



June 2024

Hello,

I am writing to let you know more about our plans for Autumn 2024. The new term commences with Freshers' events starting on **Monday 9 September**, followed by your start date on **Monday 16 September**. We're looking forward to welcoming you to Arts University Plymouth and can't wait to see you on campus.

Key information can be found below, and on our **Welcome Site: aup.ac.uk/welcome**, which contains everything you need to know to start studying here, including your timetable for 2024/25. We'll be updating it regularly with information on accommodation, finance and bursaries, key term dates, discovering Plymouth, online resources and links to our Students' Union.

To help you prepare for starting university in September with us, we've **included some useful materials on student life in Plymouth and key dates** to look out for. There is also a handy checklist for you to complete.

This year, we are very proud to have been awarded **University of the Year for South West England** at the Whatuni Student Choice Awards (WUSCAs) by our students. We were also crowned as Winner for South West England in three additional categories: **Lecturers & Teaching Quality, Facilities and Student Support.** The nominees and winners of these unique awards are based on reviews submitted by students from across the UK, and winners are judged by a panel made up of prospective and current university students.

We look forward to welcoming you on campus to meet staff and your fellow students in September, and will be in touch throughout the summer with further updates. If you have any questions at all please do not hesitate to contact us by emailing hello@aup.ac.uk, calling 01752 203434 or messaging us on WhatsApp 07722 744184.

Sincerely,

Dr Stephen Felmingham Pro-Vice Chancellor (Academic)

What to expect at Arts University Plymouth

Your timetable is likely to include a combination of on-campus studio practice, practical projects, experimentation and development of production work, technical workshops and online interactive lectures, seminars, small group tutorials, 1:1 tutorials, online crits, studio briefs and much more. In a typical week you will be allocated time on campus for practice based teaching, seminars, technical delivery, making and experimentation, as well as time for self initiated and self directed practice as part of our extended studio model. You will be able to book into our studios, IT Suites and baserooms to make work, as well as engage in Workshop Wednesdays and book technical support from our technical teams.

Your indicative timetable will be available on the Welcome Site on Friday 30 August. We will let you know when this goes live, so please keep an eye on your emails.

Access to our world-class spaces to make

Arts University Plymouth is internationally renowned for being home to **physical and digital working environments** that encompass some of the richest and most diverse ecosystems of materials, technologies, processes and practices available in an arts university.

When you start in September, you will have access to group teaching with academics and highly-skilled technical demonstrators within industry-standard workshop and studio spaces, alongside live video-based lectures, tutorials, one-to-one activities and integrated offline learning. Our main Tavistock Place campus is open six days a week (term time only), with bookable access (depending on availability) until 8pm Monday to Thursday, 6pm Friday and 2pm on Saturdays.

A close-knit community of creatives

Unlike many larger universities, where the arts faculty often competes with other unrelated courses, Arts University Plymouth offers a close-knit, specialised community where subject leaders and technicians know every student by name and can offer a personalised learning experience that works efficiently on campus and online.

Britain's Ocean City

Over the summer, look out for email updates and news from our community about studying in Britain's Ocean City as well as checking our regularly updated **Welcome Site** to get you ready for starting your degree.

If you have an enquiry about your application, any concerns over what next year may be like, no matter how small or large, or need support with arranging student finance or accommodation this autumn, please email hello@aup.ac.uk or message us on WhatsApp +44 (0)7722 744184.