

1-3 SEPTEMBER

PROGRAMME TIMETABLE

**GET READY FOR
SUCCESS**

This three-day programme will provide you with a head start at Heriot-Watt University. We are so excited to welcome you to Heriot-Watt!

The programme for the three days is detailed below. The events will take place in various locations around the university, and our Student Ambassadors will keep you on track and make sure you are in the correct place.

Make sure to check out the [Get Ready for Success Canvas page](#)!

The [GRfS Canvas page](#) contains all the essential information of the programme, including your group, the timetable, and other useful resources.

Do you have any questions?

There will be a Your Questions Answered session at the end of each day, where you will have the opportunity to ask the staff and helpers anything. If you would rather submit your questions by email, please do so at studentsuccess@hw.ac.uk.

Remember, there is no such thing as a silly question!

Let us know what you think!

Please fill out our [feedback form](#) to share your thoughts on the event.

Tuesday 1st September

Time	Event	Content	Location
9.00-9.30	Registration	Register & pick up document pack	Sunken Lounge outside Lecture Theatres 2 and 3 <u>Hugh Nisbet Building</u>
9.30-10.00	Welcome	Welcome, programme outline, introductions	Lecture Theatre 1 <u>Hugh Nisbet Building</u>
10.00-11.00	What Can I Expect from University?	An opportunity to start to find out about what University will be like	Group 1: David Brewster 1.15 Group 2: Scott Russell 1.12 Group 3: Scott Russell 1.14 Group 4: Scott Russell 2.14
11.00-11.30	Real Student Stories	Hear from current students and what they wish they'd known when they started! There will be time for you to ask questions.	Group 1: David Brewster 1.15 Group 2: Scott Russell 1.12 Group 3: Scott Russell 1.14 Group 4: Scott Russell 2.14
11.30-13.00	Student Card Collection and Lunch	<u>Groups 1 & 2</u> Lunch 11.30 to 12.15 ID check and Card Collection 12.15 to 13.00 <u>Groups 3 & 4</u> ID check and Card Collection 11.30 to 12.15 Lunch 12.15 to 13.00	Student Service Centre & Catering Outlets
13.00-13.30	Getting Connected @HWU	Introduction to essential HWU IT systems including your Portal, Canvas and timetables.	Lecture Theatre 1
13.30-14.30	Campus Tour	A campus tour will be led by our current students.	
14.30-15.30	Time Management & Study Strategies	Overview of different study and time management strategies	Lecture Theatre 1
15.30-15.45	Your Questions Answered	No such thing as a silly question!	Lecture Theatre 1

Wednesday 2nd September

Time	Event	Content	Location
10.00-10.45	Essential Guide to Success for New Students	Our panel will discuss how to make the most of our first year at university and present some of the support available!	Lecture Theatre 1
10.45-11.45	Academic Writing: What is it and why does it matter?	An exploration of what lecturers want in academic writing and what will get marks	Lecture Theatre 1
11.45-12.30	Referencing and Using Sources	Referencing is a very important part of academic writing. Our Librarians will give you their best tips and tricks to help you succeed!	Group A: David Brewster 1.15 Group B: Scott Russell 1.12 Group C: Scott Russell 1.14
12.30-13.30	Lunch		Catering Outlets
13.30-14.00	Critical Reading	Get information on boosting your critical reading skills!	Lecture Theatre 1
14.00-14.15	Transition Time	Time to get to the location of the next session	
14.15-15.15	Hands-on Introduction to the Library	A practical session to help you find your way around the library and its resources	Library
15.15-15.30	Transition Time	Time to get to the location of the next session	
15.30-16.00	Your Questions Answered	No such thing as a silly question!	Lecture Theatre 1

Thursday 3rd September

Time	Event	Content	Location
10.00-10.15	Welcome Back	Outline of the day's programme and any important information	Lecture Theatre 1
10.15-10.45	Maximising your Income and Making the Most of Your Money	Angela from the Student Union Advice Hub and Student Ambassadors will share their best tips on stretching your budget as a student!	Lecture Theatre 1
10.45-11.15	Introduction to the Careers Service	How to use the Careers Service effectively from the start of your degree.	Lecture Theatre 1
11.15-11.30	Transition Time	Time to get to the location of the next session	
11.30-13.00	Group Work Skills	Looking at what you need to succeed as a student and an opportunity to practice working as a group to create a presentation.	Group 1: David Brewster 1.15 Group 2: Scott Russell 1.12 Group 3: Scott Russell 1.14 Group 4: Scott Russell 2.14
13.00-13.45	Lunch		Catering Outlets
13.45-14.30	Watt Do You Know?	Interactive group quiz with prizes to be won!	Lecture Theatre 1
14.30-15.15	What Happens Next?	A brief guide to Welcome Week and to the start of teaching, plus introductions to the Student Union and Sports Union	Lecture Theatre 1
15.15-16.30	Coffee and Catch Up!	Wrap up GRFS with a cuppa and a biscuit!	GRID Atrium outside Maths Gym