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INTERNATIONAL ARRIVAL GUIDE

FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH

Practical guidance for
international students 2015

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Welcome

The University of Edinburgh has been welcoming overseas students since its very foundation in 1583. Today, we welcome nearly 14,000 students from over 140 different nations to the University. We are extremely proud of the global nature and diversity of our student community and the significant contribution that you make to our living and learning environment.

The International Office exists to support you and your transition to Edinburgh and the University, providing expert guidance and

advice during your studies here. We very much look forward to meeting you in Edinburgh and helping you adjust to your new life here.

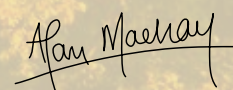
The International Office is centrally located at 33 Buccleuch Place which is in the main University area and we encourage you to come and visit us if you have any issues or concerns that you wish to seek assistance with. We understand that settling into a new environment can be challenging but there are a variety of support services on hand to assist you with this including the International Office.

Our main wish is that you enjoy your time here and have a positive experience. We very much hope that you find, as many have in the past, that Edinburgh becomes your 'home away from home'!

Best wishes,

Alan Mackay,

Director, International Office
The University of Edinburgh



Accommodation

Arrival at your University accommodation

If you have fully accepted your offer of University accommodation, you will be able to move into your accommodation from 9am on Saturday 12 September during Arrival Weekend (Saturday 12 & Sunday 13 September). Keys to your accommodation will be issued between 09.00 and 22.00 on site. If you are moving into a self-catered flat this will be at the Site Office or if you are moving into Pollock Halls they will be issued from the Common Room in your house. Staff will be there to guide you to your room.

Full details about arrival and key collection can be found in your MyEd accommodation channel.

If you arrive after 22:00 during Arrival Weekend, you should check MyEd for information on how to access your accommodation. In most cases, you will be admitted to your accommodation on a temporary basis by the security staff, and will be able to collect your key on the following day.

Please check the information provided on MyEd about items you may need to bring, such as bedding or crockery.

www.myed.ed.ac.uk



Finding temporary accommodation

It is important that you arrange accommodation before travelling to the UK. However, it may be difficult to find long-term accommodation while you are still in your home country so you should at least arrange temporary accommodation so that you have somewhere to stay when you first arrive in Edinburgh. There are several types of accommodation that you might want to choose from:

Hostels (also known as Backpackers) offer cheap accommodation in the heart of the city. They are a good option if you are planning on staying for a week or two while looking for long-term accommodation as you can cook your own meal and therefore avoid the costs of eating out. Hostels are affordable (around £15-25 per night) however you may have to share your room, kitchen and bathroom.

B&Bs (Bed & Breakfast) and **Guest Houses** are more expensive than Hostels. They can cost around £30-60 per night, with breakfast included. Evening meals are sometimes offered at an extra cost. You have your own bedroom and usually a private bathroom (known as en-suite); sometimes you need to share the bathroom.

Hotels are the most expensive option and the lower prices won't usually include breakfast. A night in a hotel in Edinburgh, depending on quality and location, will cost you around £50-80 or more.

You can find information about all the above temporary accommodation options on the Visit Scotland website.

**[www.visitscotland.com/
accommodation](http://www.visitscotland.com/accommodation)**



Finding long-term accommodation

Finding somewhere to rent can be a daunting prospect, especially if you are new to the UK. The following resources can help you in your search, and in completing the paperwork and procedures.

The University's Accommodation Services, in conjunction with EUSA (Edinburgh University Students' Association), will be providing a specific accommodation advice service in room 3.10 and room 3.11, Dugald Stewart Building from 7 to 18 September, 10am to 4pm. You can get advice from staff about arranging permanent accommodation in Edinburgh if you need help.

Student Homes

Throughout the year the University's Accommodation Services may have some accommodation available. You can check the Student Homes website to see if anything suitable for your needs is available:

www.studenthomes.accom.ed.ac.uk/student/search.aspx

Private sector accommodation

Edinburgh is well supplied with private accommodation for students. Over 50% of our students live in privately rented accommodation. Accommodation Services provide useful information on renting private housing:

www.accom.ed.ac.uk/accommodation/private-housing

The Advice Place

The Advice Place is an advisory service run by EUSA. They have specific advice online, including what to look for and expect when taking up a tenancy in the private sector:

www.eusa.ed.ac.uk/adviceplace/accommodation/

Lease and tenancy agreement advice

You can ask the Accommodation Services' Private Sector Department to check over any lease (tenancy agreement) you are asked to sign, to ensure there are no hidden surprises within the small print. You can also ask the Advice Place for help with leases.

Studentpad

You can find detailed adverts for privately rented accommodation for groups of students, couples and families through Studentpad. It also has several message boards, where you can post notices if you are looking for a vacancy for yourself, or if you want to find other people to share accommodation.

www.edinburghstudentpad.co.uk/accommodation

Property agents and lawyers

There are numerous firms of estate agents and property managers in Edinburgh, and many firms of solicitors (lawyers) also specialise in the buying, selling and renting of property. Visit:

www.espc.com

www.alltheagents.co.uk

Newspapers

You can find property adverts in free newspapers or student newspapers that are available around the University, and in student centres such as Potterrow. The Scotsman (on Thursdays) and the Edinburgh Evening News both have property adverts

Facebook pages

You can connect with other students looking for accommodation, or find out about any private vacancies on the University or departmental Facebook pages.

Scams

Do not, under any circumstances, send money to anyone for accommodation before you have seen the property. Make sure that the person who shows you the property is either the landlord or a representative of the landlord (such as a letting agent) and always read the tenancy agreement carefully.

You should be very wary if you are asked to send money via a payment service like Western Union, Bidpay or Money Gram. If you feel unsure about anything, contact the Advice Place before handing over any money.

Getting started as a student

Paying student academic fees

To make the best use of your time at matriculation and during the year it is suggested to pay online or use bank to bank transfer if you are self-financing.

Evidence of financial support or sponsor funding can be sent as an attachment to:

feepayment@ed.ac.uk

Answers to general payment queries (FAQs) can be found here:

edin.ac/1oBXtK2

Finance staff will be available to give individual advice at Appleton Tower, George Square on:

- Sunday 13 September 2015 from 09.30 to 15.30
- Monday 14 - Friday 18 September 2015 from 09.30 to 16.00

For anyone who needs to pay in person a space limited service is

available at the Finance Desk, Charles Stewart House from 14 September until October 2015, 09.15 to 16.30 Monday to Friday. Please follow the timetable at **www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/finance/students/fees/matriculation** to keep queues manageable and follow **@UoEpayfees** for updates during this time and throughout the year.

During the rest of the year you can contact Finance at the Student Information Point at Old College.

Payment of fees, in pounds sterling, can be made with one or a combination of the following options:

- Financial Support/Sponsor Funding
- In advance and/or at matriculation
- By instalment

For more information visit:

www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/finance/students/fees

Getting your student card

You should have already applied for your student card before you arrive in Edinburgh. If you are staying in University accommodation and have applied for a University card then you may receive it when you collect your keys.

If you are not staying in University accommodation you will be able to collect your student card from the following locations:

Main Library, George Square
Sunday 13 September,
09.30 to 16.00.

Monday 14 to Friday 18 September,
09.15 - 16.30

Monday 21 to Friday 25 September,
09.15 - 16.30

For further information and updates about student cards please visit:

www.ed.ac.uk/is/card/firstcard/student



Internet access

Get connected

You can connect to the University's Wireless Network (WiFi) from your tablet, iPad or smart phone.

For full instructions on registering and using the Wireless Network, please visit the Get Connected web page: **www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/information-services/students/get-connected**

Please make sure you read the information on using the correct username and setting passwords, before registering.

If you need help, you can contact the IS helpline on **+44 (0)131 651 5151**.

You can also email them:
IS.helpline@ed.ac.uk

Open-access computing labs at the University

If you do not have access to the University network through your personal computer, or wish to access course software, there are many open access and departmental computing labs for use by all matriculated students and staff of the University. You need a username and password to use any computing lab: these are issued to students at enrolment.

For more information on locations and availability of computing labs please visit: **www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/information-services/computing/desktop-personal/open-access**

There are also internet cafes around the city, mostly situated in the area around Nicholson Street, close to the central campus.

You can also access the internet at Edinburgh Council public libraries. Visit their website to find out about locations and opening hours:
www.edinburgh.gov.uk/directory/12/libraries



Opening a bank account

Can I open an account?

If you are studying at the University for more than one semester then you can open a bank account. For shorter visits, you will need to find a bank that will accept your business – Barclays Bank or Bank of Scotland, for instance, are worth contacting.

What sort of bank account should I open?

Banks name their accounts differently; however, as a minimum you should be eligible for a basic account which allows paying in and withdrawing cash in person or at an ATM (cash machine). A basic bank account will not offer credit such as an overdraft or a credit card. Ask the bank what type of accounts they have available and what account best suits your needs.

Which bank to choose?

It is up to you to research different banks and decide which suits you best. Some branches of banks have more experience in dealing with international students and you may find it easier to open your account at one of these branches.

How do I open an account?

To open a new bank account you will need to take:

- Your passport
- Original unconditional offer letter from the University of Edinburgh
- Bank Introduction Letter

If you are in University accommodation you will be able to download a bank letter from your MyEd student account which will provide proof of your Edinburgh address. The following branches of banks have agreed to accept this letter:

Bank of Scotland

- 4 Bristo Square, EH1 1JB
- 51 South Clerk Street, EH8 9PP

Royal Bank of Scotland

- 61 Forrest Road, EH1 2QP
- 30 Nicolson Street, EH8 9DL

Barclays Bank

- Unit 2, 10-15 Princes Street, EH2 2AN

HSBC Bank

- 118 Princes Street, EH2 4AA
- 76 Hanover Street, EH2 1EL

TSB

- 9-11 Clerk Street, EH8 9JH
- Cameron Toll Centre, EH16 5PB

Santander

- Potterrow, 5/2 Bristo Square, EH8 9AL

If you are staying in private accommodation, you will need to apply online for a bank introduction letter. It will take around 3 days for the letter to be processed and it will be posted to you at the address you give on your form. For more information and to apply for a letter of introduction, please visit:

www.ed.ac.uk/staff-students/students/new-students/money/banking

Healthcare

Registering for healthcare

You should register with a doctor (a General Practitioner (GP)) soon after you arrive in Edinburgh.

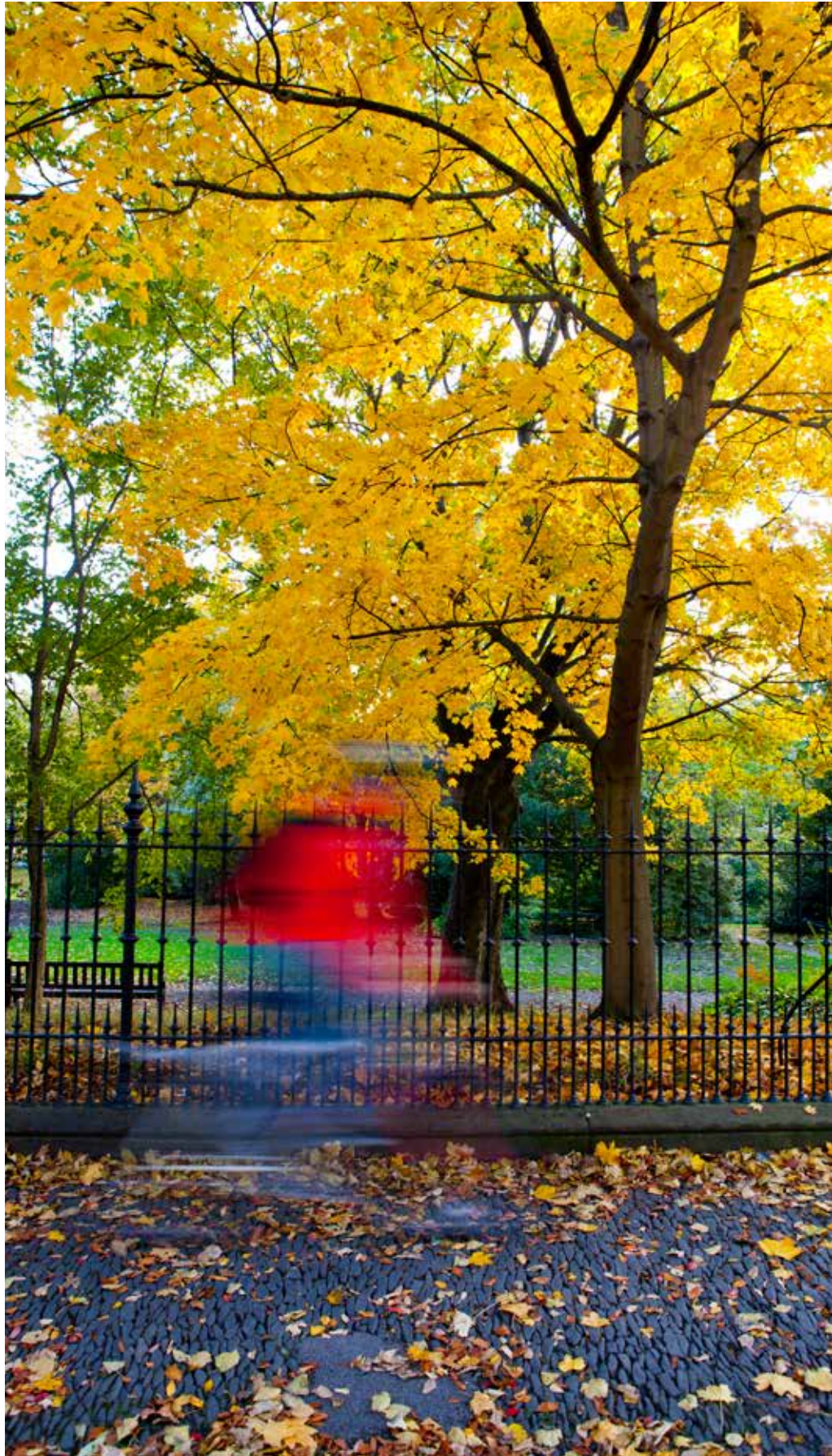
You are only able to register with a doctor near to where you live. To find the doctor surgeries close to your accommodation, check the NHS24 website and then contact them to enquire whether they will be able to accept new patients:

www.nhs24.com/findlocal

When registering with a GP, you will be required to provide the following:

- Passport/visa/identity card
- Proof of full time student status
- Proof of address

Registration involves completing a form and having a health check. Remember to keep your contact details (address, email address, phone number etc.) up-to-date so that your GP can stay in touch with you and so that you can obtain an appointment as soon as possible when required.



Police registration



After arriving in Edinburgh, some international students may need to register with the police, normally within seven days of collecting your BRP. It will say on your visa if you are required to register.

To make it simpler for you, the local police come to the University to offer registration appointments. You should have received details during August with details of how to book an appointment - otherwise you will need to attend the Police Headquarters. More information is online:

www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/international-office/immigration/new-students/police-registration

What will I need to bring?

To register, you must bring the following:

- Your passport
- The registration fee - £34 (cash only)
- 2 passport-size photographs of yourself
- A print-out of your unconditional offer of study at the University of Edinburgh (this can be found in your MyEd email inbox)
- Proof of your address in Edinburgh (e.g. University accommodation contract in MyEd / other accommodation contract / a utility bill / a bank statement, etc.)
- Your completed initial registration form (you can download this from our website)
- UK visa / Biometric Residence Permit and accompanying letter

Your first week

Welcome Week 2015

The week immediately before your first semester starts at the University is known as Welcome Week.

During the week you have the opportunity to familiarise yourself with life as a student at Edinburgh. You will officially enrol at the University and can attend information sessions, orientation events and a range of activities organised by Edinburgh University Students' Association (EUSA), which are designed to help you settle in and gain access to services.

Some examples of events you can attend are:

- **Clubs and Societies Fair** – your first chance to see which societies are available to join.
- **Edinburgh International Day** – a great welcome to international students and a fantastic insight into studying in Scotland.
- **Freshers' Ball** – your opportunity to celebrate with your new found friends.

Online registration

Make sure you read the information provided specifically for new students starting your degree. This may be posted or sent electronically.

The registration process consists of three elements:

1. Make sure you have registered via your MyEd portal
2. Meet your personal tutor or supervisor. The College/School in which you will be studying will supply you with details about the arrangements for meeting your Personal Tutor.
3. Fulfilling any admission criteria as prescribed by your College
4. Where applicable, send the Fees and Student Support team a copy of your sponsor award letter.



Events in your first week

International Arrivals Lounge

Friday 11 September
Saturday 12 September
10.00 - 16.00

Foyer,
7 Bristo Square

This is an opportunity to meet International Office staff and other new students, have your questions answered and have a cup of tea or coffee in an informal environment. Keep up with our International Arrivals Lounge updates on our website:

www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/international-office/student-advisory-service/orientation-events

International Day

Sunday 13 September
From 10.00

Appleton Tower Foyer,
George Square

International Day is a great opportunity to get information and advice, learn more about your upcoming academic and social life at Edinburgh, and meet new friends.

The programme consists of practical sessions such as bank accounts and working in the UK. It also covers the Edinburgh experience from the students' point of view. Get involved right away by learning more about societies, sport clubs, and volunteering opportunities!

Finish the day with trying your hand at some traditional dancing at the Ceilidh in the Teviot Debating Hall!

Parents and Family Reception

Session one: Saturday 12 September

Presentation in George Square
Lecture Theatre
15.00 - 16.00

Informal Drinks Reception in Dining Room (Teviot Row House)
16.00-17.00

Session two: Sunday 13 September

Presentation in George Square
Lecture Theatre
11.00 - 12.00

Informal Drinks Reception in Dining Room (Teviot Row House)
12.00-13.00

While new international students are attending the International Day programme, parents and relatives accompanying them are invited to a reception held by the International Office and EUSA. This is an opportunity for parents and relatives to meet some of the International Office staff and learn more about the University and the wide range of services provided to students here.

Postgraduate Research Student Welcome

Tuesday 15 September
09.30 - 12.15

Assembly Hall,
New College

Repeat Session:

Friday 18 September
09.30 - 12.00

Main Lecture Theatre,
Michael Swann Building,
Kings Buildings

This is the University's formal Welcome for all Postgraduate Research students. This includes hearing from and talking to different services, networking with fellow students and hearing about the different opportunities available to you. This event is ticketed. These are identical sessions so if they are full please attend another session. Please book your ticket here:

**[www.ed.ac.uk/staff-students/
students/new-students/events/
academic/postgraduates](http://www.ed.ac.uk/staff-students/students/new-students/events/academic/postgraduates)**

Postgraduate Taught Student Welcome

Tuesday 15 September
12.45 - 14.40
14.45 - 17.00 (repeat session)

Assembly Hall,
New College

Repeat session:

Friday 18 September
12.45 - 16:40 (repeat session)
15.00 - 17.00 (repeat session)

Main Lecture Theatre,
Michael Swann Building,
Kings Buildings

This is the University's formal Welcome for all Postgraduate Taught students. This includes hearing from and talking to different services, networking with fellow students and hearing about the different opportunities available to you. This event is ticketed. These are identical sessions so if they are full please attend another session. Please book your ticket here:

**[www.ed.ac.uk/staff-students/
students/new-students/events/
academic/postgraduates](http://www.ed.ac.uk/staff-students/students/new-students/events/academic/postgraduates)**



Other events

Dealing with Culture Shock Workshop

Thursday 17 September
13.00 - 15.00

S1, 7 George Square

Are you feeling a bit anxious about living in a new country? The International Student's Advisory Service are running a workshop that will help you explore what is meant by 'culture shock'. We will look at what impact this might have on your mind and body, explore how to best manage the difficulties that arise whilst adjusting to studying and living in a new cultural environment, and help you identify coping strategies.

Please note, due to room size you must use the following link to sign up:
dealing-with-culture-shock.eventbrite.co.uk

Welcome to the English Language Teaching Centre

Wednesday 16 September
14.00 - 16.00

Paterson's Land, Holyrood Road
(Moray House Campus)

This is an event for international students for whom English is not their first language. Students will be able to find out more about the free courses and support provided and will have a chance to speak to some of the English language tutors.

Make yourself at home: A networking event for international students' dependants

Thursday 17 September
16.00 - 18.00

The Chaplaincy

This is an event for all international students and their dependants to meet their peers, enjoy a cup of coffee in a friendly environment and find out what support is available at the University and beyond.
www.facebook.com/groups/internationalstudentsanddependantsuo

Please note, due to room size you must use the following link to sign up:
makeyourselfathome.eventbrite.co.uk

Sunday Lunch

Sunday 20 September
12.30 - 14.30

The Chaplaincy

The Chaplaincy and the International Office invite you to join us for an informal buffet lunch. This is a chance to mingle with staff and other new students in a relaxed environment. The Chaplaincy Centre is for students of all faiths and none and is a hub of creativity and community. Chaplains are available to offer one on one confidential listening support.

www.chaplaincy.ed.ac.uk

Social opportunities

Go Connect

Meeting a local person or family can help you settle into University life, learn more about Scotland, enhance your experience of studying abroad and increase your understanding of local traditions and customs.

Go Connect is a forum for international students to meet with members of the local community. You can sign up online:

www.ed.ac.uk/studying/international/student-life/goconnect

International Student Centre

The International Student Centre (ISC) is the student-run arm of the International Office, dealing with the social aspects of the international community in Edinburgh. Run completely by volunteers, the ISC aims to make every student's time in the University of Edinburgh be an unforgettable one.

Find out what is happening at the ISC via the 'UoE Events App' or by following them on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/iscedi

www.ed.ac.uk/staff-students/new-students/events/event-app-intro

Academic support

Learning at university will often be different from what you are used to and it may take some time to fully understand how to learn and study here. You will need to get used to the different kinds of learning required in certain subject areas and the demands made as your programme of study progresses. Lecturers and tutors will offer you guidance on studying and what they expect of you, but we also offer additional forms of support.

Institute for Academic Development

The Institute for Academic Development (IAD) aims to help students succeed in their current studies and in their future careers. This is done in a range of ways, including courses and events, learning resources and study advice. Advice and information is also available via LearnBetter. LearnBetter is a study skills resource prepared by study development advisors at the University of Edinburgh's Institute for Academic Development to help students go about their academic work effectively and successfully.

www.ed.ac.uk/iad

Peer support

We run a system of peer support in the form of student-staffed helpdesks, information points, academic families, buddying and mentoring. This means new students can call on the help and advice of more experienced students as they progress through university life.

www.ed.ac.uk/staff-students/students/academic-life/peer-support/what-is-peer-support



English Language Teaching Centre (ELTC)

The English Language Teaching Centre offers a range of academic English courses to both undergraduates and postgraduates. All the courses are non-credit bearing and some have both online and face-to-face versions. There is currently no charge. The aim is to help students whose first language is not English achieve their full academic potential.

www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/english-language-teaching/students/current-students/elsis/overviewelsis

Undergraduate visiting and exchange students can also take Academic English for International Students (AEIS) for credit.

www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/english-language-teaching/students/current-students/aeis1-2

Students wishing to take any of these courses must take the Test of English at Matriculation (TEAM).

www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/english-language-teaching/students/current-students/elsis/team-test

Effective English Learning

This shows you ways of improving your English informally, beyond the classroom. It is based on English Language Teaching Centre research into the experiences of international students at the University of Edinburgh. The areas covered are listening, reading, grammar, vocabulary, writing, speaking and pronunciation.

www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/institute-academic-development/undergraduate-services/englishlearning

EPAX (Academic Writing)

This is a complete independent study package for students with English as a second language, helping you to improve your essay writing. It includes work on areas such as academic English style, essay structure, grammar and referencing. To access it, go to the Studies tab in MyEd, click on Learn and then Launch Learn. Under Self-enrol courses you will find Epax (academic writing).

Tandem Language Programme

Tandem is EUSA's popular language exchange programme. All students are welcome! It is designed to help you meet people and learn languages in a fun, relaxed, social environment without tutors, exams or lectures.

www.eusa.ed.ac.uk/getinvolved/eusaglobal/languages/tandem

Visiting Student Offices (VSO)

Visiting Students are typically undergraduate students taking a semester or an academic year abroad while enrolled at their home institution.



College of Humanities and Social Science (CHSS)

The key support office for visiting students in the CHSS can be contacted via phone or email:

Tel: **+44 (0)131 650 8268/3572**

Email: **HSSvisitingstudents@ed.ac.uk**

www.ed.ac.uk/humanities-soc-sci/visiting-exchange

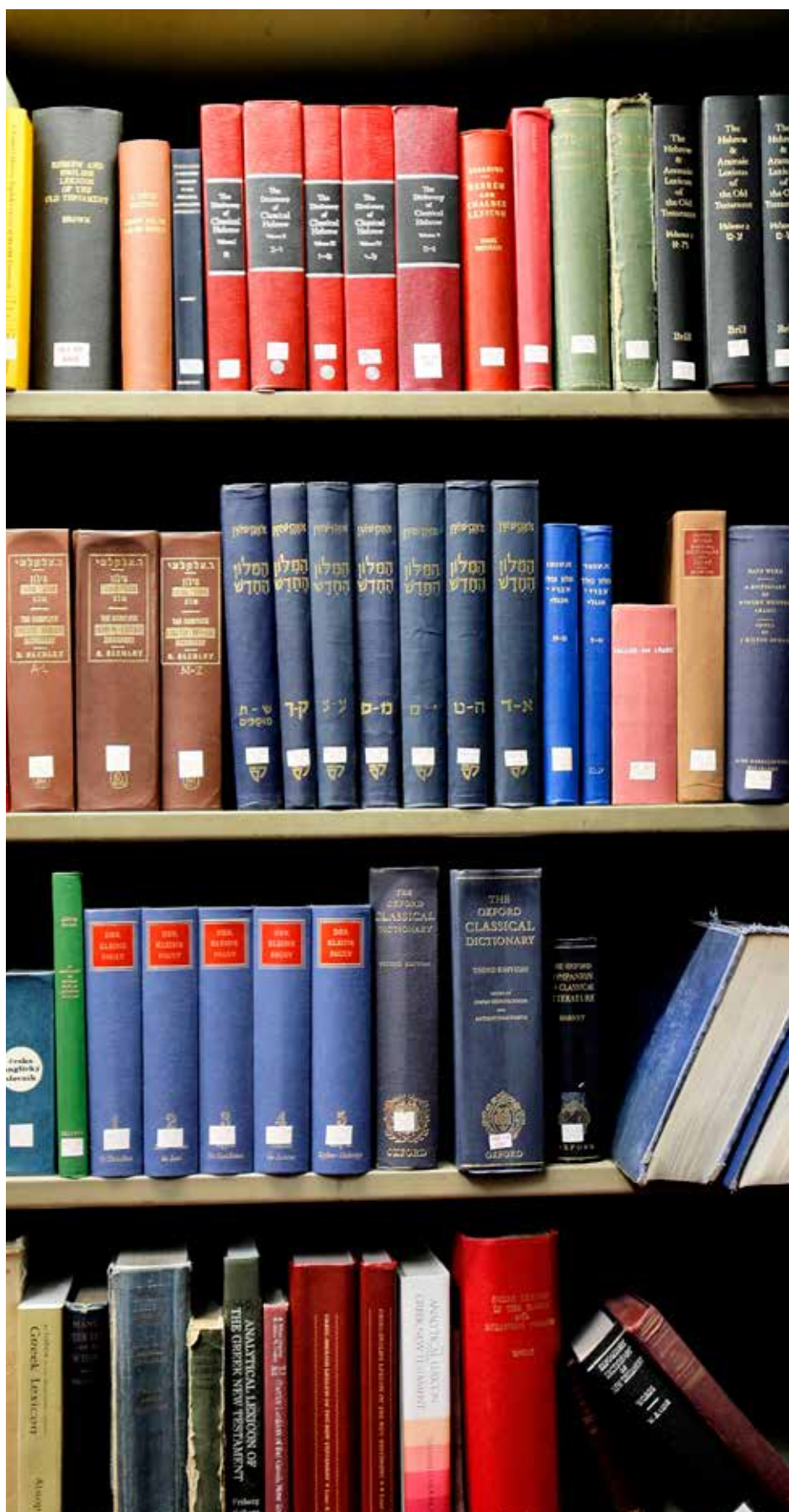
The Visiting Students Office (VSO) can advise you on any administrative matters relating to your studies, and will offer guidance and referral if you are having personal, health or other issues that are affecting your work. The office is open 9am - 5pm, Monday to Friday so please drop by during these times (no appointment necessary).

College of Science and Engineering (CSE / SCE)

Here the majority of support will be provided by your Personal Tutor (PT), Student Support Team, or School Teaching Organisations (school offices). Although you will have corresponded with the SCE Visiting Student Admissions Office during the application process and you may meet them on arrival in Edinburgh to find out the details of your PT, responsibility for on-programme visiting Students in SCE belongs with individual schools.

Phone: **+44 (0)131 650 5739**

Email: **scevisitingstudents@ed.ac.uk**



Need more advice?



International Student Advisory Service (ISAS)

The ISAS team can help you with immigration queries, visa extensions, and can also provide welfare advice and support. They also coordinate the University's international welcome in September and January and run cultural projects and events such as Go Connect and the Dependants' Network.

Contact us

International Office
33 Buccleuch Place
Edinburgh, EH8 9JS

Email: visahelp@ed.ac.uk

Tel: **0131 651 5294**

Social media:

 [www.facebook.com
/edinburghuniversityinternational](https://www.facebook.com/edinburghuniversityinternational)

 [@IntOffice_UoE](https://twitter.com/IntOffice_UoE)

 isasuoe.wordpress.com

Online:

[www.ed.ac.uk
/international-office
/student-advisory-service](http://www.ed.ac.uk/international-office/student-advisory-service)

Shopping

Clothing

Princes Street is a famous shopping street mainly dominated by high street shops such as H&M, Zara and Topshop. More upmarket shops can be found on and around George Street and Multrees Walk nearby. There are also two big shopping malls in the city centre, Princes Mall and the St James Centre.

Charity shops

Charity shops are operated by charitable organisations for the purpose of fundraising. There is a wide selection of charity shops (Oxfam, British Heart Foundation, Shelter and many more) within the vicinity of the University central campus, between South Bridge and South Clerk Street, and on the west side of the city, between Home Street and Leven Street. Most of their products are second hand items in very good condition, ranging from clothes to toys and household items.

Mobile phones

If you are using a mobile phone that you bought abroad, you could be paying much more than you need to in order to make calls from the UK. You can simply change the SIM card if your phone is unlocked. You can also buy a mobile phone in the UK for a very reasonable price. Before you proceed with any purchase, you should do a bit of research on the various tariffs available. Price comparison websites are a good place to start:

www.moneysupermarket.com

www.confused.com

You will usually have two options when you approach a mobile phone provider - contract or Pay As You Go. Depending on your usage, contracts tend to be cheaper, but please note they are subject to UK credit check.

Food shopping

Most people in Edinburgh buy their food at supermarkets such as Lidl, Sainsbury's, Tesco or Asda. There is a variety of supermarkets in the area around Nicholson Street, close to the central campus.

The Hearty Squirrel Cooperative, organised by the Edinburgh University Co-Operative Society (EUCS), provides healthy, ethical and organic food at affordable prices.

www.heartysquirreledinburgh.weebly.com

You can also shop at a farmers' market, where stalls usually offer a variety of local produce. In the city centre, there are two every Saturday, 09.00 – 14.00 on Castle Terrace, and 10.00 – 17.00 on the Grassmarket.



International food

Please see our map on page 21 for location of the following specialist shops and supermarkets.

Specialist Shops

- Aihua (Chinese and Asian)
- Al-Medina (Middle East)
- Bismillah Food Store (Middle East)
- De Africa (African and Mediterranean)
- Deli Polonia (Polish and European)
- Hua Sing Ltd (Chinese and Asian)
- Janatha Food Store (Indian)
- Lupe Pintos (Mexican, Latin American, Spanish and Mediterranean)
- Made in France (French)
- Maqbool's (Halal meat, Asian and Middle East)
- Orient Thai Market (Thai and Asian)
- Rajah's Supermarket (Halal meat, Indian and Oriental)
- Red Sea Food Store (Halal meat, Middle East and Mediterranean)
- Salut le petit marche (French)
- Valvona & Crolla (Italian and Mediterranean)





Supermarkets

- 1** Asda
- 2** Farmfoods
- 3** Iceland
- 4** Lidl
- 5** Somerfield
- 6** Sainsbury's
- 7** Scotmid
- 8** Tesco

Specialist shops

- 9** Aihua (Chinese, Asian)
36 West Cross Causeway
- 10** Al-Medina (Middle East)
10 Nicolson Square
- 11** Bismillah Food Store (Middle East)
3 Nicolson Square
- 12** De Africa (African, Mediterranean)
163 Dalry Road
- 13** Deli Polonia (Polish, Bulgarian)
237 Leith Walk
- 14** Hua Sing Ltd (Chinese, Asian)
50 Ratcliffe Terrace
- 15** Janatha Food Store (Indian)
34-36 Montrose Terrace
- 16** Lupe Pintos Lupe Pintos (Mexican, Latin American)
24 Leven Street
- 17** Maqbool's (Halal meat, Asian, Middle East)
38 Potterrow

- 18** Made in France (French)
5 Lochrin Place
- 19** Orient Thai Market (Thai, Asian)
162 Bruntsfield Place
- 20** Red Sea Food Store (Halal meat, Middle East)
35 Marshall Street
- 21** Rajah's Supermarket (Halal meat, Indian, Asian)
3 Albert Street
- 22** Salut, le petit marche (French)
18 Teviot Place
- 23** Valvona & Crolla (Italian, Mediterranean)
19 Elm Row

Transport in Edinburgh



Travelling around Edinburgh

For information on travelling to the University's main campuses go to the University Transport website:

www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/transport/travelling-here

A city to walk in

Edinburgh is a beautiful and compact city. Walking is often the easiest way to travel. Try **Walkit.com** for suggestions of routes to take.

A city to cycle in

Cycling is a popular choice amongst Edinburgh students. It offers a cheap, quick and healthy way to travel. We offer lots of advice and support for cyclists on the University Transport website.

Using public transport

You can travel around Edinburgh by bus, tram and train. See our public transport website for more information.

Lothian Buses run throughout Edinburgh and into Midlothian and East Lothian, making getting around cheap and easy for students. A single ticket for any journey at any time is £1.50, or you can purchase a day ticket for £4.00, if you are making a few trips in one day. If you live too far away from campus to walk to lectures, you should think about buying a Student Ridacard. The Student Ridacard costs £15 for one week, £45 for a month, or £525 for the year. You can also save further by paying via direct debit. Please remember Edinburgh buses only accept the correct change.

University shuttle bus services

Central Area to King's Building:

The University provides a free shuttle bus service for students and staff to travel between the Central Area and the King's Buildings.

Royal Infirmary to Western General Shuttle Bus:

The University and the NHS provide a free shuttle bus from the Royal Infirmary at Little France to the Western General Hospital.

More information can be found on the University Transport website.

Useful links

New Student website	www.ed.ac.uk/new-students
Accommodation Services	www.accom.ed.ac.uk
The Advice Place	www.eusa.ed.ac.uk/adviceplace
Careers Service	www.ed.ac.uk/careers
Chaplaincy Centre	www.ed.ac.uk/chaplaincy
City of Edinburgh Council	www.edinburgh.gov.uk
Edinburgh University Students' Association (EUSA)	www.eusa.ed.ac.uk
English Language Teaching Centre	www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/english-language-teaching
EUSA Freshers' Website	www.eusa.ed.ac.uk/freshers
Fee Payment	www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/finance/students/fees
Institute for Academic Development	www.ed.ac.uk/iad
International Office	www.ed.ac.uk/international-office
IS Helpline support email	is.helpline@ed.ac.uk
Welcome events	www.ed.ac.uk/staff-students/students/new-students/events
Library	www.ed.ac.uk/is/library
Nightline	nightline.ac.uk
Public Transport	www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/transport/public-transport
Scholarships & Student Funding Services	www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding
Security	www.ed.ac.uk/security
Student Administration	www.ed.ac.uk/student-administration
Student Counselling Service	www.ed.ac.uk/student-counselling
Student Disability Service	www.ed.ac.uk/student-disability-service
Student Fees	www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/fees
Student Information Points	www.ed.ac.uk/student-information-points
Timetabling	www.ed.ac.uk/timetabling
Travelling to University	www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/transport/travelling-here
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University Health Service	www.health-service.ed.ac.uk



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