

Predeparture Guide 2020



# BEST OF LUCK!

Going to study in the UK is an exciting experience and we know that you will have many questions. This guide is designed to help answer some of your questions and provide you with information that should be useful throughout your time in the UK.

The information in this guide should be read alongside any predeparture materials and emails you receive from your university. Please be sure to follow any instructions that your university gives you in its guide.

In addition to pre-departure materials, all our university partners offer introductory orientations for international students at the beginning of term. These programs will introduce you to the campus, your department, other students and the local area. We encourage you to participate in these programs, as they are a great opportunity to meet other students and will help you settle in and adjust to life in the UK. International student advisors at your university will be available throughout your studies to listen to your concerns and give you advice on a wide range of issues. If you find yourself experiencing any problems whilst in the UK, please don't hesitate to contact your university's International Office, as they will be happy to assist you.

We hope you find the information in this guide helpful - please do let us know if you have any additional queries.

Best of luck with your studies in the UK! We hope you have a brilliant time!

Sincerely,

The Canada Law From Abroad Team





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# YOUR ADVENTURE

Let's start by stating the obvious: you are about to begin one of the most transformative and challenging adventures of your life so far. Whether you've studied abroad in the past or are new to living overseas, your trusted student advisors have taken care to put together this handy predeparture guide based on our own experiences living as international students in the UK.

We've assembled this to be a helpful resource you can print off and keep within reach whenever you have a question (especially those questions you feel silly asking!). Some bits of information will be more relevant to you than others—that's how we've designed it. This is everything we would've liked to know before we skipped across the pond ourselves! We want you to be prepared, and that's why the most useful bit of advice we can give you is this: do everything you can to get things in order so your trip abroad goes smoothly, but be prepared to be surprised. And what is an adventure without some surprises?

This guide is intended to supplement the information your selected university will provide you in the weeks before your departure. We want you to be prepared, but remember to leave some flexibility in your plans for the unexpected. This is your international adventure story, and it's completely unscripted. Learn what you can from those who have gone overseas before you, but take hold of the time you have in the UK. Live in the present. Be prepared for the unexpected moments. They'll likely turn out to be your fondest memories.

Right. Now to the serious, less inspiring stuff.

I love being in the LLB program because the school provides constant, easy points of contact with a variety of people who can help us with our course. Each student has a personal tutor who they can visit at any time to discuss questions or concerns.

Lauren K.





My experience has been great. The size of the city makes it very convenient to get around easily, yet still has the energy you'd expect from a big city. The city itself is an awesome place to walk around and enjoy some down time, but the University of York campus has everything you need, as well.

Zachary W.

Studying law in the UK was the best decision I have ever made - I had the opportunity to travel to 13 countries while completing my law degree in 2 years and shadowing lawyers/judges at the **Royal Courts of Justice in** London.

Felicity S.





I have settled into life abroad very comfortably. The campus is beautiful, and the staff and academic community is and have been always very welcoming and supportive. I already have a much greater understanding of where I see myself going with a career in Law.

Tvler N.

