INDUCTION SCHEDULE
January 2026

School of Mathematics and Computer Sciences (MACS)

Programmes:

- MSc Data Sciences
- MSc Artificial Intelligence
- MSc Applied Cyber Security
- MSc Software Engineering
- MSc Information Technology (Software Systems)
- MSc Information Technology (Business)

The information overleaf provides the Programme schedule, including other details of the various events and student activities held during the Welcome Week.

The induction sites are available through Canvas – here you will find a comprehensive overview of information relating to your programme and campus information. You can access Canvas by going to your student portal and clicking on the Canvas VLE tile.

Please check the website regularly for the most updated version of the schedule as it may be subject to change. The Programme published here is based on the best available information at the time of printing and is subject to changes. Therefore, please ensure you check back regularly to see any updates.
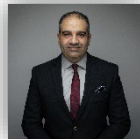
For assistance, please log into your student portal and log an enquiry through "AskHWU" for the fastest response.

Induction Schedule

Below is your induction schedule for your programme, student council activities and also support services available to you throughout your time studying with us.

Where a room number is provided, the expectation is that you attend the session in person. If through unavoidable circumstances you are unable to attend, please join via the link and contact your Programme Director.

Postgraduate Programme Academic Induction				
Date/Day	Time	Activity	Academic Lead	Room
Tuesday 6th January 2026	6:00-7:00 PM	Welcome to HW	Prof. Dame Heather McGregor	Classroom 2.09/2.14
	7:30 - 7:40 PM	Welcome & Introduction by Head of School	**Professor John Woodward** MACS Head of School	Classroom 2.05
	7:40 - 8:30 PM	• Introduction to the MSc Programme – Director of PG studies • Q&A	**Abrar Ullah** Director of PG studies	Classroom 2.05
	8:30 - 9:00 PM	Academic Integrity	**Ali Muzaffar** Global Discipline and Academic Integrity Officer	Classroom 2.05

		Breakout session with Programme Directors (Present the Programme and take live Q & A)		
	9:00 - 10:00 PM	MSc Data Science	**Ryad Soobhany** Programme Director	Classroom 1.54
		MSc Artificial Intelligence	**Radu-Casian Mihailescu** Programme Director	Classroom 1.49
		MSc Applied Cyber Security	**Hani Ragab Hassen** Programme Director	Classroom 1.43
		MSc Software Engineering MSc Information Technology (Software Systems)	**Kayvan Karim** Programme Director	Classroom 2.05
		MSc Information Technology (Business)	**Fadi Alhaddadin** Programme Director	Classroom 2.04

WELCOME
WEEK 2026
JANUARY 5 - JANUARY 9

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Monday, January 5

UG Programme Induction
9AM-1PM
- Global College Dubai
- Energy, Geoscience, Infrastructure and Society
- Engineering and Physical Sciences
- Mathematical and Computer Sciences

Welcome to HW (All UG)
2PM-3PM @ Room No. 2.09/2.14

Health & Safety Briefing
3PM-4PM @ Room No. 2.04

International Students Support Drop in
3PM-4PM @ First floor, Student services centre

Student Council Treasure Hunt
4PM-5PM @ First Floor Cafe

We are HW Graduates (PG)
5PM-6PM @ First Floor Cafe, 1.57

Watt Club Drop-In
5PM-6PM @ First Floor Cafe, 1.57

Welcome to HW (PG)
6PM-7PM @ Room No. 2.09/2.14

PG Programme Induction
7:00PM-9PM
- Energy, Geoscience, Infrastructure and Society
- Engineering and Physical Sciences

Enrolment support

Student ID Card Collection
Monday to Friday: 9:30AM-4:30PM @ Room No. 1.54

Enrolment/course registration
Monday to Friday: 9:30AM-4:30PM @ Room No. 1.54

Tuesday, January 6

UG Programme Induction
9AM-1PM
- School of Social Sciences
- Textiles & Design

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2PM-3PM @ Room No. 2.09/2.14

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WATT DEALS
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Wednesday, January 7

We are HW Graduates (for all UG)
12PM-1PM @ Room No. 1.57

New to Dubai
1PM-2PM @ Room No. 1.49

Student Life Fair UG & PG
2PM-6PM @ Room No. 5.09

Introduction to Library & Academic Support
3PM-4PM @ Classroom No. 2.44

Introduction to Library & Academic Support
5:30PM-6:30PM @ Classroom No. 2.44

Thursday, January 8

Scrapbooking for Wellness and Success
10PM-12PM @ Room No. 1.29

Meet the Big Buds
12PM-1PM @ Room 5.09

Careers Drop In (UG)
1PM-2PM @ Careers Centre

Determination Drop In
1PM-2PM @ Wellbeing Area Room

New to Dubai
1PM-2PM @ Room No. 1.49

Introduction to Careers & GradFutures
5PM-6PM @ Careers Centre

Careers Drop In (PG)
6PM-8PM @ Careers Centre

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STUDENT LIFE FAIR

Visit the Student Life Fair and explore clubs, activities and find fun ways to make the most of campus life

7th January, 2025
2PM - 7PM
ROOM 5.09 / 5.12

SCRAPBOOKING
FOR WELLNESS & SUCCESS
Join us on and get to know the wellbeing team and careers team!
Thursday, 8th of January
10:30 am - 12 pm
Classroom 1.29
The workshop includes a fun scrapbooking activity, be sure to stop by!

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