



YOUR INDUCTION WEEK

ON YOUR FIRST DAY YOU WILL REGISTER WITH THE STUDENT COMMUNICATIONS TEAM. YOU WILL HAVE YOUR PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN FOR YOUR ID CARD. THIS WILL GIVE YOU ACCESS TO YOUR STUDENT PORTAL WHERE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO SEE YOUR TIMETABLE. YOUR PERSONAL TUTOR WILL SEND YOU A LINK TO YOUR FIRST TUTORIAL SESSION.

On the first day of induction you are given an induction timetable to ensure you get all the induction tasks done before you start lessons. All induction tasks will be online. Your PT will send you the links necessary to join these tasks. Those students who are onsite in Cambridge must adhere to the PPE and social distancing requirements of the college. Students will receive these requirements pre-arrival as well as being guided through these on arrival.

In your first week you will:

MEET YOUR PERSONAL TUTOR AND YOUR TUTOR GROUP

A tutor group is a small group of students who meet with their Personal Tutor (PT) every day. In PT time you discuss issues such as your attendance and progress, personal development and your involvement in activities and wellbeing challenges. You will also discuss your reports and undertake reflection on your progress as well as set targets for the coming term.

REGISTER YOUR DETAILS

You will register your details with the College Health Centre, the local doctor and the Police if necessary (students from certain countries only).

SAY HELLO

Meet your fellow students, College staff and the Curriculum team to confirm your course/subjects and get your timetable.

TOUR THE COLLEGE AND CITY

You will have a tour of the college as well as a virtual tour of Cambridge during induction. You will have the opportunity to visit many of the historical sites of Cambridge during the academic year, following the social distancing rules of the time.

Receive information on how to log on to the College network, your personal student portal and CANVAS, the College's virtual classroom network. As well as how to access your online lessons.

COLLECT YOUR PERMIT

Collect your Biometric Residence Permit (students with Tier 4 visas only) and your College ID card for entrance to College facilities and proof of entitlement to meals.

SIT PLACEMENT TESTS

To ensure that you are placed in a class that is appropriate for your academic level, you will take some placement tests in the first week, these also help us set your target grades in all your subjects. Do not worry! You do not have to study for any of these placement tests. All you need to do is try your best.

GET ACADEMIC ADVICE

You will also talk to an academic advisor about your subject choices and your university aspirations. At the end of the induction week you will be given your timetable and then you begin your lessons.

TAKE PART IN OUR PENTATHLON CHALLENGE.

You will take part in our pentathlon challenge 24th September. This will take place both in Elizabeth House and at the university sports ground. Make sure that you have suitable clothing and sports shoes with you.

Remember this is about taking part and having fun. You will take part with your PT group.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING SPORTS SHOES AND CLOTHES FOR THIS

CHOOSE YOUR EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

We encourage you to join at least one and ideally two of the extra-curricular activities at CATS Cambridge. This gives you a break from your studies and can add to your UCAS application. With a wide range of sports and activities available every week, there is something of interest for all students.

GCSE AND PRE-PROGRAMME STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO DO TWO CLUBS/ ACTIVITIES PER WEEK.

Speak to the Sports & Activities Team in College during arrivals weekend to get a flavour of all the clubs, events and trips on offer for the year ahead.

JOIN CLUBS

You have the opportunity to join around 40 sports and activity clubs which run each week. These are all free to CATS Cambridge students.

ATTEND LEISURE ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

We run activities in and around Cambridge each month. In the boarding house you will also find pool tables, table tennis and foosball tables in the Common Room to enjoy with your friends.

LEARN ABOUT THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH (DOFE) AWARDS

DofE Awards is highly regarded by universities as it shows your teamwork and leadership skills. The Sports and Activities Manager will tell you about this during induction.

LEARN ABOUT TRIPS

During the year you will have the opportunity to travel to various destinations both for fun and enhance your education.

THE STUDENT COUNCIL

The Student Council meets regularly and gives a voice to students' needs and points of view. It makes an important contribution to the planning of events and is open to all students to join. Each personal tutor group has a student council representative. From these representatives the student council elects a committee who meet with the Principal to discuss ideas.