



Today

- Welcome to the school of Social and Political Science (SPS)
- Supporting your Studies
- What you need to do this week
- Q & A

WELCOME

A few words from our Head of School

You are joining a community of over approximately 1000 Postgraduate students with students from more than 89 countries. We are a diverse community covering a broad range of subjects



- As a Dignity and Rights respecting University community, **all forms of harassment, assault or abuse are not acceptable and taken seriously.**
- If someone **harms, hurts, or threatens to hurt you**, there is a **community behind you and with you!**
- ***It is never your fault.*** The person causing the harm or hurt is solely responsible.
- It can sometimes be difficult to reach out for support; **the Equally Safe team and Advice Place** work confidentially, except when we need to make sure someone is safe.



Got It? FRIES! A simple way to remember if you have consent for any kind of activity.

- FREELY GIVEN** ✓ No pressure, guilt, manipulation, control, abuse of power, nor while drunk or high
- REVERSIBLE** ✓ Can they change their mind? Yes! When? Anytime!
What to do? Always Check
- INFORMED** ✓ No tricks. Everyone knows what they are agreeing to
- ENTHUSIASTIC** ✓ It must be a yes! Not a 'maybe' or 'I guess so'
- SPECIFIC** ✓ Consenting to one thing doesn't mean yes to other things



Consent, Resources

Looking for Help?

Scan the QR codes to bookmark key contacts, including:

- **Report + Support:** confidential reporting and support platform
- **Equally Safe:** dedicated support for students
- **The Advice Place:** Student Association's support service



Whether you have previously done a course on consent or not, check out the new 'Consent On Campus' module



Supporting you in SPS

Programme Director Cohort Lead –

- Helps you feel part of your academic community

Student Adviser –

- Your first point of contact for support:

student.sps@ed.ac.uk

Their details are available in EUCLID (via [MyEd](#)).



QR Code and link to SPS Support and Advice

<https://edin.ac/3SXNTnE>

Supporting your academic study

- Course Organisers
- Lecturers
- Tutors
- Course Administrators

Be a Programme Representative!

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More ways we support you in SPS

- Academic & Professional Skills Workshops
- SSPS Edinburgh Awards & Certificates
- 1-1 skills coaching
- Social and Career Events & Activities
- Student Initiative Funding Opportunities
- Placement Based Dissertations

Keep an eye on your email for information and upcoming opportunities

Skills Development Hub

QR Code and link to SPS Skills Development Hub

<https://edin.ac/3Pkc6Eg>



**STUDENT
DEVELOPMENT
OFFICE**

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**SKILLS
EMPLOYABILITY**

Disability and Learning Support

Helps you get the right adjustments and resources to support your learning.

Contact early

<https://edin.ac/486tJRr>

And provide documentation

<https://edin.ac/46e65QJ>



QR Code and link to Disability and Learning Service

<https://edin.ac/47jrhoc>

University Health and Wellbeing services

There are range of other services available to support your physical and mental wellbeing:

- Wellbeing advisers
- Wellbeing services
- Health Services
- Student Counselling
- Chaplaincy
- The Advice Place



QR Code and link to Wellbeing Services
<https://edin.ac/30cLFnb>

What you must do this week

- Complete Matriculation – Visit the Chrystal MacMillan Building to confirm your attendance.
- Check your enrolment – you should be enrolled in **180 credits of courses**
- *Attend your Programme talk - check the app and your email. (some but not all are running this week)*

Missing Credits

If you are *missing credits (less than 180)*, visit our Course Enrolment Help Desk

Location:

Basement Chrystal MacMillan Building

Times :

Wed 10th – 10:00-12:00 PGT: those missing 180 credits

Thurs 11th - 14:00-16:00 PGT: those missing 180 credits

Course Changes

To make a change to your courses, please complete our form.



<https://edin.ac/3DyNK4b>

Other important tasks to be aware of

Complete ALL your six tasks

<https://edin.ac/33uefE6>



Look after yourself

<https://edin.ac/3JYESd2>



PGT Programme Handbook

- Key regulations for your programme
- Guidelines on communication and expectations
- Procedures you may need during your studies
- Information on support available within SPS



<https://edin.ac/41DPfZZ>

Pastries and Hot Drinks

- Today: pastries & hot drinks – CMB foyer (ground floor), straight after this talk
- Tue–Fri: breakfast pastries & hot drinks – CMB foyer, 8:30am until supplies last

Goodie Bags

- Wednesday 12:00 - 13:30 Seminar Room 1
- Thursday 13:00 – 15:00 Seminar Room 1
- Friday 10:00 – 16:00 Practice Suite

Explore campus –

- maps (<https://www.ed.ac.uk/maps>) *Or sign up for a Campus tour via events app*

Students' Association

- Sports Fair Monday (TODAY) 10:00 – 17:00
- Activities Fair Tuesday – Thursday 10:00 – 16:00
- Visit eusa.ed.ac.uk for more events and opportunities

- Read your University email regularly – it's our main way of keeping in touch
- Read the Postgraduate Taught Handbook
- Know your Student Adviser – your first point of contact for support
- Next steps – attend your Programme Meeting (check the UoE Events app and your email – very few this week)
- **Questions? - Pop along to reception in the Chrystal Macmillan Building.**

We wish you the very best of luck with your Masters!