



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.

Mumps suspected to be circulating among students – advice and information on what to do

Mumps has been confirmed in a student at the University and further cases are suspected in Leeds students. Mumps is a contagious viral infection, with potential for serious side-effects. The best protection is to make sure that you have had two doses of the MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) vaccination.

If you're unsure about whether you've had both doses of the vaccination or you've not had it at all, please contact your GP to check and get vaccinated. We also have [more information on how to recognise mumps and protect yourself](#).

Share your views to help make improvements across the University

There are currently a number of surveys running to find out your views and make improvements across the University. These include:

- [The library survey](#). This will help the team find out whether they meet your expectations and identify areas where they can improve. This is open until Friday 7 December and as a thank you, you'll be entered in to a prize draw to win one of two £100 vouchers or one of a hundred £5 printer credits.
- [Improving University admin processes](#) (like queuing to complete a form). A new project is kicking off to make sure all our systems and processes give you the best experience. Share your views for a chance to win a £50 Amazon voucher.

- [Digital skills survey](#). The University would like to know more about the digital skills you see as being important for life at university and beyond, and how we can help you develop these skills. Share your thoughts and opinions to help make change happen.

[LUU and the National Union of Students \(NUS\) survey on your thoughts and experiences of alcohol](#) (you don't have to drink alcohol to take part). The survey is open until Sunday 25 November and a thank you for completing it, you'll be placed in to a prize draw to win a top cash prize of £100 or one of ten £25 runner up prizes.

Staying in Leeds over the winter break

Many of you will be staying in Leeds after the first semester ends. Whether it's your first holidays here or you've been living here a while, there are a range of events you can take part in while the University is closed. From film and games nights, volunteering opportunities and trips to see sports matches, there is something for everyone. Check out the [Global Community annual programme](#) for details.

Call for Applications Now Open: Student Sustainability Research Conference 2019

The conference is being held on Friday 29th March 2019 and offers University of Leeds students at any level and from any discipline the opportunity to showcase their latest research in cross-disciplinary sustainability studies. More information and how to apply are on the [sustainability website](#).

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.
- [HOMED GIAG](#) – distributing food to homeless people, Friday 23 November
- [LGBT* GIAG](#) Saturday 24 November, 5 – 8pm, Room 6, LUU
- [Conversation Club](#). Every Tuesday. 4.10-5.10pm. Language Zone, 2nd floor, Parkinson Building.
- [Vegan and Vegetarian Food workshop](#), Wednesday 28 November, 4-6pm, School of Food Science and Nutrition building
- [Nightline GIAG](#) Thursday 29 November, 6-7pm LUU Room 4

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 your directions](#), and have a wonderful time!

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

In case you missed it

- Your draft exam timetable is available through Minerva. This will be finalised over the next two weeks and your final exam timetable (excluding venue information) will be available from 12pm on 30 November.
- [Help and study support available](#) throughout the year to help you with your exam preps and learning.
- 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](#). This is open until Wednesday 28 November.
- 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.