

July 2024

Hello,

I am writing to let you know more about our plans for Autumn 2024. The new term commences with Freshers' events for all levels of study, including events for international students, mature students and more, starting on **Monday 9 September**. Your course will then begin on **Monday 23 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](http://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 a useful poster on student life in Plymouth** with helpful tips on where to eat, visit and explore.

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](mailto: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, 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.

Certain unit titles and their content have changed this year including unit 701 - Practice-led Research Methods, 702 - Creative and Critical Development and 703 - Independent Final Project. Unit 701 provides a means for students to put their research into action through their chosen selection of small units of learning that expand their knowledge and understanding of their respective subject.

**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 widely regarded as a catalyst for individual, societal and ecological transformation, continually striving to deliver innovative and distinctive learning, teaching and research through a unique interdisciplinary ecosystem of materials, processes, technologies and knowledge exchange. All of this is wrapped within a city that is brimming with creative confidence and cultural opportunities, nestled between the wild beauty of the Atlantic Ocean and Dartmoor.

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) from 8:30am until 8pm Monday to Thursday, 6pm Friday and 2pm on Saturdays. Outside of term time, the campus is open 8:30 until 6pm, Monday to Friday.**

## **A close-knit community of creatives**

Our Postgraduate Centre is home to a cross-disciplinary community of makers and thinkers, all of whom are seeking a critical space in which to interrogate and push the boundaries of their specialist interests and working practices. Your learning will be supported by our team of academics, technical demonstrators and invited experts who together deliver excellence in teaching.

Collaborating with students, staff and stakeholders, Arts University Plymouth is setting a future vision based upon solution-focussed teaching and research, sustainable growth, and a commitment to impactful social justice and ecological change through people, culture and place.

## **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](mailto:hello@aup.ac.uk) or message us on WhatsApp +44 (0)7722 744184.**