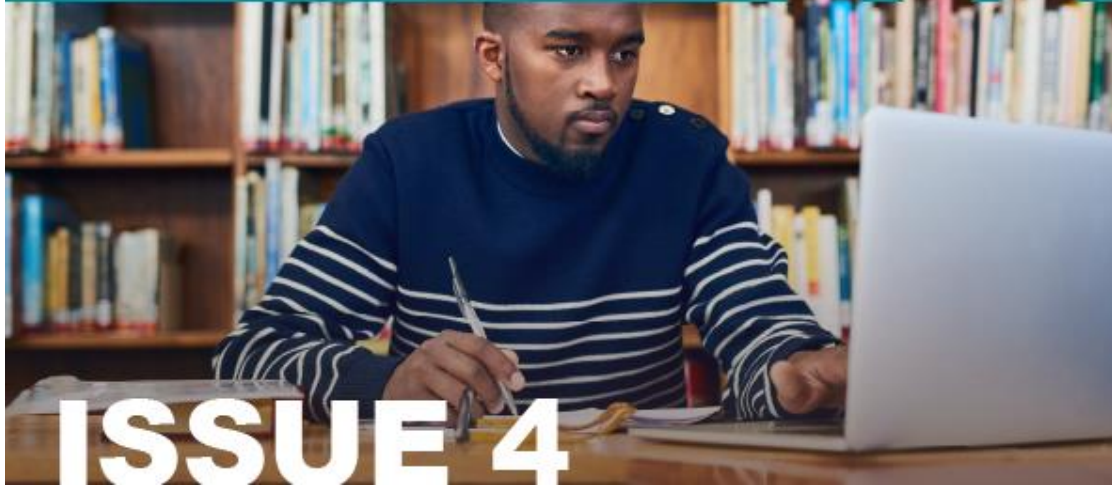


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Student life at UCL

GET TESTED IN JANUARY – As part of the UK national programme, UCL is offering all asymptomatic students coronavirus testing **from 4 January**. You should make sure you get this done when you arrive. [Find out more.](#)

ALL THE LATEST ON CORONAVIRUS - We're doing everything we can to make sure you can have a fully-rounded UCL experience while staying safe. For the most up-to-date information on everything related to coronavirus, including testing available to you, please check our [coronavirus information pages](#) regularly.

IMMIGRATION ADVICE - If you're a non-UK student, remember that UCL offers comprehensive advice on [immigration and visas](#).

Dear **`\${Contacts.First Name}`**,

For your fourth issue of the Countdown to UCL, we look at the ways to maximise your academic success, further support services available to you and the ways to get involved and make a difference to the UCL and wider community.



Academic Life

Whatever your programme, UCL offers a range of resources to help you excel academically. We highlight some of the key things to consider as you start out on your studies. Find out more about the support available from your personal tutor, the new online classroom and the useful resources to help with your digital study skills.



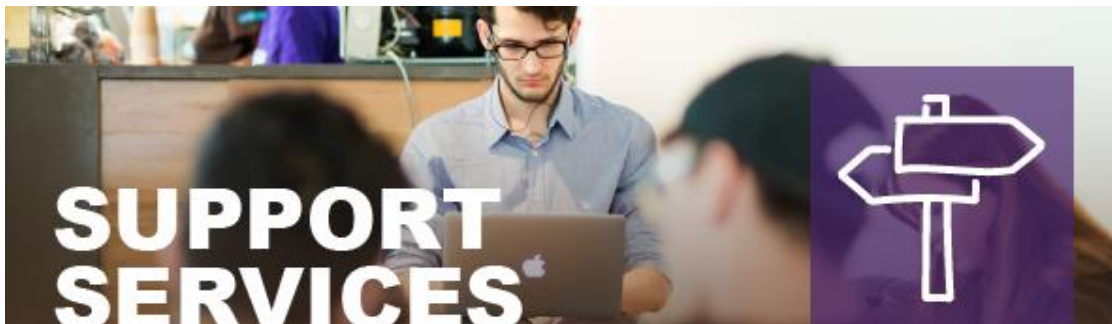
Connect and learn in the online classroom

Due to the unusual circumstances this year, you are likely to find yourself using video conferencing software for your studies. Here, we help you to **[optimise your online learning experience using these platforms](#)**.



[Mind the gap - digital skills at UCL](#)

Here at UCL, we use a wide variety of digital platforms to aid your learning. We understand this may seem daunting especially if you've not used them before, so we've put this article together to help you navigate our digital learning environment. [Find out more.](#)



[Support Services](#)

At UCL, we believe that your wellbeing is just as important as your studies and we care about all our students. Read these articles to find out more about the main support services available to you.



Introducing UCL Student Support and Wellbeing

In this article we introduce Student Support and Wellbeing (the team behind Countdown to UCL!) so that you're aware of all the various support services available to you. [Meet the team!](#)



Introducing askUCL, the student enquiries system

[askUCL](#) is UCL's online enquiries system for students, and is the best place for you to get the answers you need. [Ask away!](#)



Skills and Opportunities

As a new student at UCL, there are all kinds of extra-curricular opportunities to take advantage of. Read these articles to find out how you can make the most of your time outside the classroom and get involved.



Volunteering changed my time at UCL

Volunteering is a rewarding way to spend your time, develop your skills, expand your horizons and make a difference. Zayna, an undergraduate student at UCL, shares her volunteering story and how it shaped her UCL experience. [Read on.](#)



Sports for all

We've got something for everyone, whatever your sporting commitments. From one-off yoga sessions to regular training, we've got you covered. [Explore all your options!](#)



Welcome Guide

[Download the Welcome to UCL guide](#)

The Welcome to UCL app's '[Guide for New Students January 2021](#)' includes a range of handy features, in particular a full list of induction and welcome events over the coming weeks, so you'll have a comprehensive orientation schedule in the palm of your hand. Download on the App Store or Google Play today and be sure to enable notifications for regular updates!



Online Induction to UCL

[Online Induction part 4 - complete the Online Orientation for New Students](#)

We've created an online induction module to help you familiarise yourself with everything you'll need to know about life at UCL, before you start out. [Find out more!](#)

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