

YOUR MISSION
WHAT SUPPORT CAN
I GET IF I AM (OR HAVE
EVER BEEN) IN CARE?

THE BIG
Q&A

UCAS **DISCOVERY** **UK TOUR**

FIVE QUESTIONS TO GET YOU STARTED AT UCAS/DISCOVERY:

- ▶ Is there a named contact for care-experienced students in the support team? Can you give me their details so I can contact them with any questions or get more information?
- ▶ Does the university or college offer a bursary or other financial support for people from a care background? If so, where can I get more information about eligibility criteria?
- ▶ Is there any support with accommodation for care-experienced students? If so what type of help is available? (e.g. 365-day accommodation, help with guarantors, priority access to university accommodation)?
- ▶ Are there any outreach activities or programmes I could participate in – either specifically for care-experienced students or otherwise?
- ▶ What support is available to help me manage my mental health and wellbeing at university or college?

TIP:

If you are currently in care, check your Local Authority's 'local offer' and ask them about the care leavers' bursary.

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WHAT SUPPORT CAN
I GET IF I HAVE CARING
RESPONSIBILITIES?

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UCAS DISCOVERY UK TOUR

FIVE QUESTIONS TO GET YOU STARTED AT UCAS/DISCOVERY:

- ▶ Is there a named contact for carers in the support team?
Can you give me their details so I can contact them with any questions or get more information?
- ▶ Does the university or college offer a bursary or other financial support to students with caring responsibilities? If so, where can I get more information?
- ▶ Does this university or college take caring responsibilities into account when setting the conditions of an offer?
- ▶ Are there any outreach activities or programmes I could participate in – either specifically for carers or otherwise?
- ▶ What support is available to help me manage my mental health and wellbeing at university or college?

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YOUR MISSION
WHAT SUPPORT CAN I GET
IF I AM ESTRANGED FROM
(NOT SUPPORTED BY)
BOTH OF MY PARENTS?

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UCAS **DISCOVERY** **UK TOUR**

FIVE QUESTIONS TO GET YOU STARTED AT UCAS/DISCOVERY:

- ▶ Is there a named contact for estranged students in the support team? Can you give me their details so I can contact them with any questions or get more information?
- ▶ Does the university or college offer a bursary or other financial support for students who are estranged from their parents? If so, where can I get more information?
- ▶ Is there any support with accommodation for estranged students? If so what type of help is available? (e.g. 365-day accommodation, help with guarantors and deposits, help with extra costs)?
- ▶ Does this university or college take estrangement into account when setting the conditions of an offer?
- ▶ What support is available to help me manage my mental health and wellbeing at university or college?

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**WHAT SUPPORT CAN I
GET IF I AM A REFUGEE OR
ASYLUM SEEKER, OR IF I
HAVE LIMITED LEAVE TO
REMAIN IN THE UK?**

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UCAS DISCOVERY UK TOUR

FOUR QUESTIONS TO GET YOU STARTED AT UCAS/DISCOVERY:

- ▶ Is there a named contact for refugee or asylum seeker students in the support team? Can you give me their details so I can contact them with any questions or get more information?
- ▶ Does the university or college offer a scholarship scheme to help students with my immigration status (e.g. through the Universities of Sanctuary scheme)? If so, where can I get more information?
- ▶ Are there any pre-arrival events or courses available to help me familiarise myself with higher education in the UK or to boost my study skills in preparation for the start of my course?
- ▶ Are there any outreach activities or programmes I could participate in – either specifically for refugee or asylum seeker students or otherwise?

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YOUR MISSION
WHAT SUPPORT CAN I
GET IF I AM FROM A UK
ARMED FORCES FAMILY?

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FIVE QUESTIONS TO GET YOU STARTED AT UCAS/DISCOVERY:

- ▶ Is there a named contact for students from UK Armed Forces families in the support team? Can you give me their details so I can contact them with any questions or get more information?
- ▶ What clubs, societies or other social opportunities are available to help me get to know new people and make friends? Is there anything specifically available for those from UK Armed Forces backgrounds?
- ▶ Are there any pre-arrival events or courses available to help me boost my study skills or fill any knowledge gaps in preparation for the start of my course?
- ▶ Are there any outreach activities or programmes I could participate in – either specifically for students from Service families or otherwise?
- ▶ What support could I get with managing my mental health and wellbeing while at university or college?

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WHAT SUPPORT CAN I GET IF I AM DISABLED (INCLUDING LEARNING DIFFERENCE, NEURODIVERSITY, MENTAL HEALTH CONDITION AND LONG-TERM HEALTH CONDITION)?

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UCAS DISCOVERY UK TOUR

FIVE QUESTIONS TO GET YOU STARTED AT UCAS/DISCOVERY:

- ▶ Is there a disability adviser in the student support team I could contact with any questions, or to find out more information about support for my disability or condition?
- ▶ Would I be able to speak to the course tutor before applying to find out more about the teaching and assessment methods and discuss my individual support needs?
- ▶ Are there disabled student representatives or peer support groups that I could contact about their experiences of being a disabled student at this university or college?
- ▶ If I share details about my disability or condition in the UCAS application, will the university or college contact me for more information or should I contact them myself?
- ▶ Are there any pre-arrival events or courses available to help familiarise myself with the campus, the teaching, or my surroundings?



**YOUR MISSION
WHAT SUPPORT CAN
I GET WITH MANAGING
MY MENTAL HEALTH AND
WELLBEING AT UNIVERSITY?**

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UCAS DISCOVERY UK TOUR

FIVE QUESTIONS TO GET YOU STARTED AT UCAS/DISCOVERY:

- ▶ Is there a mental health adviser, disability adviser or support team I could contact with any questions, or to find out more information about support?
- ▶ What support could I get with managing my mental health and wellbeing while at university or college?
- ▶ Are there student representatives or peer support groups that I could contact about their experiences of mental health and wellbeing support at this university or college?
- ▶ If I share details about a mental health condition in the UCAS application, will the university or college contact me for more information or should I contact them myself?
- ▶ Would I be able to speak to the course tutor before applying to find out more about the teaching and assessment methods and discuss my individual support needs?

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