Email to Undergraduate Students in CHSS, CSE and CMVM, 28 Feb 2013

Student Support – Quick Update

As you may have heard, the University is developing new initiatives and services to help you get the most out of your time here. I am writing to update you on some of the main developments.

Personal Tutors

The new Personal Tutor (PT) system has been rolled out to all Undergraduates, and all Schools now have dedicated Student Support Teams that can provide advice and help on academic and pastoral issues. General information on PTs is available at: www.ed.ac.uk/staff-students/students/studies/undergraduate/tutor

Student Information Points

Another recent development is the creation of the Student Information Points (or SIPs). The SIP team are there to help you if you have questions about where to go for support or advice. They are contactable in several ways, including by text message. Find out more: www.ed.ac.uk/students/info-points

Innovative Learning Week

As you will be aware, over two hundred experiential learning events and activities took place last week. Our team of student bloggers and photographers covered as many as they could, with some excellent results:

Student Blog - http://ilwuofe.wordpress.com/
Flickr Photostream - http://www.flickr.com/photos/ilw2013/page1/

Other developments

The University is working with EUSA towards the overall aim of ensuring that all full-time undergraduate students on campus will have access to peer support through forms such as Academic Mentoring and Families, Befriending, Peer Assisted Learning, House Systems and much more (see http://www.eusa.ed.ac.uk/peersupport). We are also working on enhancing induction and pre-arrival activities for new students.

Questions?

We are keen to receive any comments or feedback you may have. Your responses to the current student surveys will help shape future work in this area. However please feel free to get in touch with us at any point in the year at essproject@exseed.ed.ac.uk.

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