

Questions asked during the Undergraduate Welcome Session 29 September 2020

You can find the recording of this session on this webpage:

<https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/economics/current/ug/induction/induction-videos>

The rest of your welcome week timetable can be found here:

<https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/economics/current/ug/induction/induction-timetable>

Elizabeth Jones has answered the questions you asked during the Welcome Session:

- My current lecture timetable is not yet showing on tabula. Is that an error?

Your lecture timetable will appear on tabula over the coming days, so don't worry if you can't yet see it. Any live lectures for your core modules will appear first. Your live lectures for your optional modules will not appear on there until you have chosen and registered for your optional modules. Your class times will then appear once you have signed up for them.

- When will my personal tutor show on tabula?

Students are being allocated to personal tutors during Welcome Week. You should be able to see who your personal tutor is by the end of Welcome Week or the start of Week 1.

- Will we be able to ask questions during the pre-recorded lectures?

You will not be able to ask questions during the pre-recorded lectures, as they will have been recorded in advance. Many modules will use Forums where students can post questions on the pre-recorded content and these questions may be answered on the Forum or may be discussed during the Live lecture. During live lectures, it may be that lecturers will answer questions. During classes, they will be interactive and you will be encouraged to engage with the tutor and your peers.

- How can we choose between the different support/feedback classes?

When deciding on your class time, you should look at your lecture timetable and consider the class times of the modules you are taking. You need to ensure that you don't have any clashes between your lectures and your class times across all of your modules throughout the whole year.

You might want to think about spacing your lectures and classes to suit you – perhaps you study better in the morning or the afternoon, so may consider that. You might also want to think about giving yourself sufficient breaks between lectures and classes. You should also look at whether the class is solely online or a mixture of online and face to face learning. Everyone's preferences about their timetable will be different, so try to build a timetable that works for you.

- Are there any maths support classes for those who haven't done Further Maths?

There is no requirement for you to have studied Further Maths and the quantitative modules do not assume that students have studied it. EPAIS students do not need maths A Level or equivalent. There will be online Maths and Stats drop in sessions each week of term and you can use these if you do want any additional help.

- Which textbooks must we purchase for the course and when do we need to buy them for?

During your first lectures for each module, you will be told any textbooks that you need to or are encouraged to buy. You can also find reading lists on module webpages:

<https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/economics/current/ug/modules>

- How do we access Tabula?

You can access tabula here: <https://tabula.warwick.ac.uk>

Please also see the pre-recorded video on Key Websites, as this also takes you into tabula.

- When will the university issue our university ID cards?

Students will receive their card with their accommodation keys. If they were unable to collect it, or live in off-campus accommodation, they can collect from the Student Reception in Senate House.

- When will the optional module registration open?

Optional module registration will open on Thursday 1 October 2020.

- What is the difference between a class and a lecture?

In the live induction event, I explained that lectures are attended (online this year) by all students studying the module. It will be when the lecturer delivers the key module content to all students. Some lectures will contain between 300 and 700 students. Much of the lecture content this year will be pre-recorded and available on the Moodle pages of your modules. This will be explained to you in the first lecture. You can find out more about the Moodle pages in the Key websites video I produced.

<https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/economics/current/ug/induction/induction-videos>

Some modules will also have live lectures, which still take place online, but they are timetabled. These events will take different formats, but are still being delivered to the whole cohort of students on the module. Some of them may have an opportunity for questions to be asked, but others will be where a lecturer goes through particular concepts or applications or perhaps answers questions posted on the forum for the module that have been asked based on the pre-recorded content.

Classes are small group events. The size will normally be between 15 and 20 students. This year some classes will be solely online, but others will be a mixture of some online and some face to face teaching. All of them will be live and so are timetabled. You will work through material set by your lecturer with a class tutor and your peers. This will often involve solving problem set questions, discussing your work in smaller groups and feeding back to the rest of your class. These will be interactive sessions.

- Can we try out an optional module before we choose it?

I will provide information about optional modules in the Module Information Session that takes place on Wednesday 30th September from 11am. There will also be a pre-recorded video that explains other aspects of module choices. But, yes you are able to try out different optional modules before you decide on which ones to take. You must register your module choices by the end of week 3, so you have until that time to 'shop around' and look at the different websites, view any pre-recorded content so you can get the flavour of the module before making your decision.

- Where can we find the link to the moodle page for each module?

If you go onto the Department website and click on modules (I take you through this in the pre-recorded video on Key Websites), you get to this page:

<https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/economics/current/ug/modules>

If you then click on Year 1 modules, you will see a list of all the Economics year 1 modules. Click onto any module and down the left hand side of the page, you will see a menu and one of the links will say 'Moodle'. Click onto that and you will be taken to that department's Moodle page, which is where all content for that module will be made available.

You can find Elizabeth's video about key websites here:

<https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/economics/current/ug/induction/induction-videos>

- Will everything be online until classes start in week 3?

Yes, everything will be online until classes start in week 3.

- How do I nominate myself for the Student-Staff Liaison Committee Elections to become a student representative?

You can nominate yourself via the Student Union webpage here:

<https://www.warwicksu.com/news/article/warwicksu/Autumn-Elections-nominations-now-open-2020/>

(Nominations close on 16 November 2020)