Life at Leeds





We're here to help you make the most of your time at Leeds. Send thoughts and feedback to the <u>student communications team</u>. You can also 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 at Leeds.

This is our final Life at Leeds newsletter for this academic year. Thanks for reading and for your suggestions for how we can make this even more useful, supporting and engaging.

Graduations

Congratulations! With exams over, dissertations and final pieces of work either handed in or nearing completion, many final year students will be thinking ahead towards graduating from the University of Leeds.

Have a look through the key dates below to check what you need to do, and when.

- Register your graduation choice deadline is Thursday 20 June
- Apply for extra tickets –Tuesday 25 June (12pm) Thursday 27 June (12pm)
- <u>Pre-order your essential graduation gown</u> deadline is Thursday 4 July
- Graduation ceremonies Monday 15 July Friday 26 July

You can find lots more information about graduation on the For Students website, including visa information, photography and parking.

Don't forget to follow us on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> – we'll be posting congratulations, photographs, reminders and great things you and your family can do on the big day.

After you've graduated

Did you know when you graduate you join more than 250,000 alumni around the world. This isn't the end! Stay connected with the University and follow @LeedsAlumni to find out more about life

after Leeds. You can also continue to access the services of our <u>Careers Centre</u>, whether it's prepping for interviews, attending events or getting advice.

After your exams have finished

How did your exams go? We hope they went smoothly and you were able to prepare and do as well as possible. If you think that you experienced <u>exceptional circumstances before or during your exams</u>, find out who to contact if you feel your academic work has been affected.

Your exam results will be released on Monday 8 July. These are announced in Minerva, usually by mid-morning. Find out what to do if you need to resit exams, or have any external or carried module resits.

Did you know you may be able to estimate your final degree classification? Find out more about our classification calculator.

If you left anything in your exam room, we may be able to help. Find out what happens to lost property left in exam rooms.

Moving out

We're incredibly proud of how our students think about the environment and get involved with green issues. Over the last ten years you've prevented over 100 tonnes of waste from going to landfill, and helped countless people across the city as you've moved out. We're doing more this year.

You can donate clothes, shoes, non-perishable food, kitchen items, working electrical items, bikes and fire rated furniture at our <u>collection points</u>.

Everything you give us will be recycled or donated to local charities. This year we are partnered up with the British Heart Foundation to ensure your money and items go to a good cause.

Celebrating end of term

If you're celebrating please think of your neighbours and keep the noise to a respectful level. Disciplinary action may be taken against you for severe or repeated antisocial behaviour.

Accessing university systems off campus

We're now using a new version of Desktop Anywhere, so to carry on using it you'll need to update to the new version. Find out how on the <u>IT website</u>.

Considering a Masters degree?

If you're reaching the end of undergraduate study, a Masters might be for you!

An additional qualification could enhance your career prospects. You'll also deepen your knowledge with far more specialism in your chosen field and new skills. Take a look at how you can fund your studies with the <u>governments Masters loan</u> and our <u>10% Alumni bursary</u>. Find out more about how you can go further and about studying for a <u>Masters</u> at Leeds.

Crowdfunding is coming soon!

Want to make the most of your time at Leeds and need extra funding to bring your ideas to life? In October 2019 we'll be launching our very own crowdfunding platform. If you have an idea for a project or want to find out more visit crowdfunding.leeds.ac.uk

Staying safe online this summer

A number of students have had their accounts compromised after a phishing attack last week. The University has a range of systems and processes in place to help keep you safe online, but information security is everyone's responsibility – here's some tips and guidance to help you keep your data and devices, and the University, secure.

Last chance to fill in the student communications survey

Tell us what you think of the ways we communicate with you. Fill in our survey before 14 June and be in with the chance to win one of five £20 shopping vouchers. It should take no more than 10 minutes.

Have your say about learning analytics

Find out about the ways we support your learning through data. A consultation on learning analytics is running until 14 June and we'd like to hear your feedback. Read more about the consultation.

What do you think of smoking?

Win £100 (or one of 4 x runner up prizes of £50) by <u>telling us your thoughts on smoking</u> and e-cigarette use on University campuses, as part of a collaborative research project across four UK universities.

Minerva survey results

We ran a survey earlier this year to find what you think of Minerva and how it could be improved. Thank you to everyone who completed it!

More than 3,500 of you filled it in and 88% thought Minerva provided you with access to services and information either well, or very well. There were mixed comments about Minerva's Discover tab - many students didn't use it, but those that did were mostly positive. So we are looking at what to do with Discover for next year, and considering a huge range of other comments and suggestions. The two randomly-selected winners of £200 vouchers were Beth Whitton, second year undergraduate in Dentistry, and Stephen Kirk, who is studying for a Masters in Biopharmaceutical Development.

Staying in Leeds?

If you're <u>staying in Leeds</u> this summer there's a lot going on that you can get involved with. Have a wonderful summer!

Do you have any feedback for us on your experience at the University, or student life at Leeds? Tell us what's on your mind.