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Dear Student

I hope you are settling back into your studies after your break - its to see you all on Campus. Please read the following briefing carefully - there are some important issues and events coming up. This week's note covers:

- **1. Feedback on Modules**
- **2. Personal Tutor Meetings**
- **3. Supervised Projects**
- **4. Careers Events**
- **5. Extensions and Mitigating Circumstances**
- **6. DUG drop ins**

### **1. Feedback**

Currently the only system we have in place for collecting feedback on your Modules is through the Module pages. Feedback sheets are accessible by clicking on the Moodle Banner for each Module, and then navigating to Feedback through the button on the Module page. If you haven't already done so, please leave feedback on your Term One experiences for your tutors. We will be reviewing all feedback and asking again at the mid-term point.

We think we can do better, however. This term we want to look again at how we collect feedback from students and how we track our responses to it. It is an important issue and we will be consulting with the Student Liaison Committee later in Term 2 to find out what the student body would like to see from a feedback system. If you have views, let your Student Reps know, drop us a line on the DUGS email, or use the Padlets below.

### **2. Personal Tutor Meetings**

You are required to meet with your Personal Tutor in Term Two, before the end of week five. You should expect your Personal Tutor to contact you, but you can also reach out and make contact if you wish to hurry your meeting along.

### **3. Supervised Projects – 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Students**

By now you should all be aware that of the supervised project you must complete as a core module next year. Information sessions about the supervised project module took place this week, with a further session in Week 5 scheduled for proposal writing. You will be able to choose either a:

- Classic Dissertation; or
- Policy Report; or
- Alternative Judgment; or
- Dramatized Dissertation; or
- Investigative Journalism.

It is really important that you engage now with the project team as you must submit your project proposal at the beginning of Term 3. Start thinking now about which stream you would like to choose, the topic you wish to explore and your reason for choosing it. Watch out for further information and briefing from Professor Harrison and Dr Lammasniemi throughout Term 2. I will remind you again about the next workshop in Week 4.

#### 4. Careers

There are some fantastic events coming up with the careers service in January.

Closest to my heart is the **Social Justice(Mini) Careers Fair, taking place on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024**. were you can find out about career options in sustainability, international development, social justice and more. The careers fair will host employers from the public sector, charities and the development sector. Later in the day Zoe Leventhal, KC, a leading human rights and environmental law Barrister will deliver the keynote speech. Zoe will be explaining why now is the time to put humanity first – and how to go about being the change you want to see.

Details of this and all forthcoming careers events are available [here](#)

Think the only way to settle a case is in Court? In fact, mediation is used more and more to settle disputes amicably(and cheaply) in many areas of law. To find out more, come along to the online **Introduction to Mediation** workshop to be held from 2.00pm-4.00pm on Monday 22nd January 2024 on Microsoft Teams. You'll discover the basics of mediation principles and practice in the first of two workshop run by professional commercial and family law mediators. Students who attend both sessions will be awarded a certificate of participation – something very attractive to future employers.

Spaces are limited, and so attendance will be based on registration by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January at 5.00pm. If you are interested, get more information and register on this [link](#).

#### 5. Extensions and Mitigating Circumstances

We received a very high number of late applications for extensions to the deadlines for Term Two assessments. I can assure you every submission received individual attention. For information, we cannot allow extensions for more than 10 working days, unless there are severe extenuating circumstances. However, an extension does not mean you automatically get 10 extra working days, the extension is granted only for the time your preparations have been affected. Before the Term Two Assessments I will circulate more detailed guidance on applying for extensions and the criteria used when granting them.

#### 6. DUG drop ins

You can drop in and discuss any of these matters or indeed, anything else Wednesdays 10-11am. This term the drop ins will be in my office, S1.07, at the law school. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to use the DUG Padlets below.

[First years Padlet](#)

[Intermediate Years and Finalists Padlet](#)

**10-11am Fridays (online)** - Please feel free to drop me a line on email to arrange a chat on Teams.

Best wishes,

Maggie and Daniel