**SEP Cheat Sheet UK**

As shared by your seniors in 2020

### ACADEMICS

**module & timetable planning**

- Read the module registration instructions carefully; some universities require international students to register for modules in-person.
- Take note of key dates for module registration; the period for module appeals or timetable swaps is usually in the first few weeks of the semester.
- Read the English Language requirements carefully; some universities require students to submit supporting documents to indicate their English Language proficiency.

### LIVING OVERSEAS

**housing & accommodation**

- Take note that London universities have campuses located across the city when selecting the location of your school accommodation.
- If you intend to stay off campus, arrive before the start of the semester to attend house viewings in-person and sign the contract.
- Securing on-campus accommodation is recommended to avoid the housing process and dealing with agents and rental fees.
- On-campus accommodation is not guaranteed; some universities only guarantee accommodation for full-year exchange students.

### GENERAL TIPS

**Make the most of your exchange**

- Join Facebook groups for international students to participate in student-organised social activities.
- Tutorials are a good opportunity to speak out and make friends with your fellow classmates.
- If staying on campus, make use of the opportunity to interact with local students living in the same accommodation.
- Take time to explore the city or town you live in; most students often get caught up travelling to new places.

### PRE-TRIP

**packing & planning**

- Pack warm but light; there are many charity shops in the UK which sell affordable winter clothing.
- Take note of luggage size restrictions if you plan on taking the Megabus from the airport.
- Asian cooking ingredients and food are readily available in shops and supermarkets.
- Apply for a Standard Visitor Visa if you are residing in the UK for less than six months.

**Pro tip: Download the International SOS app for the latest updates on safety and travel in your host country.**

For more useful tips, refer to the [SEP General Cheat Sheet](#).

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