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Welcome to the
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Inbound Welcome Talk
January 2025

- **Meet the GLOPPS Inbound Team**
- **Welcome programme**
- **Modules & Academics**
- **Support**
- **Q & A**

Welcome to Exeter!

Exeter Bucket List

@exeterabroad

📷 Taking a picture at the rock
👬 Getting involved with a society
⛪ Visiting the Cathedral for picnics and cafes
🌅 Watching the sunset at Exmouth
🍕 Eating a pizza from Firehouse
🍻 Having a drink at The Impy
🏉 Watching a Varsity game
🚣 Kayaking down the Quay
🍟 Getting curly fries at The Ram in between lectures

Enjoy a Train Journey!

- London
  - In just 2 hours, you can get from Exeter to the capital! Make sure to book in advance to find some cheaper tickets.

- Cornwall
  - Enjoy Exeter's proximity to glorious Cornwall! Great if you fancy a long weekend away. There is a direct train from Exeter to Penzance

Explore by Bus

Coaches

MegaBuses, National Express and Flixbuses are a great and affordable way to travel further afield. Explore some of the UK's most popular cities!

University Bus

The 4 bus runs from Streatham to St Lukes campus every 20 minutes during term time. Journeys cost £1.50. Download the stagecoach app!

Stagecoach

Explore the city on foot

Green Circle

Escape the hustle and bustle and take the 12 mile hike through the green valley parks and suburbs of Exeter.

Medieval Trail

Take a stroll from Castle Street, to the Cathedral and onto Southernhay, learning about the Medieval history of Exeter.

City Wall Trail

Follow the 2000 year old City Wall to explore the peramerter's of Exeter.
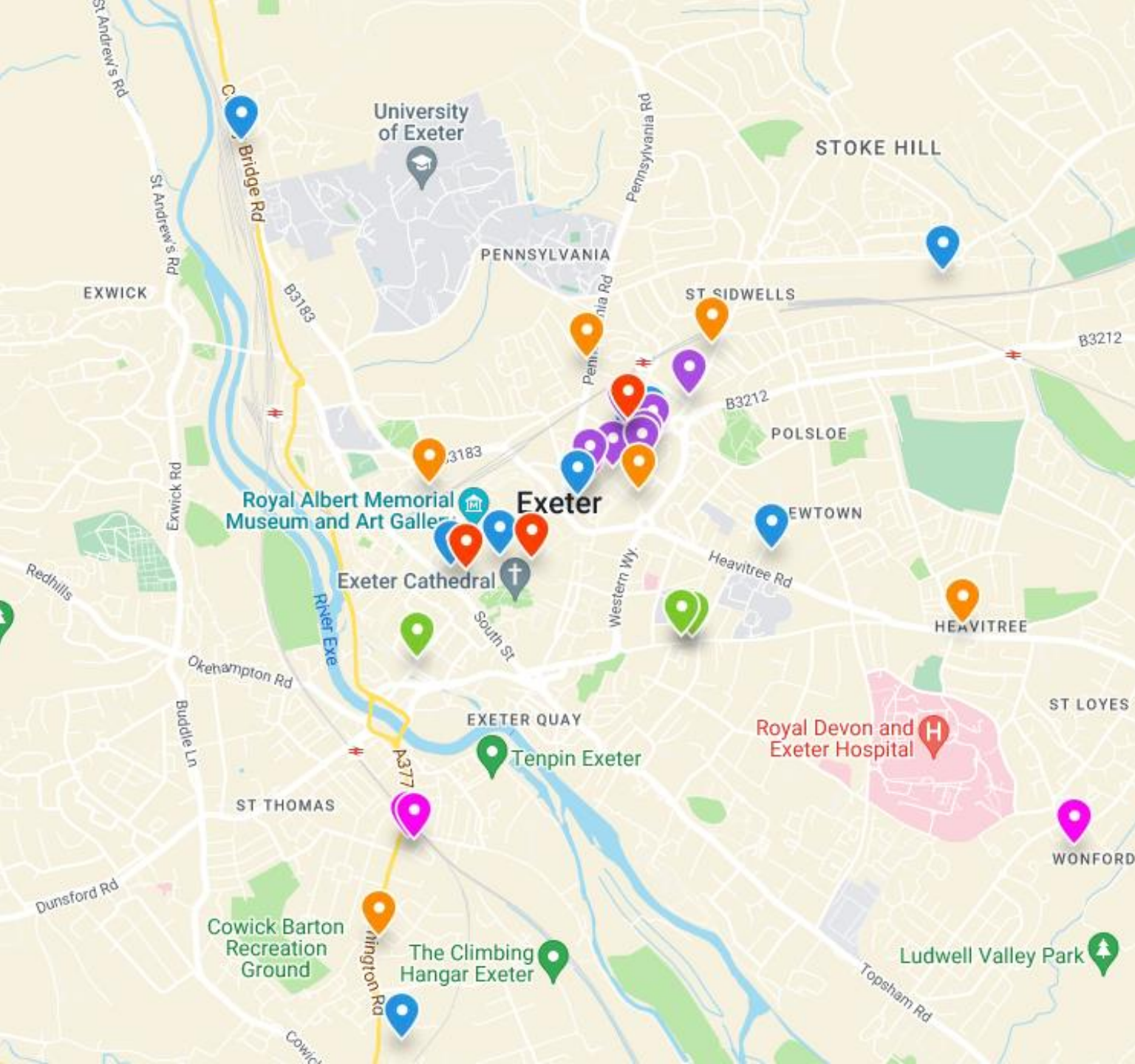
SHOPPING LIST

FOOD SHOPS

Supermarkets
(Sainsburys, Tesco, Aldi, Lidl, Waitrose, M&S, Co-op)

Local Supermarkets
Best One, Food plus, Mesopotamia

Asian Supermarkets
Yonk & 186 Oriental

On campus stores
Market Place

HOUSEHOLD

Wilkos
Argos
B&M/Poundland (discount stores)
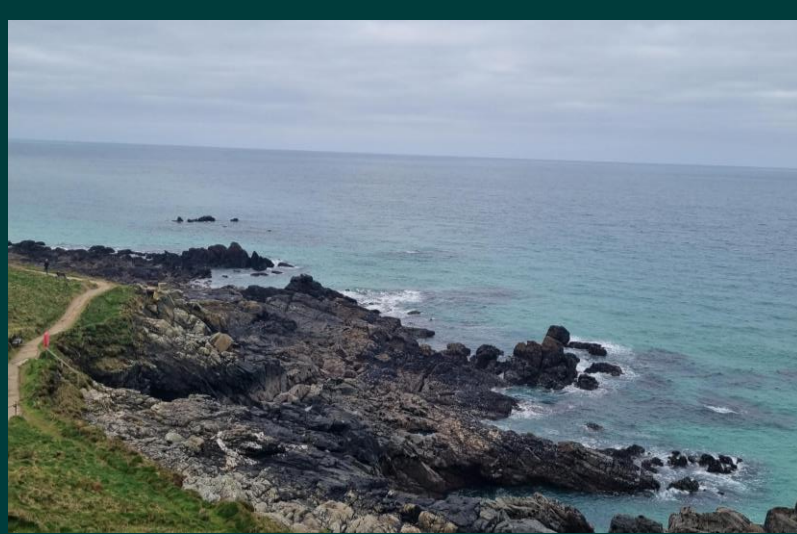Savers (toiletries & cleaning)
Supermarkets
John Lewis

DELIVERY OPTIONS

Supermarkets delivery
Amazon & online platforms

Most stores offer free delivery to store

STUDENT DISCOUNTS

Student Discount (Unidays, student beans)
Loyalty cards (eg Nectar or Tesco Clubcard)
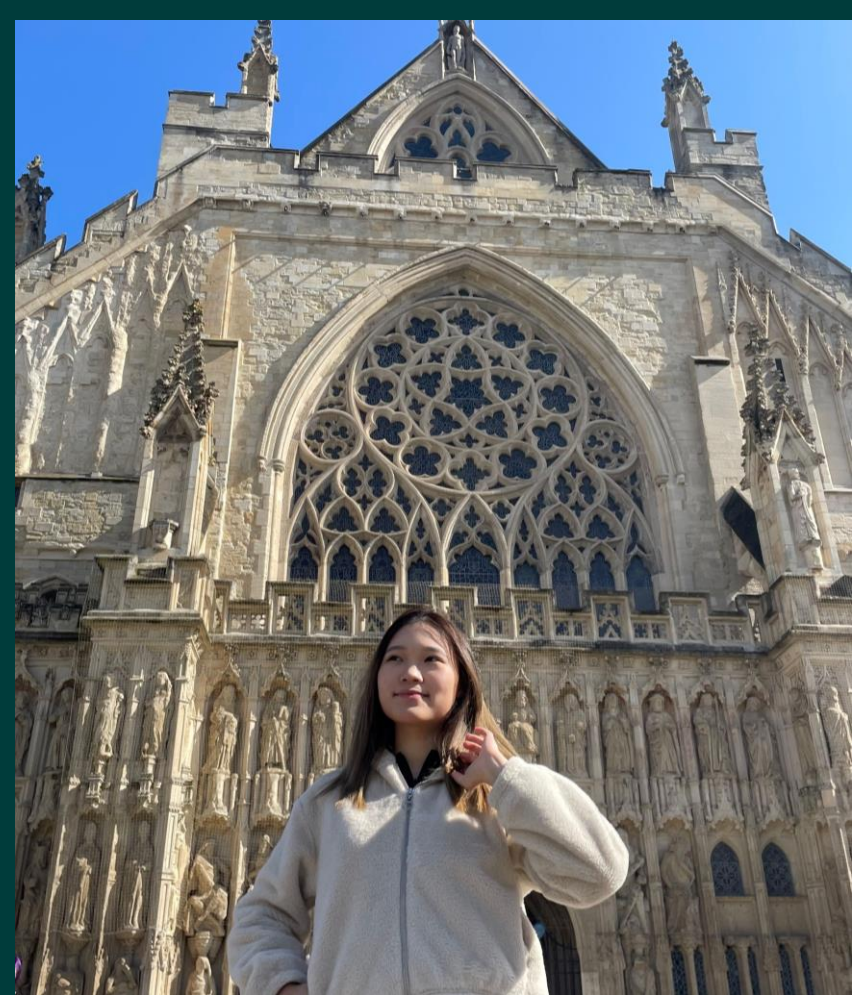
International Welcome Programme

Staying Safe

- Urban Angels Exeter
- Safe Zone App
- Nightline
- Safe space @ St Stephens Church
- Night bus to campus
- Campus security & estate patrol
- Night pastors
- 999 for emergencies
- 111 for NHS non-emergencies and advice

Modules

Module Change System

You can add/drop modules until midday on **Friday 24ᵗʰ January.**

All module changes (except for the module codes: ECM, MTH, COM, ENG) must be made using the module change system.

- Changes take 2-5 days to process by the department

- You must log in using your University of Exeter IT account

- You gain access to waitlists and can see an indication of module availability

Study Support Drop-Ins Streatham Campus

January 13th	10am - 12pm	Seminar Room 4, Forum Building
January 14th	10am - 2pm	Constantine Levantis, Building One
January 15th	10am - 2pm	Kolade Teaching Room, Building One
January 16th	10am - 2pm	Constantine Levantis, Building One
January 17th	10am - 2pm	Pearson Teaching Room, Building One
January 20th	10am - 2pm	Peter Chalk 2.5, Peter Chalk Building
January 21st	10am - 12pm	Queens 1H, Queens Building
January 22nd	10am - 2pm	Harrison 250, Harrison Building
January 23rd	10am - 12pm	Laver 212, Laver Building
January 24th	10am - 12pm	Pearson Teaching Room, Building One

Timetable Clashes

You can check your timetable on the **MyExeter App** and look up new timetables on **MyTimetable**: https://mytimetable.exeter.ac.uk/schedule

- If you do have a clash you will need to change one of the modules, please contact the Info Point for more advice

- If you change your modules it can take several days for your new module to appear on iExeter. Please be patient!

MyExeter

- Access your timetable
- Find Study Spaces that Suit you
- Discover what's on
- Stay connected- access ELE2 and SRS
- Check-in (for students on a student visa)

If you encounter any issues, please visit the Digital Hub stand in the Forum.

View study space available on campus, drop-in or book in advance. Want to see study space at a different campus? Change your location in account. Don't forget to change it back!

Amory Building
Streatham
has 270 drop-in spaces
Booking Options

Building:One
Streatham
has 24 drop-in spaces

Devonshire House
Streatham
has 414 drop-in spaces

Forum
Streatham
has 332 drop-in spaces

My Day   Study Spaces   Discover

ELE²

- Course details including: the module handbook, assignments, reading lists and a breakdown of each week's course content.

- Assessments, including the ability to request mitigation

If you encounter any issues, please visit the Digital Hub stand in the Forum.

Assessments

Assessment and Assignment Submission

Follow the guidance in the module handbook to determine how you should submit assignments. If you are unsure, you must check before the deadline.

Deadlines –
Undergraduate deadlines are specified by your module convenor. The mark for a late submission will be capped at 40% (50% for post-graduates) up to two weeks after the deadline and thereafter marked at zero. Failure to submit an assignment completely will result in a mark of zero.

Assignment Feedback –

You can expect to receive feedback for all your assignments within 3 weeks of your assignment deadline.

Extensions and Mitigation

If you feel that medical or other exceptional circumstances have significantly affected (or might affect) your performance in an exam, class test, essay or other assessment which counts towards the final mark for a module, you can apply for these circumstances to be taken into consideration

The University calls this process '**mitigation**'.

Plagiarism

- Plagiarism means copying other's work and claiming it as your own.
- It is not allowed and is taken very seriously by the University.
- By registering with the University you agree not to plagiarise or cheat in any way.
- Ignorance of the rules is no excuse!
- Use of AI – declaration

Exeter Grading System – Undergraduate

Mark Range	Class	Comment
70 and above	1st.	Clear and stylish writing. Very thorough knowledge of the material. Excellent critical assessment. Well structured and organised. Empirical data very well analysed and integrated in assessed work, or All the criteria for 2:1, plus substantial originality of ideas
60-69	2:1	Clear writing with a well-defined focus, reflecting a good working knowledge of the material and good competence in its critical assessment. Well-structured and organised. Appropriate methodology. Empirical data and experimental work well analysed and integrated in assessed work
50-59	2:2	Acceptable level of self-expression based on adequate working knowledge of material. Satisfactory structure and organisation of material. Appropriate methodology. Satisfactory analysis of empirical data and experimental work
40-49	3rd	Limited level of self-expression based on core material. Quality of writing inconsistent. Structure and organisation adequate at best. Unimaginative use made of appropriate methodology. Limited use of empirical and experimental results.
39% and below	Fail	Lacking in basic knowledge and critical ability. Inappropriate methodology or poor application of appropriate methodology. Major defects in writing and reporting of empirical data and experimental results

Exeter Grading System - Postgraduate

Mark Range	Class	Comment
70 and above	Distinction	Distinction. Work of near publishable standard reflecting outstanding knowledge of material and critical ability.
60-69	Merit	Work with a well-defined focus, reflecting a good working knowledge of material and good level of competence in its critical assessment.
50-59	Pass	Work demonstrating adequate working knowledge of material and evidence of some analysis.
49% and below	Fail	Limited level of self-expression based on core material. Quality of writing inconsistent. Structure and organisation adequate at best. Unimaginative use made of appropriate methodology. Limited use of empirical and experimental results. Lacking in basic knowledge and critical ability

Important Dates

Semester Dates:

Semester 2 Classes: Monday 13th January – Friday 28th March

Study break in April

Exam period: Monday 28th April – End of May

Official end of academic year: Friday 13th June
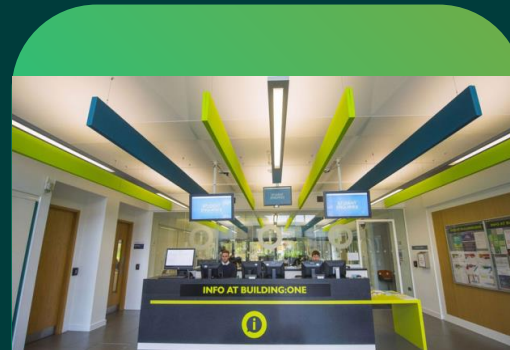
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Who should I ask for help?

Inbound Team

Student Information Desk (SID)

Info Points

Personal tutor

Who should I ask for help?

Inbound Team

For general exchange enquiries

Global Opportunities Team – Innovation Centre
inbound@exeter.ac.uk

- Ariana Sevilla
- Andrea Townsend
- Bela Coelho-Knapp
- Cat Bakewell
- Tracey Glenister

General exchange enquiries, signing learning agreements and document validation (stamp and signature).

Who should I ask for help?

Student Information Desk (SID)

Student Information Desk (SID) – The Forum

sid@exeter.ac.uk 8-6pm Monday-Friday, and 9-5pm Saturday

You can visit the SID desk in the Forum for Unicard replacement, student status and other queries.

Who should I ask for help?

Faculty Info Points

https://www.exeter.ac.uk/students/infopoints/contact/

- Mitigation
- Wellbeing Support
- Assessments
- Important dates
- Timetabling
- Attendance

Info Points

Who should I ask for help?

Personal tutors

Your tutor is a named academic contact who you can talk to about your academic, personal and professional development.

You can talk to your tutor if you are worried about an assessment deadline, are having problems with attendance, or have personal matters you think are affecting your studies. Your tutor will either be able to help you themselves, or will signpost you in the direction of the most appropriate person for the particular situation.

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Any Questions?

WELCOME FROM YOUR GUILD!

EXETER STUDENTS' GUILD

What's the Guild?

The Guild is a separate and independent organisation from the university that's led by students. It's here to help you Love Exeter! It's the home of societies (300+ student-run clubs that centre around almost every interest imaginable!).

The Guild can help with starting campaigns, within the university and in other spaces! One its big victories has been getting more affordable meals on campus.

The Guild also offers a free, confidential Advice service that can help give advice on your studies, finances, and housing, as well as specific schemes for certain groups of students.

Your Officer Team

Every year, the Guild runs elections to elect students to represent your interests to the university and wider! They're here to help, so reach out to them about any ideas or concerns you may have!

Meet Your Full-Time Officers:

Alex Martin
Guild President

Sebastian Racisz
Education Officer

India Walton-Salmon
Societies and Employability Officer

Thomas Tran
Communities and Equality Officer

Kira Brookes
Student Living Officer

EXETER STUDENTS' GUILD

EVENTS

We've got events to suit everyone! Explore what's on below and be sure to see what our brilliant societies have planned for you too.

15 Jan

Welcome Back Fair! (Quiet Hour)

15 Jan

Welcome Back Fair

16 Jan

Welcome Back Board Games

VIEW EVENTS

Want to find out more?

Scan the QR codes below!

Intro to everything Exeter
and "Welcome Back" events!

Guild Advice service - what they can help
you with and how to book an appointment!

Meet the International Student Experience Team

Sue O'Hara

Sophie Meadows

Cara Stokes

Emily Crocker (Penryn)

Over 20 years experience welcoming and working with international students at Exeter.

Supporting you at Exeter

At the beginning of your studies

Welcome to Exeter booklet

Student clearance and immigration

International Welcome Programme

Global Chums Mentoring

International Welcome Programme

Settling in, making friends and connections

Monthly email: Your International News

International Student Ambassadors

Intercultural Cafe

Cultural events on campus

Intercultural Cafe

English Language Skills Development

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Academic Manager

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What is English Language Skills Development?

- A free academic and general English programme.
- It aims to help students continue developing and improving their English language skills to achieve their goals.
- A varied offering:
  - Courses, workshops, one-to-one provision
  - Academic English, general English, Intercultural communication
  - Digital resources
- Two main programmes:
  - Credit-rated programme – part of your module load at Exeter and counting towards your overall marks.
  - Support Programme – no credits, taken in addition to your core modules.

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The Credit-rated Programme: Our term 2 modules

- ELC2727 – Academic Listening and Speaking
- ELC2728 – Academic Reading and Writing
- ELC2730 – Professional English
- ELC2731 – World Englishes

- All are 15-credit modules (7.5 ECT)
- All are RQF5 (second year undergraduate)

- Email E.K.Sweeney@exeter.ac.uk to enrol

ELC2727 Academic Listening and Speaking
ELC2728 Academic Reading and Writing

- Academic English modules with a skills focus.
- A strong emphasis on criticality and reflective practice.
- Taught in small group seminars with plenty of opportunities for feedback.

Develop relevant skills for all your modules

ELC2730 Professional English

- An English module taught within the context of business discourse.
- Develop English for academic and professional purposes
- Learn practical skills applicable to the world of work
- Enhance intercultural awareness and communication

ELC2731 World Englishes

Fascinating opportunity to learn something new

- Explore varieties of English from western, postcolonial and non-western contexts.
- Learn how they have developed within different social, political and cultural contexts.
- Enhance your intercultural awareness and skills in critical analysis, essay writing and presenting.

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The Support Programme

- Subject Specific English
- General Academic English
- Communicative and cultural English

The Support programme: Academic English

Develop your academic English in a supportive environment:

Subject Specific Academic English

- Courses designed for students in specific disciplines.
- Options available for business, science, psychology, LLM, history, global literatures and cultures

General Academic English

- Targeting specific skills that are common across disciplines.
- Courses: Academic writing, presentation skills, listening skills.
- One-to-one assignment tutorials
- Digital resources

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Find out more:
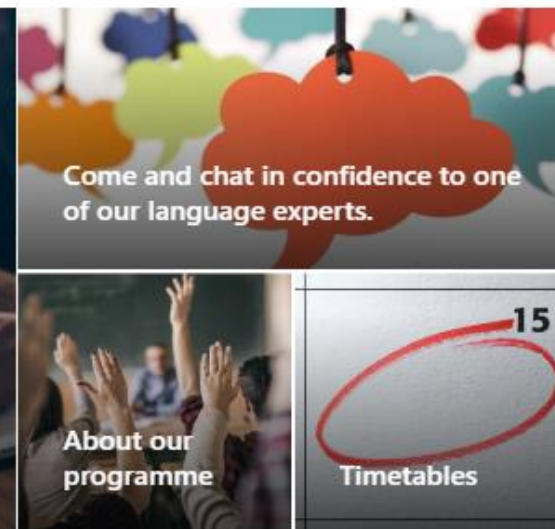https://www.exeter.ac.uk/students/english-language-skills/howtoparticipate/timetablessupport/

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Guided Independent Learning (GIL) is part of the **English Language Skills Development** programme run by the Insessional team. Through GIL you can improve your academic and general English **independently** and **in your own time**.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE
SKILLS DEVELOPMENT
THE INSESSIONAL PROGRAMME

How to use this site:

- Find out how much you already know
- Identify areas to work on
- Develop a learning plan.
- Use the **Independent learning resources** tab in the main menu above to navigate to specific skills areas that you would like to work on.
- **Join our Viva Engage community** to ask questions, get advice, and find out what other students are asking about.

How much do you know about academic English?

Learn more →

Come and chat in confidence to one of our language experts.

About our programme

Timetables

We also offer an extensive range of face-to-face classes, courses and standalone workshops. Visit the **website** *to find out more.*

Communicative English and intercultural communication
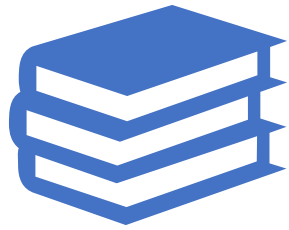
Working in a new and diverse academic environment:

Mismatch between your experiences and expectations and institutional expectations.

Different processes, procedures, services and responsibilities.

Different accents, different Englishes, different ways of approaching communication.

This is where we come in:

Building oral fluency and confidence

Developing discussion skills

Learning vocabulary

Improving pronunciation

Enhancing intercultural understanding and communication

Communicative English and intercultural communication

- Current Issues
- Oral communication skills
- Conversation cafe
- Pronunciation
- Language for employability
- Intercultural Communication: Developing Cultural Competence
- Find out more and sign up here: https://www.exeter.ac.uk/students/english-language-skills/howtoparticipate/timetablessupport/communicativeandculturalenglish/

Why should you participate?

- It's FREE
- Anonymous evaluation surveys for the support courses consistently show high percentages of students rating the support 'very good' or 'excellent'
- It has helped many students to improve their experience and do better in their programmes:
  - "Very useful, it is a good starting point before writing assignments"
  - "It gives overall picture of the academic writing at masters level"
  - "The teacher will discuss question with us and always encourages us to ask if we do not understand"
  - "We were highly encouraged to be active"
  - "I achieved 72% in my first assignment"

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We are always here to help!
https://www.exeter.ac.uk/students/english-language-skills/

Have you got a concern or a question about using English or improving your English?

Book at appointment here:
https://exeter-uk.libcal.com/appointments/streatham?u=38513