Maartje Gierveld, LL.M.

Creative, enthusiastic and curious legal professional and public administration scholar with a specialisation in the roles of public support, inclusion and ethics in public policy and legislation. Passionate about environmental and animal protection, cultural heritage and spatial development.

Education

09/2022 - present

Radboud University, Nijmegen

Expected degree: M.Sc. in Public Administration

Pre-Master programme: 2022-2024

- Specialisation: Management of societal challenges (60 ECTS), personal focus on ethics and inclusion in policy processes
- Examples of written papers: "Perspectives of urban professionals on residents of marginalised neighbourhoods" (grade 9.5 / 10), "Citizen participation in spatial legislation" (grade 8.8 / 10)
- Current grade average: 8.5 / 10

02/2021 - 10/2024

Radboud University, Nijmegen

Degree: Dutch Law, LL.M.

- Specialisation: Government liability and real estate
- Ancillary activity: Member faculty committee "Diversity, equality and inclusion"
- Thesis: "The judicial assessment of representation in public interest litigation cases" (grade 7.5 / 10)
- Overall grade: 7.5 / 10

09/2018 - 09/2021

Radboud University, Nijmegen

Degree: Dutch law, LL.B.

- Law and Management is a double degree program in Dutch Law (LL.B., 180 ECTS) and additional courses in Business Administration (72 ECTS)
- Ancillary activities: Member editorial committee study association, member faculty committee "IT in academia"
- Overall grade: 7 / 10

09/2017 - 06/2018

ArtEZ University of the Arts, Arnhem

 Passionate about art and design, but chose to follow my curiosity in law, bringing creativity and a unique perspective to my studies and professional work.

09/2010 - 05/2017

Montessori College Twente, Hengelo

Degree: Pre-university education

- Courses: Dutch, English, German, history, economics, art and its history, nature, life and technology
- Ancillary activities: Tutor in English and mathematics, member debate club and member student council

Practical experience

09/2025 - present

Daadkracht, Nijmegen

Redactor (part time)

 Preparing government documents for publication by redacting confidential information in accordance with the national Open Government Act and the European General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 10/2023 - present

Staatsbosbeheer, the Netherlands

Member youth council (part time, voluntary)

- Advising the largest forest and nature conservation organisation in the Netherlands
- Personal goal and focus on inclusivity, as everyone should feel welcome to enjoy, protect and participate within our natural spaces

12/2022 - 10/2023

Valkhof Museum, Nijmegen

Chairperson, public in residence (part time)

- Creating the art exhibition 'Into the Black Hole' in collaboration between Radboud University and Valkhof museum
- Leading a group of 20 students, facilitating decision-making and representing students' perspectives in the project and curating team

02/2021 - 02/2022

Vangoud Advocaten B.V., Arnhem

Legal employee, intern (part time)

 Conducting research into legal issues and preparing and drafting legal documents (e.g., summonses, statements of defence, and general memos).
Mainly treatment of cases relating to government liability and real estate

08/2020 - 07/2021

Radboud University, Nijmegen

Student tutor (part time)

 Teaching and coaching first-year law students on the fundamentals of legal studies and academic skills

01/2020 - 01/2021

Voedselbank (food bank), Nijmegen-Overbetuwe

Shift leader (part time, voluntary)

 Main responsibilities included coordinating shifts and leading 20-30 volunteers in packing food parcels for more than 600 households in the Nijmegen region

12/2016 - 06/2023

Holland Casino, Nijmegen / Enschede

Receptionist, hostess and waitress (part time)

 Courses: Anti-money and anti-terrorist financing act, privacy legislation, hospitality and aggression prevention

Languages and IT skills

Dutch: Native language, English: Proficient, German: Basic knowledge, Brazilian Portugese: currenty learning

MS Office: Excellent skills, SPSS: Intermediate skills, Canva: Intermediate skills, Vensim: Basic skills

Personal Interests

Creativity

Passionate about art, design, and crafting. I love exploring museums, galleries, and design festivals, and I'm equally enthusiastic about creating my own work – whether sewing clothes and bags, drawing cards, or giving new life to old materials.

Nature

Nature and animals are close to my heart. I enjoy exploring new landscapes and birdwatching, and I'm very interested in nature conservation and animal protection. I attended a workshop at Springtij led by Margaretha Wewerinke-Singh, head of the legal team representing Vanuatu at the International Court of Justice in the case on states' obligations regarding climate change.

Sports

Regular exercise in various forms matters a lot to me. Currently, I'm most active in yoga and pilates, while I also frequently put my race bike to use and go the gym for cardio and strength training.