Pre-arrival 2017/18

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If you need to contact centre staff in an emergency outside of office hours please call:
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Welcome

Dear Student

Welcome to **ON**CAMPUS Hull, we are very much looking forward to meeting you.

ONCAMPUS is part of Cambridge Education Group. We offer international students the opportunity to study university foundation programmes with English language, in preparation for undergraduate and postgraduate study. You will quickly settle in to life at the university and understand the study options available to you in the future.

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We look forward to seeing you in Hull very soon!

The **ON**CAMPUS Hull Team

Visa information

1. Immigration

Students from outside the European Economic Area (EEA) will need to apply for entry clearance, more commonly known as 'visa', before travelling to the UK. For further information visit the 'Student Visas' section on the Visas and Immigration website at https://www.gov.uk/browse/visas-immigration/student-visas

Visa and immigration regulations frequently change so please make sure you contact the nearest British Diplomatic Post to get up-to-date information on the visa application process, requirements and supporting documents for your visa application.

We can provide support and guidance to students who are already in the UK so if you have any questions please contact our centre.

2. Applying for a UK student visa

Most international students from outside the European Union who wish to take a full-time course in the UK must apply for a visa prior to leaving their home country. You can check your status on the following website: https://www.gov.uk/tier-4-general-visa/overview

3. Applying for your General Student Visa (Tier 4) to come to the UK

When you apply for a General Student Visa (Tier 4) you must include a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) number. We will send your CAS details when you confirm your unconditional offer of a place to study and pay your deposit/full fees.

Your CAS will not be sent more than three months before the start of your course.
The CAS number will be included in a letter called a 'CAS Statement'. This will also include important information needed for your visa application.

4. Biometric Residence Permit (BRP)

Non-EEA applicants (expected to study 6 months or more) will have to collect a BRP card as soon as they arrive in the UK. You must not wait until your course has started to collect this card. If you have used the centre's "ACL code" (listed on your CAS statement), your BRP card will be available for collection in the centre. It will otherwise be available in the Post Office branch you selected during your visa application. The collection point will be confirmed on the Decision Letter given to you when you get your passport back following a successful visa application. The visa sticker in your passport will only permit you to travel to the UK but is not the evidence permitting you to stay in the UK for the full duration of your course; only the BRP is.

5. Arriving late and withdrawal from your course?

The start date is published on your CAS Statement. If you plan to arrive later you must let us know. This is very important as we must inform the UK Visas & Immigration (UKVI) if you do not arrive on time.

If you change your mind and want to study at another institution, you have to tell us before you come to the UK so we can cancel your CAS with UKVI.

Once you have received your visa please email our admissions team at admissions@oncampus.global or call +44 (0)1223 345 698, this information is crucial for ONCAMPUS Hull to prepare for your arrival.

6. What should I do if my student visa is refused?

If your student visa application is refused, please inform our Admissions team at admissions@oncampus.global or call +44 (0)1223 345 698.

We will need to receive the full copy of the refusal notice before we can advise on the options.

Parental Consent for U18s

Students who are under 18 need to provide their parental consent form with their visa application and carry it with them on arrival to the UK. If you have not got a copy of the completed form please contact our admissions team before making your visa application.

What to expect on arrival in the UK

Immigration on your arrival

Passport Control

When you arrive at your port of entry you will need to pass through immigration so follow the signs to Passport Control. The Immigration Officer will ask you about the purpose of your visit to the UK and will look at the following documents:

Passport

- Bank statements
- Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS)
- Proof of accommodation
- Proof of financial support & any fee payments made
- TB Certificate (if applicable - please click here for listed countries)
- Original academic documents and their official translations (for any documents that are not in English)
- IELTS certificate

The immigration officer may ask you questions about your reasons for studying in the UK. It is important that you answer these questions in detail, politely and keep calm. Make sure you have all your supporting documents in your carry-on luggage if you are flying to the UK; you will not have access to your luggage until you have cleared immigration. Failure to show the right documents will result in delays.

If you experience any problems at Passport Control, please contact Katie Burbage—Student Services Officer on *+44 (0)* 1482 463305

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How to get here

Hull is easily reached from across the Yorkshire and Humber area. It possesses good road and rail links to all parts of the UK and enjoys some of the best international connections of any English city, thanks to its ferry terminals and regional airports.

By airport
Hull is within one hour's drive of both Humberside and Robin Hood (Doncaster/ Sheffield) Airports, and within two hours' drive of East Midlands, Manchester, Leeds Bradford and Durham Tees Valley airports. These give a wide range of connections to Europe and beyond. The regular train service from Hull to Manchester Airport takes less than three hours.

By ferry
Daily overnight ferry services run between Hull and Rotterdam and Hull and Zeebrugge. They provide a direct link into the wider European motorway and rail networks. Over one million passengers are carried each year through the Port of Hull.

By train
Eight direct rail services run each day between Hull and London taking as little as 2 hours 40 minutes each way. Hull Paragon Interchange is in the city centre and provides easy access between rail, coach and local bus services all under the same roof. A taxi rank is located outside the main entrance of the station that will take you to the University or halls of residence.

By bus
Buses are available from Paragon Interchange to the Hull campus on average every 10 minutes during the day. It will cost approximately £1.70 for a single fare.
Check EYMS (East Yorkshire Motor Services) for all available bus timetables between the University of Hull (including halls of residence) and Hull City Centre.

By coach
Coaches to Hull are available via National Express and link with other national and European services. The coach terminal is located next to the rail station. Coaches to London terminate at Victoria Station.

By taxi
There are taxis available at the Paragon Interchange as you go out of the front of the railway station. A taxi will cost approximately £5 from the train station to the University.

Accommodation

Living in university accommodation is a fantastic way to start your student life and make new friends quickly.

All **ON**CAMPUS students are guaranteed safe and secure accommodation close to where they are studying. The University has its own quality purpose-built accommodation, giving you the option of a single study-bedroom in a secure environment.

All accommodation is self-catered, with fully equipped kitchens. The accommodation also offers all-inclusive living, which includes heating, lighting and fuel costs in with the rent.

Rent for university accommodation is among the cheapest in the country.

There is a free Campus Bus service for students, run approximately every 15 minutes between the halls and campus. This service operates throughout the day. You will also receive a free bus pass for unlimited travel between the two if you choose to live in the University halls.

Thwaite Hall

Thwaite Hall is a picturesque 18th century country house set in over 24 acres of grounds which includes a large lake, pretty meadows and a woodland area which provides a peaceful setting to study and relax with stunning views. Thwaite Hall is catered accommodation so students will receive breakfast and evening meals. Students at Thwaite Hall will stay in a single room with shared bathroom. Thwaite Hall is a short journey from the campus and students will receive a free bus pass.

Price: £5850 for 3 terms

(inclusive of bills)

Accommodation

The Courtyard

The Courtyard is an ideally situated student residence as it is located on the university campus and is only a 7 minute walk from ONCAMPUS Hull and the library. The city centre is only 15-20 minutes away by bus if you would like to make a visit to the large shopping centre, wander through the streets of the old town or maybe to admire the views of the Humber Bridge from the Marina. The Courtyard is perfectly suited to students looking for modern accommodation with a luxurious feel in an ideal location for their studies.

Rooftop Apartment

The most luxurious option for students staying at the Courtyard are the Rooftop apartments. These apartments have a light and modern interior with ample storage, a study desk and office chair included as well as outdoor living space with fantastic city views.

Price: £7875 for 3 terms (inclusive of bills)

The Courtyard Standard Ensuite

The standard en-suite rooms at The Courtyard may not be as large as the rooftop apartments but they can still offer a modern interior and excellent storage solutions with under bed storage, shelving and a good size single wardrobe in addition to the study desk and office chair included in the room. The standard en-suite rooms can offer everything a student needs with access to the other fantastic facilities available at The Courtyard.

Price: £6000 for 3 terms (inclusive of bills)

To find out more about your options email liveinhull@oncampus.global

The Lawns

The Lawns is built in 40 acres of landscaped parkland and is actually made up of seven separate halls (Downs, Ferens, Grant, Lambert, Morgan, Reckitt and Nicholson Halls, plus the Lawns Bungalows) which together are home to almost 1,000 students

At the heart of The Lawns you'll find the Lawns Centre, our social hub. Having recently undergone a £2.5 million refurbishment programme, and is the ideal

Outstanding Facilities Include:

- Free bus pass—providing unlimited travel, 7 days a week.
- FREE broadband access at 50mb/s
- Cleaning of communal areas
- Pastoral care - wardens available 24/7 to offer practical and emotional support
- Card operated laundry facilities
- 250 off road parking and large bicycle shed
- Free sport and recreational activities

Getting to the Campus

Just a 15 minute bus ride from ONCAMPUS, The Lawns lies in the nearby village of Cottingham. And you get a free bus pass which provides unlimited travel, 7 days a week.

Rooms at The Lawns

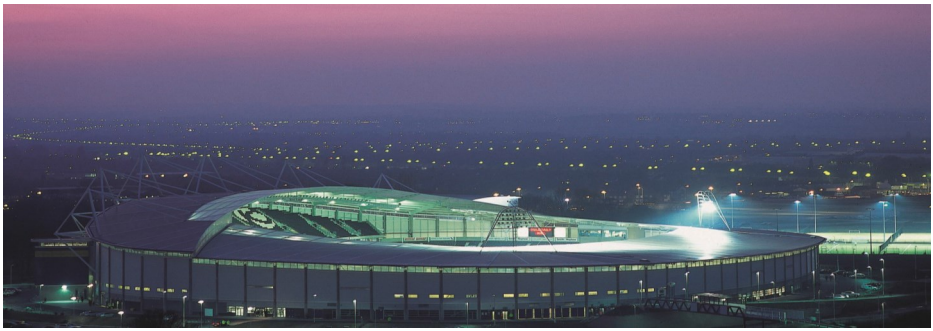
Students at The Lawns will stay in an Ensuite room with private bathroom and shared kitchen facilities.

Price: £5850 for 3 terms (inclusive of bills)

Summary

Residence	The Courtyard	The Courtyard	Thwaite Hall	The Lawns
Room type	Standard Ensuite	Rooftop Apartment	Single	Single
Bathroom	Private	Private	Shared	Shared
Kitchen	Shared	Shared	Shared	Shared
Catering	Self-catered	Self-catered	Catered	Self-catered
Internet access	Wifi	Wifi	Wifi	Wifi
Distance to ONCAMPUS	5 minute walk	5 minute walk	10 minute bus	15 minute bus
Age suitability	18+	18+	16-18	18+
Start date	23/09/2017	23/09/2017	23/09/2017	23/09/2017
Tenancy length	3 terms	3 terms	3 terms	3 terms
Refundable deposit payment	£250	£250	£250	£250
Advanced rent	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000
First term rent	£2,000	£2,625	£1,950	£1,950
Second term rent	£2,000	£2,625	£1,950	£1,950
Third term rent	£1,000	£1,625	£950	£950
Total cost	£6,000	£7,875	£5,850	£5,850

To apply for the accommodation, please email: liveinhull@oncampus.global



What to do when you arrive

1) **Check in to your accommodation and get settled prior to coming for enrolment.** If you have not yet arranged for accommodation, please contact the centre on liveinhull@oncampus.global.

2) You will need to be at the centre no earlier than **9:00 am** on the first day of term.

3) Please come to the Derwent building with your **passport**, **visa** and **original documents used to apply to study with us** (as found on your CAS letter) and we will begin the enrolment process.

4) Enrolment involves entering your details into our system, creating your timetable of classes and giving you further information about your classes and the activities we have planned for you during your first week on campus.

Finance

We want to make paying your fees as easy as possible. You have paid your deposit and secured your place. See below for details of your payment plan for the remainder of your programme. Tuition fees for each term of study at the Centre are due prior to the start of the term of study. All fees are payable in GBP (pounds sterling).

Payment Deadlines* for your course:

- £4,665 before the start of first term
- £4,665 before the start of second term
- £2465 before the start of third term (£4,665 less £2,200 deposit)

*this is a guide only, your full payment plan is available on request, please contact the centre for further details.

Fees can be paid via the following methods: peerTransfer | flywire

a. International bank transfer

ONCAMPUS has partnered with Flywire as a fast and easy way to make international payments. This is the best way to send funds from overseas. By using Flywire you can be sure that your funds arrive on time and that **ON**CAMPUS will always receive the correct amount.

Payment by this method also means you do not have to pay any bank charges, which can be expensive; with Flywire the rates are clear so you can always be sure about the total cost of the transaction.

Over 40 currencies are available and they offer competitive foreign exchange rates. If you need help, they are always contactable. Please be aware that the process may still involve making a transfer through your bank.

b. Credit card (including Visa/Mastercard) or debit card

We do not accept American Express. A 2% fee is charged for payment by credit card. The following information is required:

- card number
- expiry date
- three-digit security code (from the signature strip on the back of the card).

To make a payment using this method, please call our Finance team on +44 (0)1223 447794

c. Direct transfer of funds

Please see your pre-arrival information packs for bank account details.

An additional GBP12 must be transferred with the fees to cover bank charges.

Important: A payment reference must be provided so that the College can identify funds on safe arrival into our account. This must be the student reference number as stated on your offer document. This reference means that we can then allocate the funds against your invoice accordingly. Failure to include a reference may mean we have to contact you again to establish proof of payment.

Please note: non-payment of fees can result in you being suspended or withdrawn from the programme.

Term dates

Academic Year 2017/18

Undergraduate Foundation Programme
25 September 2017 – 10 June 2018 (3 terms)

Masters Foundation Programme
25 September 2017 – 10 June 2018 (3 terms)

International Year One
25 September 2017 – 10 June 2018 (3 terms)
08 January 2018—17 August 2018 (3 terms)

Term 1	25 September 2017 - 15 December 2017
Term 2	08 January 201 8 - 16 March 2018
Term 3	26 March 2018 - 10 June 2018 (end of teaching 1st June)
Term 4	11 June 2018 - 17 August 2018

Late arrival: Please inform us of your arrival plans and flight details as soon as you have them. If you think you will arrive late you must tell us as soon as possible, as we may need to inform the UKVI. Please send all this information to admissions@oncampus.global or call +44 (0)1223 345698.

Students are advised to check with the Centre Head before booking their travel back home at the end of each term. In particular it is strongly recommended that you check with the Centre Head before booking travel home at the end of the course in case it is necessary to remain in order to receive results and be advised of next steps in your study plan.

Sample timetable

Induction

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:00 - 11:00 Welcome Introduction Centre Head 11:00 – 12:30 English Language Assessment	9:30 – 12:30 INDUCTION & ENROLMENT DAY: UFP BUSINESS PATHWAYS Registration, Pathway Academic Modules: Tutor Taster Sessions, Faculty Information Sessions	9:30 – 12:30 INDUCTION & ENROLMENT DAY: UFP Engineering PATHWAY Registration, Pathway Academic Modules: Tutor Taster Sessions, Faculty Information Sessions	9:30 – 12:30 INDUCTION & ENROLMENT DAY: Registration Pathway Academic Modules: Tutor Taster Sessions, Faculty Information Sessions	10:00 – 11:00 ORIENTATION DAY: Student support Visa advice Library tour
12:30 – 13:30 Lunch	12:30 – 13:30 Lunch	12:30 – 13:30 Lunch	12:30 – 13:30 Lunch	12:30 – 13:30 Lunch
13:30 – 16:00 Student Information Session: Essential Student Information, Contact Details, Document Checklist Your Foundation Course, Studying at Hull Student Handbook, Campus Tour / Student Orientation	13:30 – 16:30 Student Documentation & Enrolment SL (Maths Assessment), Student Enrolment Interviews CH/DCH CONFIRM MODULES, Student Processes	13:30 – 16:30 Student Documentation & Enrolment (Maths Assessment), Student Enrolment Interviews CH/DCH CONFIRM MODULES, Student Processes	13:30 – 16:30 Student Documentation & Enrolment (Maths Assessment), Student Enrolment Interviews CH/DCH CONFIRM MODULES, Student Processes	Organised social event

Sample timetable

Academic

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09:00 - 11:00	English for Engineering	Physical Sciences	Skills for Science		Pure Mathematics
11:00 - 13:00	Self Study: Revise for upcoming exam	Self Study	Pure Mathematics	English for Engineering	Self Study: work on coursework
13:00 - 14:00	Personal Tutorial				
14:00 - 16:00	Pure Mathematics		English for Engineering	Skills for Science	
16:00 - 18:00	Go out to dinner with friends		Physical Sciences	Skills for Science	Physical Sciences

The timetable above is a sample timetable to give you a better idea about how your week will be organised. Your timetable will depend on which programme you have chosen to study.

Before you arrive, it is good for you to understand more about the programme you will follow. This information can be found on our website www.oncampus.global. Click on the programme you are coming to study and you will find more information about what you will study.

What to bring with you

You MUST make sure that you bring with you all the documents you will need to enrol:

- **Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS)**
- **Passport with valid visa**
- **Proof of payment OR sponsorship letter**
- **Original supporting academic documents (for example High School certificate, IELTS, academic transcripts and official translation for any documents not in English).**

Important: You will need to show your **ON**CAMPUS enrolment documents to the Immigration Officer on arrival so make sure you bring this in your hand luggage.

Money

International students cannot open a UK bank account before arriving. However, your home bank may have links to a UK bank which would make money transfers to the UK and opening a bank account much easier. It is a good idea to bring some cash with you for your first few days in the UK for immediate expenses. We recommend approximately £200 to £500 in cash and £300 in travellers' cheques. We advise you to limit the amount of cash you bring into the UK (for security reasons) and avoid carrying cash and personal documents in the same bag (e.g. passport, travellers' cheques, etc.).

Clothing and other items

You should have enough warm clothing for your flight and subsequent journey. Several layers of lightweight clothes are better than a single shirt or dress. It is probably cheaper and easier to buy warm winter clothing in the UK, rather than in your home country. It is worth bringing items of your national dress to wear at social events, and photographs of family and home may be of interest to new friends who would like to learn about other cultures. It is useful to bring some passport-sized photographs of yourself.

Luggage

You will have a free baggage allowance, which will be shown on your air ticket; this is usually from 20kg with a restricted weight of 32kg per single item of luggage. Only essential personal possessions may be brought in addition to research materials. You may be charged for excess baggage if you exceed the baggage allowance, so check with the airline before you leave if you are not sure of your allowance. You should make a list of everything you bring. Advice on importing personal effects and goods into the UK may be obtained from HM Revenue and Customs *(www.hmrc.gov.uk)*.

Preparations for your course

Some courses require you to write a dissertation or seminar papers. If you are on such a course you should bring with you important documents relating to your own country, which may not be available in the UK. If you want to bring items of high value such as a computer or audio equipment, you should also bring receipts showing when and where they were purchased. British customs officials may ask you to certify that the equipment is for your own use and that you are not importing it permanently.

Climate

The UK has a temperate climate, with few extremes. But the weather here is famously changeable, so be prepared. It can be quite wet and cold in the winter, (roughly November to March). A warm topcoat, hat, scarf, gloves and an umbrella are a good idea. It also gets dark early. Summers can occasionally be showery and overcast, but are mostly pleasant and rarely extremely hot. The days are long and it stays light until late in the evening.

Term	Average temp (max °C)	Average temp (min °C)	Average temp (max °F)	Average temp (min °F)	Total rainfall (mm)	Total rainfall (inches)
Mar to May (Spring)	18	7	64	45	199	8
Jun to Aug (Summer)	25	14	78	57	194	8
Sept to Nov (Autumn / Fall)	18	9	64	48	274	11
Dec to Feb (Winter)	9	3	48	38	305	12

Checklist

Preparing to come to Hull

Make sure you have a valid passport	
Satisfy conditions of offer (if applicable)	
Obtain visa	
Apply for accommodation	
Have medical examination and vaccinations (if applicable)	
Arrange medical/travel insurance	

*Documents including:

- Offer Letter
- IELTS certificate or original English language test result
- CAS Statement (if required)
- **Original supporting academic documents** (this is needed to fully register and enrol on your course)
- Financial documents used in your visa application
- TB certificate (If applicable, please click here for listed countries)

Before you leave

Arrange your transfer to Hull if you are travelling independently	
Buy currency	
Decide how to pay for your tuition fees	
Decide how to pay your accommodation fees/pay accommodation deposit	
Pay tuition fee deposit (if applicable)	
Check your luggage allowance and pack your luggage appropriately	
Have you put the emergency telephone numbers into your mobile phone (to be put in your hand luggage)?	
Photographs from home, Address and phone numbers of friends and family, Adaptor for UK electricity sockets?	
Pack all relevant **original documentation** or certified copies*	
Pack your documents for medical registration	
Register electronics on **www.immobilise.com**	

When you arrive in Hull

Check into your accommodation	
Tell your family you have arrived	
Enrol at the Centre**	
Arrange payment of tuition fees	
Open a bank account	
Register with doctor/health centre	
Register with the police (if applicable)	
Attend induction	

****When you enrol it is important to remember to bring the following documents with you:**

- Original passport and visa
- Original academic/school certificates
- Original English test certificate (IELTS).

ONCAMPUS **General Office**

The General Office is where your course is managed. This is where you will submit your coursework, receive your results, and get information/documentation and other general enquiries. Our office is open Monday to Friday from 8:30am to 5:00pm.

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