

January 2025 International and EU Student Orientation Events



Welcome!

Welcome! The events highlighted below will help you settle into your surroundings and make the most of your time here at UWE Bristol. The social events provide opportunities to meet your international peers and connect with other students as well as introduce you to life at the University and the UK.

No booking required - simply come and join us at the meeting time and location stated on the programme.

The Global Lounge is open daily from **Monday to Friday**, between **10:00 to 15:00** (UK time). This is a space where the Global Student Support team and Student Ambassadors will be available to help you with any enquiries. We provide guidance on finding accommodation, we also help with returning to campus queries and help you to navigate your way around UWE systems as well as signposting you to other support services available to you.

Come visit the Global Lounge located in **P Block, Room 2P4 on Frenchay Campus -** see location on our room finder **here.**

Orientation Programme

Monday 13 January 2025 to Sunday 19 January 2025

***Welcome Hub** is open on **Thursday 16 January** to **Wednesday 12 February** from **11:00** to **15:00** at **The Space in room 2D11** on Frenchay. Come along and find out everything you need to know about registration whether you're a new or returning student, this is a perfect opportunity to speak to other UWE support services. We are all here to help you make the most of your university experience.

Find out more about Welcome Hub dates on other campuses: uwe.ac.uk/life/preparing-and-arrival/registration

Event / Description	Date/ Time	Location
Food Shopping Trip		
Join us on a trip to the local supermarket so you can start stocking up on food and other essential items to help you settle into your new home! Asda is one of the UK's largest and best value supermarket chains where you will be able to buy items from food, to bedding, pots and pans, stationery, clothes and much more! There will be a chance to check out other closeby shops surrounding Frenchay Campus.	Friday 17 January 11:00–13:00	Meet us: Outside P Block by the bench on Frenchay
(Look out for the Food Shopping Trip on Saturday 18 January, 11:00–13:00)		
Bristol City Centre Tour		
The UWE Global Student Support Team are excited to take you on a fabulous sightseeing trip around Bristol! Join us to get to know Bristol City Centre with new friends on an informative and interactive walking tour led by a professional tour guide. From the famous street art and culture, to discovering some of the history of Bristol. (Look out for the Bristol Museum Trip on Sunday 26 January, 11:00–12:30)	Sunday 19 January 11:00–12:30	Travelling from campus? Meet us: Outside P Block, Frenchay 10:00 to take the bus together into the city centre. For those living in city centre, meet us: Ka Fei coffee hub (Blue shipping container) in City

Starting Block:

Monday 20 January 2025 to Sunday 26 January 2025

Event / Description	Date/ Time	Location
Global Coffee Morning		
A morning welcome from the Global Student Support team who are here to provide you with all the support and guidance you need to help you to settle into student life at UWE Bristol! Meet our Healthcare professionals, Students' Union Advisor and Global Buddies, who will be here to help you with questions on topics such as registering with a doctor, accessing emergency treatment, how to open bank accounts and how we can help you find private accommodation!	Monday 20 January 09:00–10:00 OR Wednesday 22 January 09:00–10:00	Global Lounge, Room 2P4, Frenchay
Join us for a free hot drink and pastries. Food Shopping Trip		
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Meet the Global Support Teams		
Join us for an overview on the most important things you need to be aware of with regards to your student visa, working in the UK and how to access international and EU student support and guidance throughout your course. This session will be run by members of our Global Student Support, Immigration Advice and Global Employability teams, with the opportunity to ask any questions you may have about being an international student in the UK.	Wednesday 22 January 10:00–11:30	Room 3X110, Frenchay Campus
Intercultural workshop		
Moving and studying in another country can feel like landing on a different planet. Join us for an interactive workshop where we use Cultural Intelligence to explore your behaviour preferences and develop strategies to function effectively in a variety of cultural contexts.	Wednesday 22 January 14:00–15:00	Room 4X113, Frenchay Campus
Keeping safe as an International Student		
We are excited to welcome our friendly UWE Police Officers to share everything you need to know about common types of fraud targeting students. Learn how to spot red flags, safeguard your personal information, and report suspicious activities such as Hate crime. The Home Office will also be here to highlight regulations that may affect your right to remain in the UK and provide top tips on student work rules. Empower yourself with knowledge, support, and practical advice at this essential session!	Thursday 23 January 10:00–11:30	Room 6X101, Frenchay Campus

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Global Café: Meet your Global Buddies with Afternoon Tea		
Come and meet our Global Buddies and learn from them about their personal experiences as an international student studying at UWE Bristol!	Thursday 23 January 14:00–15:00	Global Lounge, Room 2P4, Frenchay
This is a great chance to meet new friends from all around the world.		Campus
You will also enjoy a traditional British cream tea with sandwiches, scones, cream and jam.		
Introduction to common learning issues		
Come along to an engaging and informative workshop on some of the common learning issues that students face and strategies on how to work around these. The session will include activities, open discussions, and lots of helpful information!	Friday 24 January 11:00–12:30	Room 6X101, Frenchay Campus
Bristol Museum Trip		
Experience the wonderful, diverse, and vibrant city of Bristol and explore its historical collections of art, nature, and outstanding history in two of its most important museums. Join us for a walk around the Arnolfini and MShed museums.	Sunday 26 January 11:00–12:30	Meet us: Outside the main entrance to the Arnolfini

Teaching term commences:

Monday 27 January 2025 to Sunday 2 February 2025

The Global Support Fair is open on **Tuesday 28 January** from **12:00** to **14:00** in the Library Foyer, D Block just opposite OneZone, 2D59 on Frenchay campus. Come along and find out about all the amazing support available to you to help you make the most of your university experience.

Showcasing the very best of what UWE Bristol and the city of Bristol have to offer, with stalls from societies, support services, and student–friendly organisations.

This is the place to go for all students starting in January to help them find out what happens on Campus and beyond!

Global Support Fair		
Global Student Support The Global Student Support team is here to provide information and advice to help you settle into life in Bristol and the UK.		
Immigration Advice Service Learn how our immigration advice team can support you throughout your studies and the best ways to contact them.		
Gradlink Gradlink, the UK's award-winning careers advice and job site for international students and graduates, will be on hand to let you know about this great resource and how it can be of use to you in the future.	Tuesday 28 January 12:00–14:00	Library level 2, Frenchay
Careers and Enterprise Meet the Careers Services team to discover the resources available to help with your career planning and progression and gain valuable skills and experience during your time with us.		

Student support fair		
Student Support Advisers Find out how a Student Support Adviser can assist you throughout your time at UWE, from course- related issues like choosing the right modules to taking time out from your studies, and much more.		
Student Success Coaches A dedicated team here to support and empower you throughout your academic journey at UWE. These experienced mentors are committed to helping you overcome challenges and reach your full potential.		
UWE Student Life Led by students, the Student Life Team offers a wide range of social events and activities to appeal to all kinds of students.		
UWE Feel Good Visit us for advice on a range of health topics and discover our Feel Good events focused on four key behaviours for your wellbeing.	Tuesday 28 January 12:00–14:00	Library level 2, Frenchay
UWE Health Centre Not registered with a doctor? Our UWE Health Centre team are here to help you register with the onsite Frenchay Campus health centre and to offer support in navigating the UK National Health Service (NHS).		
UWE Campus Police Officer Meet our friendly campus police officers, dedicated to supporting you with any concerns, reporting crimes, and addressing security incidents.		
The Students' Union at UWE Advice Centre Friendly, non-judgemental and confidential advice. Come and see us for advice about housing and academic issues, financial queries, and employment opportunities.		

Student support fair		
The Students' Union Discover the opportunities to build your community and represent your voice during your time at university. Whether that's helping you trying something new, to play sports or join a society.		
UWE Chaplaincy Chat with the team to learn about the support available for various issues, as well as spiritual guidance and space to explore faith.		
The Green Team at UWE Meet The Students' Union Green Team, a relaxed group of students passionate about sustainable change. Plus, grab some free wildflower Bee Bombs and sustainable living guides.		
UWE Student Money Service Get advice on making your money work harder on a student budget, including tips on managing income, cash flow, and expenses.	Tuesday 28 January 12:00–14:00	Library level 2, Frenchay
Library Study Skills Explore a range of study skills sessions available to international and European students, offered across all campuses.		
Centre for Sport Find out the latest news on our facilities, sport clubs, MOVE programme and any exciting and new additions we have here at the Centre for Sport.		
Centre for Music Whether you want to pick up an instrument for the first time or lay down some of your own tracks, checkout the Centre for Music. We embrace every genre and every single aspect of music.		

Student support fair			
Chinese Community Wellbeing Society Discover the range of support in Bristol and the Southwest - From offering a free helpline, support services, activities, and workshops to overcome cultural and language barriers.			
Visit Bristol Life in a new social, cultural and academic environment is exciting. Visit us to explore the fantastic opportunities our city has to offer.	Tuesday 28 January 12:00–14:00	Library level 2, Frenchay	
Konbini store Explore the incredible offerings from your local Oriental store and enjoy exclusive deals and discounts made just for you!			

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Global Café: Celebrating Lunar New Year		
The UWE Global Student Support team and UWEBIC International College are excited to celebrate the Lunar New Year of the Snake with you! Join us for a vibrant event featuring a spectacular lion dance performance, a chopstick challenge, calligraphy, and a chance to taste delicious dumplings and traditional snacks. Come along and enjoy the festive atmosphere with people from around the world! Feel free to wear your traditional clothing to make the celebration even more special.	Wednesday 29 January 11:00–12:00	Room 3P10, The Chill Zone, P Block Frenchay Campus