# **Exchange Student Welcome**



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## A Global University

- Campuses in 3 Countries
- World-leading Professors and Lecturers

- Students from all over the world
- More than 400 students in Y2







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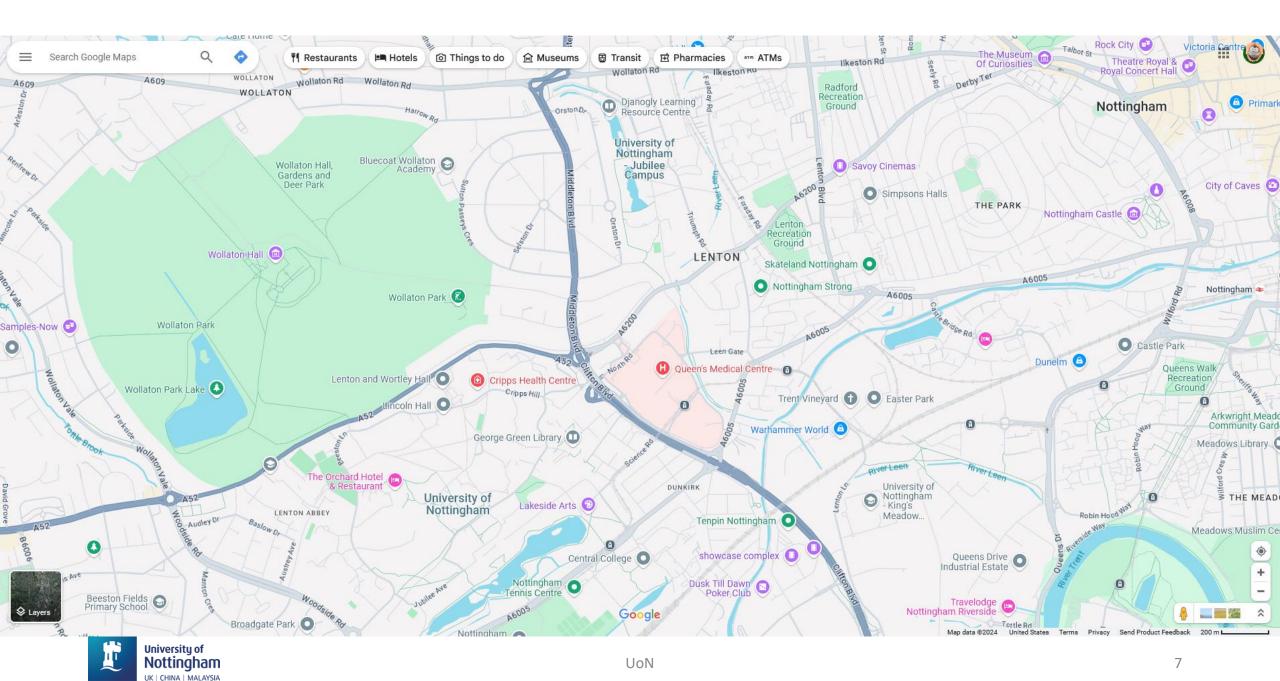








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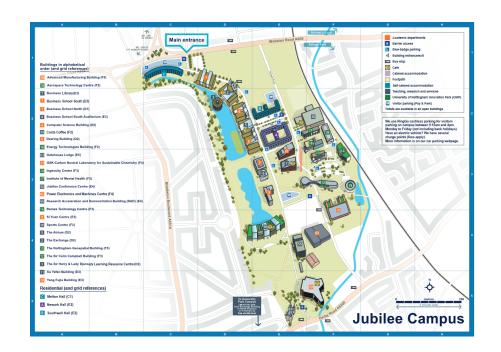


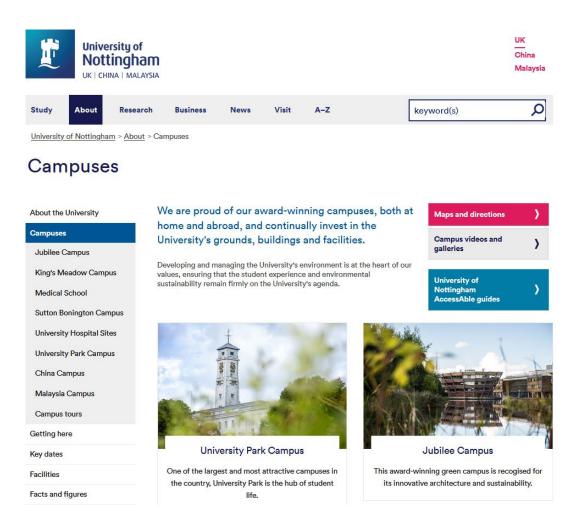




## **UK Campuses and Maps**

https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/about/campuses/campuses.aspx







#### Personal Tutor

- Your personal tutor(s)
  - Students on exchange (mobility from other campuses) are not assigned a tutor as they keep theirs in the home campus.
- Role of your personal tutor
  - First point of contact and source of advice for anything related to your studies
  - Oversees your academic progress (and write references)
- You should meet your personal tutor
  - At the start of every semester (at least)
  - Any time in between, if needed (send email first)



#### Covid Is Not Over Yet!

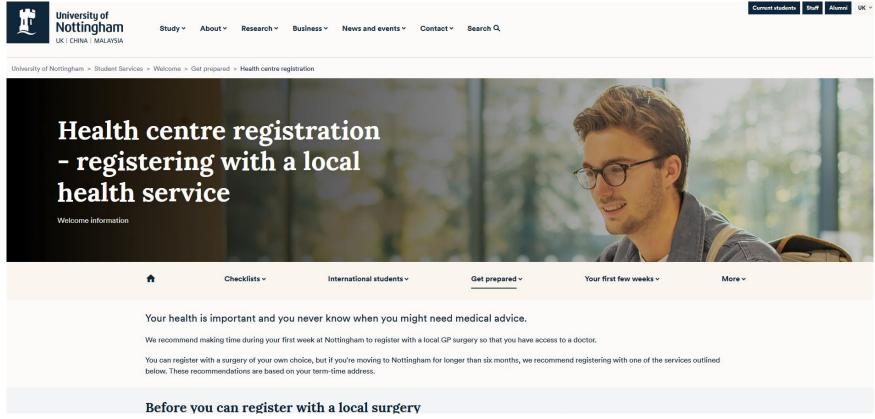
- There are some general rules you should follow
  - Be prepared
  - If positive, isolate
  - Inform your personal tutor





### Register with Doctor

https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/studentservices/welcome/get-prepared/health-centre-registration.aspx





### Labs and Flexible Student Spaces

#### Computer Science Building

- A32: Lab for teaching and self-study (needs to be vacated upon request)
- C60: Cyber Security Lab (for teaching only)
- A06/Pods: Flexible student spaces (useful for group project meetings)
- B53: Quiet study space (please only occupy if you require a quiet place)
- C11/B52: Smaller labs (mainly) for self-study

#### Dearing Building

A34: Lab for teaching and self-study (needs to be vacated upon request)



### **Group Projects**

- All students are spread across groups
  - You will be in a group with 5 or 6 UNUK students
  - You need to be a good team member
    - Contribute ideas
    - Contribute to discussions
    - Contribute code
    - Participate in presentations



#### Grades

- From now on all grades count for your final degree
- Required commitment is getting higher
- Likelihood of getting top grades is getting lower





### Learn English!

- Learn even MORE English! Lots MORE English!
  - Make the most of this chance to learn more
  - Staff have to rate your English speaking and writing in references
- Be brave with speaking English!
  - Most of my Ningbo group project students regret not being brave in group conversations
- Do not rely on Translators and/or Generative AI!



## **Interesting Facts**

• Great Britain vs United Kingdom vs British Isles









### What do you want to do after Graduation?

- Who do you ask to be your referee?
  - Your group supervisor knows you best during/after Y2
  - Your dissertation supervisor knows you best during/after Y3
  - Your personal tutor only knows you if you attend supervisor meetings
  - It is your responsibility to make sure they know you well enough
- Ask your referee before putting down their name! Give plenty of notice!
  - In the UK you are asked to provide the name of a referee, not the reference itself



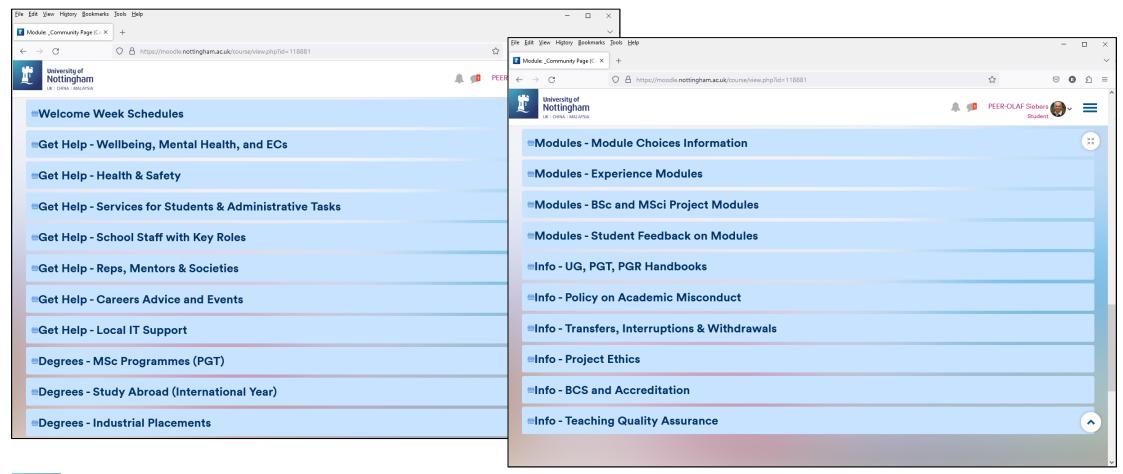
### Study and Job References

- Your personal tutor only knows you if you attend supervisor meetings
  - Providing grades and a CV is not enough
- Normal Questions in a Reference
  - Is the applicant in the top X% of their class?
  - Is the applicant good at spoken English?
  - Is the applicant good at written English?
  - Is the applicant independent and confident?
  - Does the applicant try hard and have a good attitude?



### Moodle CompSci Community Page

https://moodle.nottingham.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=118881

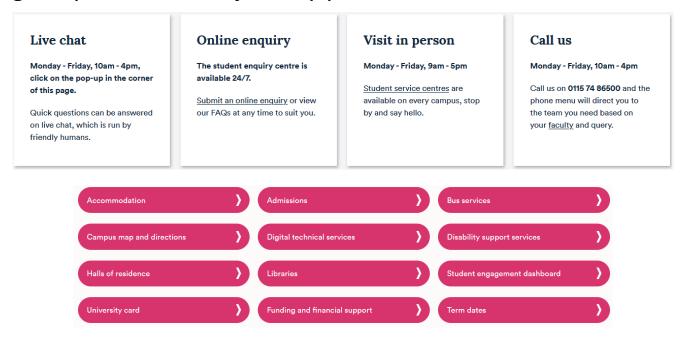




#### **Student Services**

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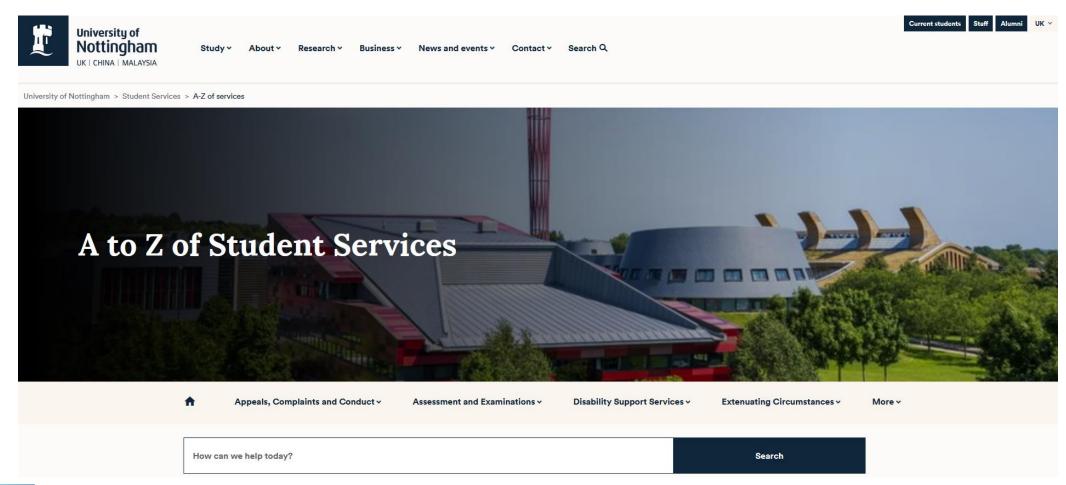
- Mission Statement
  - While you are studying with us at Nottingham, we want you to feel supported and connected
    to our specialist services to enable you to have the best possible university experience
    whatever stage of your academic journey you're at.





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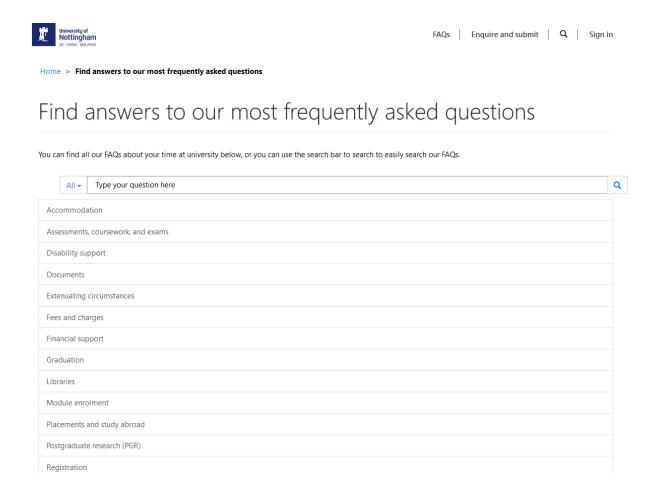
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## **Student Enquiries**

https://student-enquiries.nottingham.ac.uk/faqs/





#### Support and Wellbeing

https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/currentstudents/wellbeing/





https://mediaspace.nottingham.ac.uk/media/1 1sercupc



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## **Additional Support**

#### Senior Tutor

 Senior Tutor is responsible for coordinating personal tutoring and related student support and development activities in the school

#### CompSci Senior Tutor Team

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- Liz Felton

#### Contact

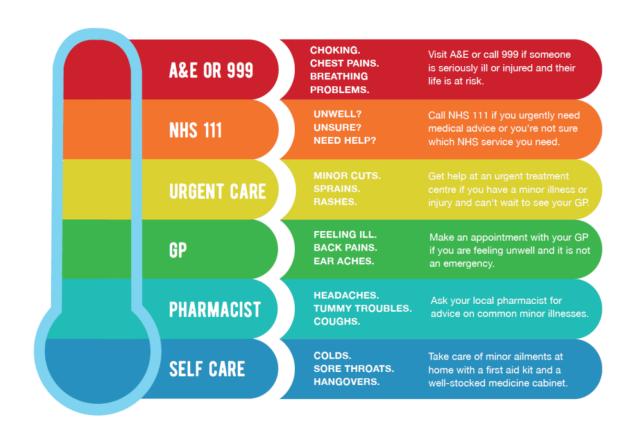
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## **Important Numbers**

#### Numbers to Remember on Campus

8888	Emergencies
0115 951 8888	Emergencies (mobile/external)
13013	Security (non-emergency)
13401	Health and Safety Department
	h&s@nottingham.ac.uk
0115 846 8888	Cripps Health Centre
16666	Estate Office Help Desk
0115 951 6666	Estate Office Help Desk (mobile/external)





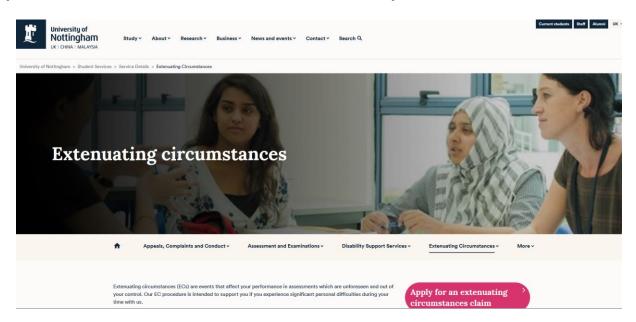
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#### **Extenuating Circumstances**

https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/StudentServices/Servicedetails/Extenuating-Circumstances/

• Extenuating Circumstances (ECs) are events that affect your performance in assessments which are unforeseen and out of your control. Our EC procedure is intended to support students with these exceptional, short-term circumstances



EC Policy Flowchart: https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/studentservices/documents/extenuating-circumstances/new-ec-policy-flowchart-1.pdf



#### **Extenuating Circumstances Procedure**

https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/studentservices/servicedetails/extenuating-circumstances/extenuating-circumstances-procedure.aspx

- Timeline for submitting an Extenuating Circumstance form
  - Coursework: Claims must be submitted before the coursework deadline
  - Timetabled examinations / assessments: Claims must be submitted prior to, or within five working days of, the examination / assessment
- Evidence should usually be provided at the time of making the extenuating circumstances claim but may be submitted up to 10 working days from the deadline/examination



## **Extenuating Circumstances Rules (Updates)**

https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/StudentServices/Servicedetails/Extenuating-Circumstances/

#### What you need to know

Important update – regulations on Extenuating Circumstances have changed for 2023/24. Make sure you read these before you consider applying:

Key changes:

First sits (a reassessment opportunity that you take as if it's for the first time):

- If a first sit is granted as an EC outcome, your initial submission will not be marked or marks voided even if you completed the first assessment.
- If first sits are not completed, a mark of zero will be recorded.
- If you are seeking a first sit for coursework, it is likely a long extension will be offered rather than a first sit.

For more details, see What is a First Sit?

#### Coursework extensions:

- Up to five working days could be claimed with no supporting evidence (some exclusions do apply so check on Moodle first).
- Check the flowchart for more info EC student information page.
- You will need to provide an acceptable reason in order to be eligible for a no evidence extension.

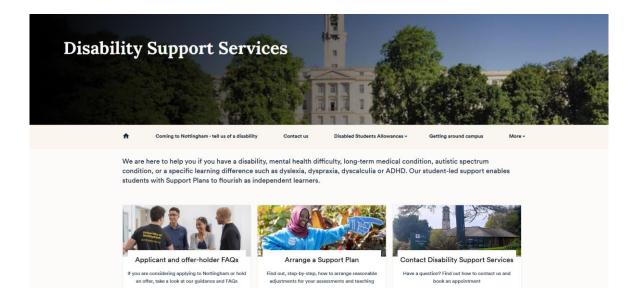
If the circumstance is not acceptable, your claim may be rejected. See 'What are acceptable circumstances for an EC claim' for more details.



#### **Disability Support Services**

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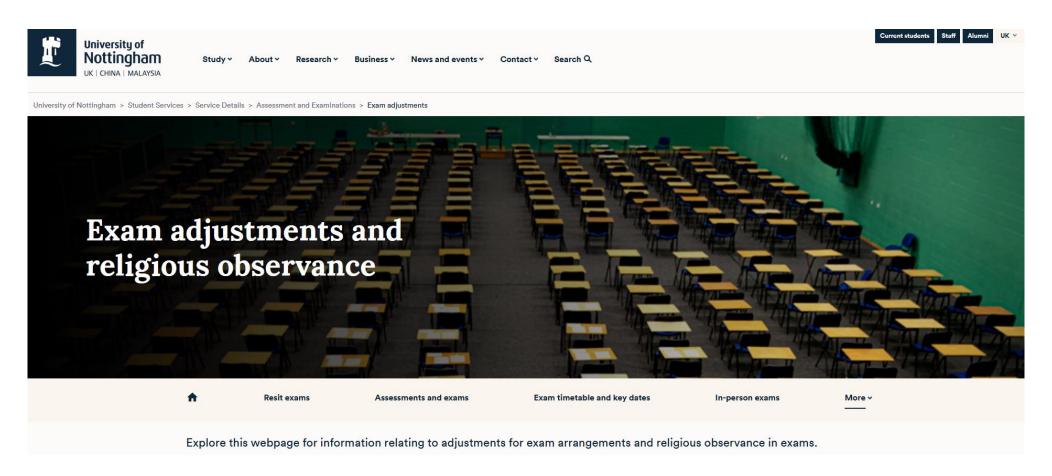
 Offers support for students with a disability, mental health difficulty, long-term medical condition, autistic spectrum condition, or a specific learning difference such as dyslexia, dyspraxia, dyscalculia or ADHD





### Exam Adjustments and Religious Observance

https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/StudentServices/Servicedetails/Assessment-and-Examinations/Exam-Adjustments.aspx





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## Third Year Projects (Dissertations)

- Project Coordinator
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• If you are a UNNC 2+2 or UNNC Transfer student and want to obtain your graduation certificate from Chinese Ministry of Education, then YOU MUST take the Individual Dissertation module, as this module is compulsory for you.



#### **QR Code Scanning**

https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/currentstudents/news/supporting-your-academic-engagement

Library and IT essentials

Exam Period

Study abroad

Students' Union

Your assessment results

Standards of behaviour

#### Supporting your academic engagement



Tuesday, 11 October 2022

Following a successful adoption of the Student Engagement Dashboard, the university will continue using it during the academic year ahead.

The <u>Student Engagement Dashboard</u> helps staff identify undergraduate and postgraduate taught students who may need additional support with their studies or more general wellbeing.

The dashboard captures your engagement in face-to-face teaching via QR codes displayed by the teaching staff during your lecture, seminar, tutorial, lab, etc. To log your attendance, open the camera (or QR reader app) on your phone, scan the QR code, and enter your username and password. If you are unable to capture your attendance, please speak to teaching staff who can enter the information on your behalf.

This information is then fed into the dashboard along with other data, such as that from Teams meetings, Moodle activity, and other digital tools activities, to provide key members of academic and support staff an overview of your academic engagement. The experience of both students and staff during 2021/22 has been reviewed and the engagement dashboard has been enhanced to include a view that your personal tutor can access.

The dashboard will be used to support your welfare and will not impact your grades or assessments. If we notice a significant change in your levels of academic engagement, your personal tutor, your academic unit or a member of the Support and Wellbeing team may reach out to you with an offer of support. There will be no judgement attached to such an offer – merely an offer of help if you need it.

If you are on a sponsored student visa the dashboard will also be used to support the monitoring requirements of UK Visas and Immigration.

You will be able to request a copy of the data we hold about you in the dashboard at any time. To





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## Anything Else?

- Staff usually reply to emails in 2-3 working days (but some might take longer)
- Student Evaluation of Module (SEM)
- Student Union (Societies and Advice)
- Discord
- HackSoc





#### **Final Words**

#### Risk

- It's easy to spend time with your friends from Ningbo
- If you do this too much, you miss opportunities arising from being in the UK

#### Advice

- Make most out of your time in UNUK
- Be part of the UNUK community
- Get to know staff well
- Show off how good you are



Enjoy your time with us in the UK



## Questions?



