

Get Ready School leavers say...

Ask for help when you need it

At the beginning you might feel uncertain about asking questions, perhaps because you don't know the staff too well, or you're in a large class. But no-one expects you to know everything! Always ask if you feel you need help. If you have any problems, you can email the appropriate person. Some lecturing staff have times when you can drop into their office and ask for advice. You can also contact student support if you feel you need additional help.

Talk to other students and teachers

'Don't be shy talking to teachers and students. You can get a lot of help from them, and you can work together.'

Eve, Business Management

Asking for help

'Lecturers are quite helpful as well, as long as you make an appointment in advance. Email them, don't go to their room and just expect them to help you. At the start, there are also tutorial groups which you are assigned to with a tutor and five or six students who come every week and just meet and just talk about any issues you're having, and just to get to know other people.'

Romana, Software Engineering

Make time for your life!

Uni is an amazing opportunity to meet new people, try new things, and just enjoy yourself, as well as to learn about your subject. If you can find a good balance between study and the other important things in your life, you'll really enjoy your time. Of course you have to work hard on your studies to succeed and get good marks – but take some time out too!

Flat sharing takes teamwork

'The thing that I wish I'd done that first week when I moved into halls, was make a cleaning rota for the flat, because it turns out that it's really stressful having a pile of dirty dishes surrounding you when you walk in the door, with nobody willing to clean them up!'

Robyn, Animal Biology