



# **International and EU Orientation Programme 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

The International Student Support team are very pleased to welcome you to the UK and to Staffordshire University. This Orientation Programme is designed to help you prepare for life in a new country, new cultures, and give you all the information you need to settle into Staffordshire University and Stoke-on-Trent. If you want to get in touch, please contact Tracy or Alison by email: [isa@staffs.ac.uk](mailto:isa@staffs.ac.uk) or telephone 00 44 (0) 1782 29 4711/4639

You can also find out more information about preparing for your arrival and arriving on our website: [International Welcome](#)

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## International Orientation

TIME	Activity	Room	Description of Activity
9.30am	Breakfast	Room 101, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Science Centre, Leek Road, Stoke	No better way to start the day than to join us for a light breakfast before your welcome programme starts. See you at 9.30am!
10.00am – 10.45am	<b>Welcome and First Steps: What you need to know</b>  <u><b>Compulsory for all students</b></u>	Room 101, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Science Centre, Leek Road, Stoke	<b>First Steps: What you need to know</b> The first session of the day is about providing you with the important information you need to know about for your first few days at University and an opportunity for you to ask our Welcome ambassadors any questions you may have.
11.00am – 12.00pm	<b>In the Mix: Socialising in the UK</b>	Room 101, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Science Centre, Leek Road, Stoke	<b>In The Mix: Socialising in the UK</b> Here at Staffordshire University we want to ensure you have the best student experience possible and make the most of your time whilst you are in the UK. Making friends is an important part of this process and our “In the Mix” session provides the perfect opportunity to start developing those friendship networks and for you to “Be Brilliant and Friendly”.
12.00pm – 1.00pm	<b>Your Students’ Union</b>  <u><b>Compulsory for all students</b></u>	Room 101, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Science Centre, Leek Road, Stoke	<b>Your Students’ Union</b> Find out what the Students’ Union is, who are your representatives and what they can do for you during your time at Staffordshire University.
1.00pm – 2.00pm	Lunch	Room 101, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Science Centre, Leek Road, Stoke	We will break for lunch during this time. Lunch will be provided.

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2.00pm – 3.15pm	<b>Staffs International Challenge</b>	<b>Room 101, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Science Centre, Leek Road, Stoke</b>	<b>Staffs International Challenge</b> Another important factor of surviving your first few days at University is to know your way around campus. Our International Challenge will allow you to do this but this is no standard ‘campus tour’ – this is a Staffs International Challenge – intrigued? Find out more on the day! This activity will take place outside so please do dress appropriately.
3.30pm – 4.30pm	<b>Next Steps: What I wished I had known</b>	<b>Room 101, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Science Centre, Leek Road, Stoke</b>	<b>Next Steps: What I wished I had known</b> So by this point, we hope that you will know what to expect over the next few days, starting to make friends, and have begun to find your way around campus. These are the basics to a great start to your student experience. Our ‘What I wished I had known’ session will be run by our Student ambassador team who will provide you with all their best tips and what they wished someone had told them when they started – so make sure you have a list of all your questions as we will have a questions and answer session at the end for all the bits we’ve missed.
6.00pm – 9.00pm	<b>Ten Pin Bowling (including snacks)</b> *drinks not included	<b>Festival Park, Stoke</b>  <b>Meet at the Sir Stanley Matthew’s Sports Centre at 5.30pm we will be back on campus by 9.30pm</b>  <b>**Booking required**</b> <a href="#">Booking link</a>	<b>Ten-Pin Bowling</b> Bowling at the local ten-pin bowling alley – an evening snack* and transport to and from campus is included – limited spaces – please let us know you’re coming by signing up for a space on the following <a href="#">link</a>  <b>*drinks not included</b>





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8.30am – 9.45am	<p><b>Face to Face Enrolment /Collection of your student card</b></p> <p><b>Document Registration</b></p> <p><b>Collection of Biometric Residence Permits</b></p> <p><b>**Booking required**</b></p> <p><a href="#">Booking Link</a></p>		<p>During this session you will be able to complete your Face to Face enrolment and receive your student ID Card. Please ensure you have completed your online enrolment prior to attending and check below so you know what documents to bring with you.</p> <p><b>Student with Tier 4 visas:</b> Please bring your passport, visa, proof of UK address, the certificates listed in your CAS and your UKVI acceptance letter (if you chose to collect your Biometric card from the University) to this session.</p> <p><b>Students with Short Term Study Visas:</b> Please bring your passport and proof of your UK address</p> <p><b>Students with other visa types:</b> Please bring your passport and visa</p> <p><b>EU students:</b> Bring two forms of ID to this session – one of which must be either your passport or birth certificate</p> <p>You will need to book a specific timeslot for this session which you can do by clicking the following <a href="#">link</a></p>
10.00am-12.00pm	<p><b>Student Services Workshop</b></p> <p><b><u>Compulsory</u></b></p>	<p><b>Room 101, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Science Centre, Leek Road, Stoke</b></p>	<p>Our Student Services team are here to answer all your questions related to studying at Staffordshire University and to help and guide you with any support you may require during your time with us. Come along to this Interactive session to find out more about the support available to you.</p>



12.00pm – 1.00pm	<p>Tier 4 Responsibilities</p> <p><b><u>Compulsory for all Tier 4 students</u></b></p>	Room 101, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Science Centre, Leek Road, Stoke	<p><b>Tier 4 Responsibilities</b></p> <p><b><u>Compulsory session</u></b> for all students studying in the UK on a Tier 4 student visa. You will receive important information about your Tier 4 visa and the conditions attached to it and the University's responsibilities as your sponsor. It is vital that you attend to avoid any delay with your enrolment.</p>
1.00pm – 2.00pm		Lunch Break	
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	2.00pm – 4.30pm	Guided Walk of the local area and supermarkets	Meet in the Student Hub, Science Centre, Leek Road, Stoke	<b>Tour of the City</b> The best way to get to know your new surroundings. This walk will include a tour of the City Centre, Hanley and the local supermarkets - comfortable shoes and warm clothing recommended.
	6.00pm to 8.30pm	Evening Welcome Meal	Pavilion Smokehouse, College Road campus, Stoke  <b>**Booking required**</b>  <a href="#">Booking link</a>	<b>Welcome Meal</b> The Perfect way to end the first few days at University is to come along and join us for a welcome meal in the Pavilion Smokehouse located on our College Road campus, Stoke. Free food and drink with plenty of chat, fun and laughter. To book a place for this event please click the following <a href="#">link</a> See you there!








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### Other Activities taking place

Date\Time	Activity	Location	Description of Activity
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2020 5pm	Celebration of the Chinese New Year Run by the One Staffs Café	Digital Kiln, 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Mellor Building, College Road, Stoke	Our One Staffs Café meets every Thursday from 5pm to 6.30pm in the Digital Kiln, 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Mellor Building. The idea behind the café is that we may all come from different cultures and communities but here at Staffs we are all one big community.  On the 23 <sup>rd</sup> January we will be celebrating the Chinese New Year. Come along and join us, food, games and entertainment provided.
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> February 2020	Day Trip to the City of Bath  Find out more about Bath:  	Depart Leek Road Campus (by Sir Stanley Matthews Sport Centre) at 7.30am Depart Bath at 5pm Cost - £15 per ticket	To book a ticket scan the code below:  