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Dear Returning Student

Welcome back to University, I hope you enjoyed your summer and are settling into your studies. This is a very short note with some reminders for what you might look out for in Term 1.

1. Timetabling and Module Allocation

First, though, you will all be aware there have been some delays in timetabling and module allocation. The Team are working through those difficulties, and I hope for most of you, your timetable is taking shape.

If you have made specific enquiries of me or of the Undergraduate Team, and you have not yet got a response, please be assured we are working through them. In terms of Module Allocation, I have to advise there is very limited scope for changes at this stage, except where there are clashes or timetabling mistakes.

You have been extraordinarily patient, and we are grateful for it. Our apologies for any disruption to your return to studies.

2. Skills Workshops

We will be running workshops in Good Academic Practise and OSCOLA referencing closer to your submission dates. If you have ideas for any other subjects for skills workshops, let the Student Experience team know, or raise it with your SLCC representative. We will try our best to accommodate.

3. Aiming for a First Workshop

I ran an 'Aiming for a First' workshop on 2nd October 2024; the slides are attached [here](#). I have been approached by a few later years students who missed the communications on this and wished to attend. I would be happy to rerun it if there is interest from later years so drop me a line on the DUG Padlet below if you would like to attend.

4. Personal Tutor Meetings

You are required to meet with your Personal Tutor before the end of Week 5. By now you should have heard from them, but if not, do get in touch and set up the meeting yourself.

5. DUG research

Attendance

Dr Daniel Lowe, the Deputy Director of Undergraduate Studies will be conducting research this year to find out what motivates students to attend their classes and what barriers they might face in doing so. There will be a survey this term and workshops next term. Invites will go out later this term for workshops in the New Year. Look out for more details, and feel free to register an interest on the DUG Padlet.

Seminar-Led Teaching

We have been using Seminar-led teaching for First Year modules for five years now. This year we want to find out how you felt about the experience. I will invite interested students to workshops later this term. Again, if you are interested in a free lunch and a chat, register your interest on the Padlet below.

6. Annual Black History Month Public Lecture. Thursday 24 October 2024.

Professor Gary Younge will deliver this year's lecture titled '**The man who photobombed De Gaulle**'. Those in the know will register quickly, Gary Younge is a very popular public intellectual and tickets will go fast.

Please use this link to register to attend <https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/law/events/bhm24/>

7. Stay in touch

If you do have questions or concerns about any aspect of University life, remember the DUG and Deputy DUG are here to help. Our official role is to oversee your academic development, but we can also signpost you to other services if necessary. You can email us at law.dugs@warwick.ac.uk at any time.

My office is S1.07 – the first floor of the Law School, just to the right of the stairs. My office hours are:

11.30am – 1pm Tuesday (Term-time) and

3.30pm -4.30pm Thursday (Term-Time)

Either Daniel or I will be joining the Law School Student Experience staff at 10.30am in the Student Hub for a drop-in session for the next couple of weeks. If it proves popular this will continue through Term 1. Do come and say hello and bring any questions or conundrums to us. We will try to help.

8. Questions and Queries

If you wish to ask questions or comment on any of these issues, or indeed any UG issue, then use the Padlet below. Either Daniel or myself will respond within 24 hours.

- [**Intermediate Years and Finalists Padlet**](#)

I look forward to seeing you over the coming months.

Best wishes,

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