



We're here to help you make the most of your time at Leeds. Send thoughts and feedback to the [student communications team](#). You can also join our [Facebook group for current students](#), follow [@UoLStudents on Twitter](#) or visit students.leeds.ac.uk for everything you'll need while at Leeds.

Staying in Leeds over the winter break

Christmas in Leeds is an annual programme for all students, providing opportunities to meet others, experience Christmas traditions and find out about help and support.

Whether it's your first Christmas in Leeds or you've been living here for a while, you can take part in a range of events over the holidays, including when the University is closed. From film and games nights, volunteering opportunities and trips to see sports matches, there is something for everyone.

For more information, visit the [Global Community out of term time webpage](#).

Alcohol and you

LUU and NUS (National Union of Students) are conducting a short and [confidential survey](#) to find out your views and experiences of drinking alcohol. You don't have to drink alcohol to take part. To thank you for taking part in this survey you are in with a chance of winning a top cash prize of £100 or one of ten £25 runner up prizes!

The survey should take around 10 – 15 minutes to complete. The deadline for taking part is 25 of November so make sure you have your say.

Semester 1 exam timetable reminder

For those of you that take exams, the semester 1 exam timetable will have three versions released over the next 2 months.

- Your draft timetable is currently available through Minerva. This version may be changed at a later stage but will give you an idea of when your exams will take place.
- The second version of your exam timetable will be available from 12pm on 30 November. This version will be the final version of your timetable but will exclude venue information.
- The third and final release of the timetable will be available through Minerva from 12pm on 14 December. This version will include venue information and seat numbers.

Remember, there's lots of [help and study support available](#) throughout the year to help you with your exam preps and learning.

I like to _____ in the library

Please fill in the blanks for the library by completing their survey. They're keen to find out whether they meet your expectations and identify areas where they can improve. The survey is open until 7 December. You can enter to win one of 2x£100 vouchers or 100x£5 printer credits.

[Take the Library survey](#)

What are your digital skills like?

Digital Literacy is the ability to use and critically evaluate technologies and information in a wide range of contexts.

What do you see as being important for life at university and beyond? How can the university support you further in developing your digital skills and identity?

Give your thoughts and opinions on [this short survey](#) and be a part of making change happen.

Upcoming events on campus

Events happen every day on campus, including the weekend. If you're looking for something to do, or a place to meet new people, you may want to go to:

- [Alcohol and drugs info drop in](#). Thursday 22 and 29 November, LUU Foyer
- [Better Leeds](#) – improving the city. Thursday 22 November, 5.30-7pm, LUU Function
- [Presenting with confidence](#). Every Thursday, Language Zone, 2nd floor, Parkinson building.
- [Conversation Club](#). Every Tuesday. 4.10-5.10pm. Language Zone, 2nd floor, Parkinson Building.

Many Halls of Residences have their Christmas Ball during the first week of December at the Marriott Hotel in the city centre. If you're going, [find out directions](#), and have a wonderful time!

You can find more events on the [LUU website](#) and on the [student website](#).

Improving student systems and process to make your student experience better

Spending too much time queueing to sort out your admin? A new project is kicking off to make sure all University of Leeds systems and processes give students the best experience and we need your views. Take the [Student Lifecycle Programme survey](#) now for your chance to win a £50 Amazon voucher.

In case you missed it

- The [Get Out, Get Active](#) programme has different activities running throughout the year that you can get involved in. This includes kayaking sessions, walks around the Peak District as well as pilates and yoga sessions.
 - The University's IT team are giving you an opportunity to win a Microsoft Surface Go, worth £500. Details about the competition and the type of submissions they are looking for are on the [IT website](#).
 - [The South Bank Show Production Archive](#) is full of unseen footage and full length interviews. It features artists and cultural figures of the time, including Paul McCartney, JRR Tolkien and Disney-Pixar.
 - There's still time for you [to join a club or society](#) and meet people with the same interests as you.
 - There's a list of [campus disruptions](#) available online which tell you about works happening on campus and information for alternative routes.
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