

# International Welcome Programme 2019

Our programme of practical information sessions and social events are designed to help you settle into your new life at Exeter, meet new friends and get the best possible start at Exeter. Most events are free and you can join in on the day but some have limited space or have a small fee and we recommend you book a ticket prior to arrival to avoid disappointment. Please do this at the [University online store](http://www.exeter.ac.uk/internationalwelcomeprogramme) [www.exeter.ac.uk/internationalwelcomeprogramme](http://www.exeter.ac.uk/internationalwelcomeprogramme)

We look forward to meeting you throughout the week.

Sue O'Hara and the International Welcome Team

\* indicates session that are repeated throughout the week

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Don't panic if you haven't booked your tickets online for events. Ask the International Welcome Team if tickets are still available and how to purchase one.

## Saturday 14 & Sunday 15

### International Student Clearance and BRP Collection\*

Date: Saturday 15 & Sunday, 09.00-17.00

Venue: the Forum seminar rooms

For all students who need to show their original documentation prior to registration and who have requested to collect their BRP from the University.

### International Students Welcome Desk

Date: Saturday & Sunday, 12.00-18.00

Venue: Student Services Centre, Forum

We're here to help and answer any questions. Come and chat to the team in pink.

### Campus tours (1 hour)\*

Date: Saturday & Sunday, 12.00 and 14.00

Venue: meet Great Hall Piazza

Join us and explore your new campus.

### Shopping Trip (2 hours)

Date: Saturday & Sunday, 14.00

Venue: meet Great Hall Piazza

Join us for a trip into the city. Buy your essentials, international foods and find out where you can grab a bargain.

#### Things to do:

Collect your **UniCard** from Monday – Friday at the Forum.

[www.exeter.ac.uk/newstudents/whenyouarrive](http://www.exeter.ac.uk/newstudents/whenyouarrive) for your specific collection time.

Get a **Bank Letter** from SID in the Forum Street if you want to open a bank account.

Collect your **Welcome Pack** from the Guild Info Point if you aren't living in University accommodation.

We encourage all students to have a **Meningitis ACWY and Measles vaccinations**. You can arrange a free vaccination through the Student Health Centre, Streatham Campus.

## Monday 16

### International Student Clearance and BRP Collection\*

Date: Monday-Thursday, 09.00-17.00

Friday 9.00-13.00

Venue: the Forum seminar rooms

For all students who need to show their original documentation prior to registration and who have requested to collect their BRP from the University.

### International Students Welcome Lecture

Date: Monday, 10.00-11.00

Venue: Alumni Auditorium, Forum

Formal welcome to the University for all international Undergraduate, Postgraduate and EU students including exchange.

### Campus tours (1 hour)\*

Date: Monday, 11.00 and 12.15

Venue: meet Great Hall Piazza

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### Shopping Trip (2 hours)\*

Date: Monday, 11.00

Venue: meet Great Hall Piazza

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### International Exchange and Study Abroad Student Information Session

Date: Monday, 12.00-12.30

Venue: Alumni Auditorium, Forum

Compulsory talk for new Study Abroad and International Exchange students.

### Erasmus Student Information Session

Date: Monday, 13.00-13.30

Venue: Alumni Auditorium, Forum

Compulsory talk for new Erasmus students.

### Tier 4 Visas: Stay safe, stay legal

Date: Monday, 14.30-15.30

Venue: Queens Building LT1

Information talk specifically for students holding a Tier 4 visa.

### Ikea Shopping trip (3 hours)\*

Date: Monday, 17.00

Venue: meet bus stop Rennes Drive

Price: £2 ([book online](#))

Join us for a trip to Ikea to pick up those last minute essentials.

### Cathedral evening tour

Date: Monday, 19.00-21.00

Venue: meet at Forum Student Services at 18.30 or at Cathedral front doors 19.00

Price: £8 ([book online](#))

Enjoy a private evening tour of our 12<sup>th</sup> century cathedral with the museum guides. A must see.

## Tuesday 17

### Campus tours (1 hour)\*

Date: Tuesday, 11.00 and 12.15

Venue: meet Great Hall Piazza

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### Introduction to British Culture

Date: Tuesday 14.00-15.00

Venue: Newman Red, Peter Chalk Centre

Come for a humorous look at British Culture through the eyes of our wonderful Welcome Team. Get the answers to the questions you have always wanted to ask!

### Wellbeing Walk of the campus grounds

Date: Tuesday 15.00-16.00

Venue: meet Great Hall Piazza

Price: free event

Explore your beautiful new campus with one of knowledgeable gardeners. Maximum 20 students, first come first served.

## International Students' Pudding Club

Date: Tuesday, 19.00-20.30  
Venue: INTO Centre  
Price: Free event

Join the Welcome Team, Chaplaincy and INTO staff for an evening of classic puddings, traditional games and quizzes.

## Postgraduate Welcome Dinner

Date: Tuesday, 18.00-22.00  
Venue: University Reception and Great Hall  
Price: £10 ([book online essential](#))

Join us for a stimulating evening of food, networking and a welcome from our Vice Chancellor. Welcome drink, 2 course meal and tea/coffee.

Book by 10 September, only 400 tickets available.

## Wednesday 18

### Essential Guide to University Life in the UK

Date: Wednesday, 11.00-13.00  
Venue: Alumni Auditorium, Forum

Hear from our panel of experts on what support the university offers you, UK banking, police registration and much more followed by questions and answers. This is an essential part of your university induction so please ensure you come along.

### English Language Support for International Students\*

Date: Wednesday, 13.30-14.30 (repeated Friday)  
Venue: Newman Purple, Peter Chalk Centre

Find out about all the classes and support available and how to register.

### How to plan UK and EU travel

Date: Wednesday, 14.30-15.30  
Venue: Newman Green, Peter Chalk Centre

Come and learn our top ideas for places to visit and money saving tips and hear from group travel specialists, STA.

### English Language Support Placement Tests

Date: Wednesday, 16.30-18.00  
Venue: Lecture Theatre, INTO

Please attend if you want to take credit rated modules in our English Language Support programme. Test will be repeated on 25 September 16.00-18.00.

## English Country Dancing Night

Date: Wednesday, 19.30-21.30  
Venue: Great Hall  
Price: £2 ([book online essential](#))

Experience a warm welcome, meet fellow international students and have a fantastic evening learning some traditional English folk dances with a live band. Everyone is welcome to this incredibly popular event, including non international students. There are only 250 tickets available, so book early!

## Thursday 19

### Global Chums Mentoring

Date: Thursday, 09.00-11.00  
Venue: Grove Diner

Drop in to the Grove Diner to meet our Global Chums Coordinator and hear more about how the scheme can help you settle into life at Exeter and maybe enjoy one of the Grove's legendary pancake breakfasts.

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## Friday 20

### Police Registration

Date: Friday, 09.00-17.00  
Venue: Seminar Rooms 4&5, Forum  
([book online](#))

Attend if your student visa says 'Register with the Police'. Appointments can be pre booked online at [our online store](#) from August. You can come on the day without a pre booked appointment but your waiting time may be significant. More information at <http://www.exeter.ac.uk/internationalstudents/visaconditions/police/registration> You will be able to collect your documents from the Police in the Forum on 9 October 10.00-15.00.

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## How to extend your Tier 4 visa

Date: Friday, 11.00-12.00  
Venue: Newman Green, Peter Chalk Centre

Come to this workshop if you need to extend your Tier 4 visa during your time at Exeter.

## Study Skills for International Students

Date: Friday, 12.00-13.30  
Venue: Alumni Auditorium, Forum

Come and hear practical tips from our Study Skills team about maximising your study potential.

## Working during your studies

Date: Friday, 14.00-15.00  
Venue: Newman Blue, Peter Chalk Centre

A presentation from the Career Zone staff about opportunities to work while studying and what the specific rules are for International Students.

## Saturday 21

### Freshers' Fair

Date: Saturday, 10.00-16.00  
Venue: Streatham Campus

Meet student societies and groups, sign up for a Global Chums mentor too. 10.00-11.00 is a designated quieter hour and tickets should be purchased for this hour only via the Students' Guild website. [www.exeterguild.org/ents/event/277669](http://www.exeterguild.org/ents/event/277669)

## Sunday 22

### Jurassic Coast Cruise Day Trip

Date: Sunday 22 September, 10.00-16.00  
Venue: Meet Rennes Drive Bus Stop  
Price: £11 ([book online essential](#))

Finish off your first week of term with a 2.5 hour sea cruise along the Jurassic Coast, the South West's World Heritage Site. You will then spend a few hours in Exmouth before returning to Streatham Campus. There are only 150 tickets available, so book early.