

## ESSENTIAL ACTIVITIES FOR BIRMINGHAM FOUNDATION ACADEMY STUDENTS

### Welcome Week 2014 Birmingham Foundation Academy

#### ALL WEEK

Time	Activity	Location
09:00 – 16:00	<b>International Student Welcome Hub - ALL STUDENTS</b>  Provides a range of services to new students at the start of the academic year. These include: <i>right to study checks, ID cards, proof of registration letters and council tax information.</i> <b>ALL STUDENTS MUST ATTEND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO COMPLETE THEIR RIGHT TO STUDY CHECK</b>	Avon Room - University Centre (R23 on campus map)

#### Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September

Time	Activity	Location
09:30	<b>Registration – ALL STUDENTS</b>  Meet and greet staff and fellow students, pick up information packs and ask any questions you might have.	Poynting Large Lecture Theatre, Room S02 Physics Building, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
10:00 – 12:00	<b>Welcome Talks - ALL STUDENTS</b>  10:00 – Dr Steve Minchin welcomes new students to the University of Birmingham Welcome Week – Lorraine Gaytten IT Services – Andy Ferguson Library Services – Paula Ann Goodall Sport at University of Birmingham – Thysia Pater	Poynting Large Lecture Theatre, Room S02 Physics Building, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor

#### Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

Time	Activity	Location
13.30 – 14.45	<b>EPS Introduction – Engineering and Physical Sciences students ONLY</b>  (Lynne Long – Head of FY in EPS) Collection of Welcome Packs, Study Guides, Welfare and Support Information. Opportunity to meet key EPS staff involved in FY.	Physics West Lecture Theatre 117, first floor, Physics West

#### Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September

Time	Activity	Location
11:00	Medical, Life and Geosciences Students meet staff and have tour – <b>Medical, Life and Geosciences students ONLY</b>	Meet in Biosciences Entrance
11:00	Arts, Social Sciences, Business and Law students meet staff and have tour – <b>Arts, Social Sciences, Business and Law students ONLY</b>	Arts 201
14:00 – 16:00	<b>BFA Talk – ALL STUDENTS</b>  Dr Steve Minchin Police (20 mins) – PC Andy Smith Welfare – Dr David Smith Housing Talk – Charlotte Broughton Trips and activities – Lorraine Gaytten English – Hayley Maxwell Q&A EPS talk – Lynne Long	Lecture Theatre 2, Gisbert Kapp Building

#### Key:

**DROP IN EVENT** – This is entirely optional, although if it's a subject you might be interested in, it would be a good idea to go along. You can drop in at any time during the event.

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Saturday 20th September and Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September – repeated both days

Time	Activity	Location
13:00 – 14:00 repeated at 15:00 – 16:00	<b>Parents' Welcome Address - OPTIONAL</b> If your parents are with you, they may like to go to ONE of these four talks that are scheduled for Welcome Weekend. Students will be taken on a tour whilst parents attend the talk.	Great Hall Aston Webb Building

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

Time	Activity	Location
18:30 – 20:00	<b>International Welcome Reception OPTIONAL</b> A reception to welcome new international students. Non-alcoholic drinks will be served and students can socialise, make friends and get to know more about the university community. You must book tickets. Repeated on the 24 <sup>th</sup> and 25 <sup>th</sup> September. Register here: <a href="http://buytickets.at/isasuniversityofbirmingham/16538">http://buytickets.at/isasuniversityofbirmingham/16538</a>	Café Aroma – Staff House
11:00 – 16:00	<b>Fresher's Fair – DROP IN EVENT</b> Pick up amazing freebies and discounts from some of Birmingham's best restaurants and retailers.	Guild of Students, Underground Lawn

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September

Time	Activity	Location
10:00 – 16:00	<b>International Day DROP IN EVENT</b> Come along to the Welcome Marquee to find information, activities and events. Be aware this is a DROP IN EVENT, so just turn up at any time between 10:00 and 16:00 to join in the fun.	Welcome Marquee Near Old Joe (the big clock) in the centre of campus.
11:00 – 16:00	<b>Sports Fair DROP IN EVENT</b> Come along to the Sports Centre to see what sports	Munrow Sports Centre

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	you can get involved in! From table tennis to skiing, basketball to rock-climbing, it's all here! Be aware this is a DROP IN EVENT so just turn up at any time between 11:00 and 16:00 to see what is on offer for you.	Not far from the Library – check your maps!
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Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September

Time	Activity	Location
11:00 – 16:00	<b>Societies Fair DROP IN EVENT</b> Find out about the 200+ student groups at the Guild. Each fair features different student groups so make sure you visit on both days. This is a free, non-ticketed event; you can just turn up!	Marquee, Underground Lawn, Guild of Students
14:00 – 15:00	<b>Introduction to employability for international students OPTIONAL</b> What are employers looking for? Find out how you can assess your skills and stand out from the crowd. Book tickets here: <a href="https://bham.targetconnect.net/leap/events/">https://bham.targetconnect.net/leap/events/</a>	Rosa Parks Room, Guild of Students

There is so much more going on! Library tours, cream teas, pizza nights, poster sales, dinners, dancing, global café, cooking demonstrations and comedy nights, auditions for music and drama groups. There are even print-making and oil painting classes at the Barber Institute! There is something for everyone, just click on Welcome 2014 on the University website and get involved!

**Just remember that you need to book places for lots of the social events, so check the website.**