod, Kader Abdolah, Harry Mulisch, Cees Nooteboom, Gerrit Kouwenaar, Marga Minco, Tine Ruysschaert, Leon de Winter, Lieve Joris, Arthur Japin and many other representatives of Dutch language culture. This anniversary is also an opportunity to honor Em. Prof. Johan Snapper, who not only founded this program but also built strong foundations that allowed his successors to further expand it. Moreover, the many P.P. Rubens Visiting Professors from the Flanders region contributed to the success of our Dutch Studies Program.

For our anniversary, we would like to invite you all look at our new website at https://dutch.berkeley.edu/ and introduce you to our 50 for 50 Campaign, an appeal to all the friends of Dutch Studies to celebrate our fiftieth anniversary with a donation of 50 dollars or euros. This can be done online via the secure UC Berkeley portal at https://give.berkeley.edu/fund/FU0940000.

Your donation helps us to secure the future of Dutch Studies at Berkeley so that students will continue to be able to benefit from our program in the coming decades.

With a big THANK-YOU for your support,

Jeroen Dewulf, Esmée van der Hoeven and Tom Shannon