

# HOW CAN I USE FEEDBACK TO IMPROVE MY GRADES?



## GET HELP

Go and see your tutor for feedback. Discuss your assignments with other students, swap past essays and written feedback (this is not 'copying'). Giving and receiving feedback with other students is a valuable skill and will help to improve your work and your employability.

## PLAN FOR IT

Be organised – if you want feedback for your next assignment (from tutors or students) don't leave it until the last minute. Prepare a few questions you want to ask before seeing your tutor. Think about what you want feedback on eg structure, analysis, referencing.

## KEEP IT

Re-read past feedback before starting the next assignment. Identify any recurring strengths or weaknesses. Remember feedback from one module can help you with others.

## SPOT IT

Feedback isn't just written comments on essays. Verbal, email, audio, peer and self-generated feedback are equally important. Think about when and where you can get feedback – seminars, tutorials, before/after a lecture, workshops via email, phone, other students, yourself.

## FEED IT FORWARD

Feedback is not a full stop. Use the advice given on past work to develop an action plan to improve future work. Feedback should give advice on how to improve in future. If you are unsure how to improve, discussing feedback with peers or tutors will help.