

COUNTDOWN TO UCL



SKILLS & OPPORTUNITIES

Make the most of your skills at UCL!



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WELCOME TO A NEW YEAR AT UCL - We're committed to making sure you can receive a world-class education and student experience in September, and that you can do so safely and with the flexibility you need. Check the **UCL Students website** regularly for all the latest on how we're doing this.

Are you planning your trip to London? We are here to support your safe arrival to the UK. Find out about our exclusive **flight booking portal for UCL students** in collaboration with Key Travel.

Dear **#{Contacts.First Name}**,

There is so much more to university life than just your academic studies. Of course your studies are important, but there are also many other ways to enrich yourself whilst at UCL. This is why for Countdown email number 12, we shine a light on **Skills and Opportunities**.

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.](#)



Support from day one of your UCL journey - students, join the Alumni Online Community!

Connect and learn from volunteer alumni mentors worldwide, through UCL's exclusive Alumni Online Community. **Find out** how you can start shaping your future.



UCL Culture - UCL museums, galleries and theatres

From art to animals, archaeology to performance, science and beyond, there's lots to explore on campus and online (and nearly everything is

free!) **This article** will reveal the world-class museums, galleries and theatres waiting to be explored in London.



Top three things you need to know about UCL careers

UCL Careers is the university's dedicated careers service. Even as a new student, you can access resources, opportunities and guidance now, to kick start life after your studies. **Find out more.**





UCL Student Covid-19 Recovery Competition

As a student at UCL you will have the chance to enter competitions throughout the year. Recently undergraduate students from the Division of Biosciences were part of the winning team in UCL Student Covid-19 Recovery competition with Covicycle. Covicycle is a scalable and sustainable solution to collecting, sterilizing and recycling public PPE waste. [Find out more.](#)



Biosciences Students win Hult Prize

In 2018 UCL undergraduate bioscience students won the prestigious \$1 million Hult Prize with Rice Inc. The Hult Prize, one of the world's most acclaimed entrepreneurship programs operates on more than 1500 university campuses in 121 countries, and has become a benchmark start-up challenge for social entrepreneurship. **Hear from the students who founded the social enterprise Rice Inc.** which provides high quality rice while aiming to have a positive impact on the life of farmers and the environment.



Online Induction Connected Learning

Your online induction - Connected learning

While social distancing continues there will be limited opportunities to offer face-to-face teaching and learning in its most familiar forms. The Connected Learning at UCL course, explores our approach to ensuring your online learning is active, collaborative, and enjoyable, and offers a practical opportunity for both new and returning students to experience an online course before the new term begins. **Get started!**



Welcome Guide September 2020

Download the Welcome to UCL app - Guide for New Students September 2020

The Welcome to UCL app's '**Guide for New Students September 2020**' includes a range of handy features, like the full list of induction and welcome events we're adding 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!



Welcome to UCL Support Services Event

Attend the Welcome to UCL Support Services event

Students' Union UCL will be welcoming all new students and introducing Student Support and Wellbeing, Library Services, Security, Alumni Relations, Careers, and the Information Services Division (ISD). These talks are for all students, at all levels of study. **Book on via the Welcome to UCL app.**

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