WELCOME WEEK SHREWSBURY 2022

Monday 19th September to Friday 23rd September



Student Services



WHAT TO DO BEFORE ARRIVING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CHESTER

PRE- ARRIVAL CHECKLIST

- Explore our Pre–Arrival Student Site (PASS) to enrol and arrange payment of tuition fees online (if you're not supported by the student loans company).
- ✓ Download the University of Chester Mobile App
- ✓ Submit a photo for your University ID Card on PASS
- Read the Information on PASS and make note of what you'll be doing during welcome week.
- ✓ Read your Student Contract
- Access your timetable when it is available from 1st September 2022 you can access your year-long and/or weekby-week timetable via Portal a week before you start with us. Not all weeks will be the same, so please check that you understand your timetable and make sure you are registered for enough modules. You can also get timetable information via the University App.
- Select your modules choices when you enrol (if asked).
- ✓ Download your free copy of Microsoft Office for Windows or Mac and iPad apps.
- Student Shout Out is the University's dedicated student communications channel. From events and news to the latest updates and opportunities, Student Shout Out brings you everything you need to know about being a student at UoC. Follow them on social to get a taste of what life at the University of Chester is really like and to keep up to date with the latest events and news **Instagram, Facebook, Twitter**
- If you have any questions about Welcome Week, visit our Pre-Student Site (PASS) or email the Induction Team at induction @chester.ac.uk

WELCOME WEEK CHECKLIST

- ✔ Register with a GP (If you don't already live locally).
- ✓ Attend your PAT meeting, academic department induction activities and social events.
- Keep checking PASS for further details and to see updates to the welcome week timetable as more activities are added regularly!
- ✔ Register for the Chester Difference Award (CDA)
- Log in to CareerHub to view vacancies, book onto events, book an appointment to talk to us, access careers resources and much more.
- ✓ Sign up to the Vacancies Mailing List to receive alerts about UniJob, part time work and graduate jobs.
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Please note that this programme may be subject to change and more detailed information (including details of social and academic events) will be available on our Pre Arrival Student Site (PASS). Please visit **pass.chester.ac.uk** for the most up to date information.

WELCOME

Congratulations on gaining your place at the University of Chester!

Our Welcome Week aims to help you understand your course, get to know more about Shrewsbury, make new friends and have some fun! University can seem daunting at first, but by the end of Welcome Week we hope that you are settled in and feeling at home. The University of Chester is a friendly community, and we are here to you help you every step of the way.

Research shows that those who get involved from the outset are more likely to succeed at University – they become more engaged students - but this involvement will be different for everyone. Not everyone socialises in the same way and you will all have different interests so our advice is look carefully at what is on offer and find something to be involved in sooner rather than later!

We have prepared this summary of events to let you know what you'll be doing during Welcome Week. There's also a checklist of tasks for you to complete before you arrive. You can also find out lots of information about student life at the University of Chester, as well as more detailed information on what you will be doing during Welcome Week, including a range of social and academic events designed to help ease you in to university life, on our Pre-Arrival Student Site (PASS) **pass.chester.ac.uk**

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We look forward to meeting you!

The Induction Team

Arrivals and New Student Registration/ Confirming Attendance – September 2022

Please note there have been changes to the new student registration/ confirmation of attendance process for non-residential students, in light of the funeral of Queen Elizabeth II and bank holiday on Monday 19th September. Please visit **PASS** for details.

WELCOME WEEK TIMETABLE 2022





PEER MENTORING SCHEME

Before you join the University of Chester, you will have the opportunity to be matched with one of our Peer Mentors, who can help welcome you to the University; share their experiences and answer queries about University life during your first year, email peermentoring@chester.ac.uk for more information on this!

STUDENTS' UNION

Your Students' Union is the place for societies, representation, student campaigning and your Elected Officer Team. For further info and plans for 22/23, keep up to date with all things Chester Students' Union via our website

www.chestersu.com or by following us on social media.



@ChesterSU

GET MONEY SMART

Your University years are a time to get to grips with living independently and that includes looking after your money! University of Chester have partnered with Blackbullion, an online learning tool, to help. Covering topics from savings and investments to budgeting and extra funding, Blackbullion has the resources you need to get money smart. Sign up at: http://www.moneyreadyforuni.com/



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Student Shout Out is the University's dedicated student communications channel which brings you the latest UoC news, events, info and opportunities in a weekly newsletter and on their Instagram, Facebook and Twitter accounts.

Follow them to keep up to date with what's going on at the University. https://twitter.com/uocshoutout https://www.facebook.com/uocshoutout https://www.instagram.com/uocshoutout

MONDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 2022

TITLE	TIME OF DAY	VENUE	DESCRIPTION	OTHER INFO
New Student Registration	10 am – 1 pm	UCS Guildhall	If you are planning to live at home, or live in the private sector or partnership accommodation, you must attend this session to register your attendance. Students will also have the option to drop-in to complete the process later during Welcome Week, Tuesday – Friday 9 am – 4 pm. This is a mandatory session for all new undergraduate students.	Just drop in! There is no need to book – arrive when you can between 10 am – 1 pm Contact the Induction and Transition Team for more information.
Introduction and Guidance to Life in the UK	2 pm – 3 pm	Online	Guidance on what you need to do before your arrival and tasks to be completed once you have arrived in the UK.	Just drop in! Click here to join

TUESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2022

TITLE	TIME OF DAY	VENUE	DESCRIPTION	OTHER INFO
Academic Department Induction	Various Times	Various locations Check your Timetable via the APP to find out your meeting place and time.	Academic Department Induction and Activities – Day 1 This is a mandatory session for new undergraduate students. Some departments are running additional academic days.	Check your Timetable via the APP to find out your meeting place and time.
Student Opportunities Fair	11.30 am – 1.30 pm	UCS Courtyard	Come to our Opportunities Fair and get to know your local community! University departments, businesses, and societies will welcome you into student life and show you what opportunities are available here at Shrewsbury.	J ust drop in! Visit CSU website for more information
Quiz Night	5pm – 6pm	UCS Library	Join us in the library for quiz night – outsmart your friends and win prizes!	Just drop in!

WEDNESDAY 21st September 2022

TITLE	TIME OF DAY	VENUE	DESCRIPTION	OTHER INFO
Chester Students' Union Welcome Fair	10 am – 3 pm	Downes Sports Hall – Exton Park, Chester	This year, Welcome Fair is coming home! After breaking records at Carriage Shed in 2021, CSU is teaming up with the University to bring Welcome Fair back to Exton Park campus. Alongside all the freebies you'd expect from us we're bringing together Uni services, charities, local businesses and national brands (like Foodhub and Dominos!) to show you the best and brightest that Chester has to offer. Don't study in Chester? No worries! We're going to bus you in from UC Warrington, UC Shrewsbury and UC Birkenhead to make sure everyone can join the party	Visit CSU website for more information
Chester Difference Award	Click here to book	Online	The Chester Difference Award (CDA) is the University's skills award designed to provide you with recognition for extra-curricular activities and help you to develop techniques to showcase your skills and experiences to future employers. Join this induction session to find out more about the CDA and how you can start your own CDA journey.	Just drop in! Click here to book
Top Tips for Looking after Your Wellbeing	2 pm – 3 pm	Online	Delivered by a member of the Wellbeing & Mental Health team this session will cover top tips for looking after your wellbeing at the University as an International Student.	Just drop in! Click here to book
Be alert! International Student Scams	3 pm – 3.30 pm	Click here to join	Delivered by a member of the Wellbeing & Mental Health team this session will give you information about how to spot and stay safe from international student scams during your induction.	Just drop in! Click here to book

THURSDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2022



FRIDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 2022

TITLE	TIME OF DAY	VENUE	DESCRIPTION	OTHER INFO
Academic Department Re-Induction	Various Times	Various locations. Check your Timetable via the APP to find out your meeting place and time.	A chance for returning undergraduate students to re- familiarise yourself with your department and course. For combined honours students, you may have a second session in the afternoon. Ensure you check your timetable and attend both sessions.	Check your Timetable via the APP to find out your meeting place and time.
Ice Cream Day	1 pm – 2 pm	UCS Library	Who doesn't love free ice cream? Come along to our Ice Cream Day in the Courtyard and get to know your campus while enjoying a delicious treat! Ice Cream is free on a first come, first serve basis.	Visit CSU website for more information
Student Visa and Compliance Q&A	1 pm – 2 pm	Online	New international students studying on a Student Visa must attend one of these sessions. You will also have the opportunity to ask to ask any questions you have on your Student Visa/Biometric Residence Permit card (BRP).	Just drop in! Click here to join
English for Academic Purposes	3 pm – 4 pm	Online	International students who do not speak English as their first language should attend. Find out how the English for Academic Purposes Team (EAP) can help you with high-quality free language teaching, to support you throughout your academic programme at all levels.	Just drop in! Click here to book

Contact Details Induction and Transition Email: induction@chester.ac.uk

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