Life at Leeds





Teaching begins next week

Whether you're a new or returning student, this week marks the first fortnight on campus for this academic year. We hope you're enjoying getting settled in and ready for the start of teaching next week. In the meantime, here's everything you need over the next fortnight or so.

Don't forget to join our <u>Facebook group for current students</u>, follow <u>@UoLStudents on Twitter</u> or visit <u>students.leeds.ac.uk</u> for everything you'll need while you're at Leeds.

Remember to complete student registration

All students (new and returning) will need to complete student registration. Details on how to complete student registration and book an ID check appointment are here.

Discovery Themes Fair and other upcoming events on campus

Don't forget to visit the <u>Discovery Themes Fair</u>, today from 11am-4pm in the Parkinson Building, to find out about additional modules you can study that will help you broaden your horizons.

Remember to regularly check the <u>calendar on the students' website</u> for upcoming events on campus. LUU also have a number of <u>events that you can join</u> (they're a great way to meet new people), including:

- Meditation, Thursday 27 September, 12pm-1.30pm, LUU room 6
- Daoist Tai Chi, Friday 28 September, 2.30pm-4pm, LUU room 6
- Roof Garden Volunteering Session, Monday 1 October, 12pm-2pm, LUU rooftop garden
- Wellbeing Exercise Class, Tuesday 2 October, 12pm-1pm, LUU jade studio
- Pet Therapy, Thursday 4 October, 12.30pm-1.30pm, LUU foyer

Attendance and absences – what to do if you can't attend a lecture

You'll need to attend all your classes and activities to get the most out of your studies. Sometimes an illness or other unforeseen circumstances may mean that you can't attend. Remember, the

University is here to support you and you can find out what you'll need to do if you can't attend by visiting the attendance and absences section on the Student website.

Settling into Uni life

Some of you may be returning to University after a year in industry or abroad, others may be settling in for your first year. Whatever your situation, after the excitement of fresher's week and the start of term, you'll begin to find a routine. It's usually at this time that some students start to feel homesick, and this blog on the Save the Student website has some great tips on what you can do if you're missing home.

Remember, you're not the only one feeling like this and we've got some additional <u>tips on our website to help you to get settled</u>.

Café culture on campus

Need a hot drink but not sure of the ideal location to get one? Don't worry, we're always on duty and here to help. <u>Here's a roundup of some great places on campus</u> to grab a drink to go, or settle down with your laptop and refuel. A perfect bucket list for this season.

There's also a fab range of reusable Keep Cups that you can buy from our cafes – you'll get a free hot drink when you purchase the cup and an additional discount every time you use it on campus.

Weekend and evening parking

Don't forget that you'll need to register your car if you're wanting to park on campus for free outside the University's core hours (7am – 5pm, Monday – Friday).

To register your car, email <u>CarParking@Leeds.ac.uk</u> from your University email account with your name and car's registration number.

Vehicles that are not registered on the system will be issued with a parking charge of £80 (reduced to £40 if paid within 14 days). You can find out more by about our parking terms & conditions on the <u>university's Car Parking website</u>.

In case you missed it

- <u>The IT website</u> has a great list of what you need to do to get yourself and your devices set up.
- If you are unable to attend exams on Sabbaths, holy days or religious festivals, please complete the <u>Notification of religious commitments form</u> before 26 October 2018 for semester 1 exams. The Exams Team will take your preferences into account when preparing the Exam timetable.
- Talk to your doctor if you're not sure about whether you've been vaccinated against meningitis and MMR (measles, mumps and rubella). If you're new to Leeds, don't forget to register with a local GP's surgery or with the Leeds Student Medical Practice.

- Leeds Nightline are currently looking for volunteers to help run the service. Find out more about Nightline and how to apply by visiting the <u>Leeds Nightline website</u>.
- It's no secret that the <u>Uni Instagram account</u> is a hot favourite with students. Last month, we shared the <u>top 20 most photogenic places on campus</u> have a go at recreating these and tagging the University in your shots.