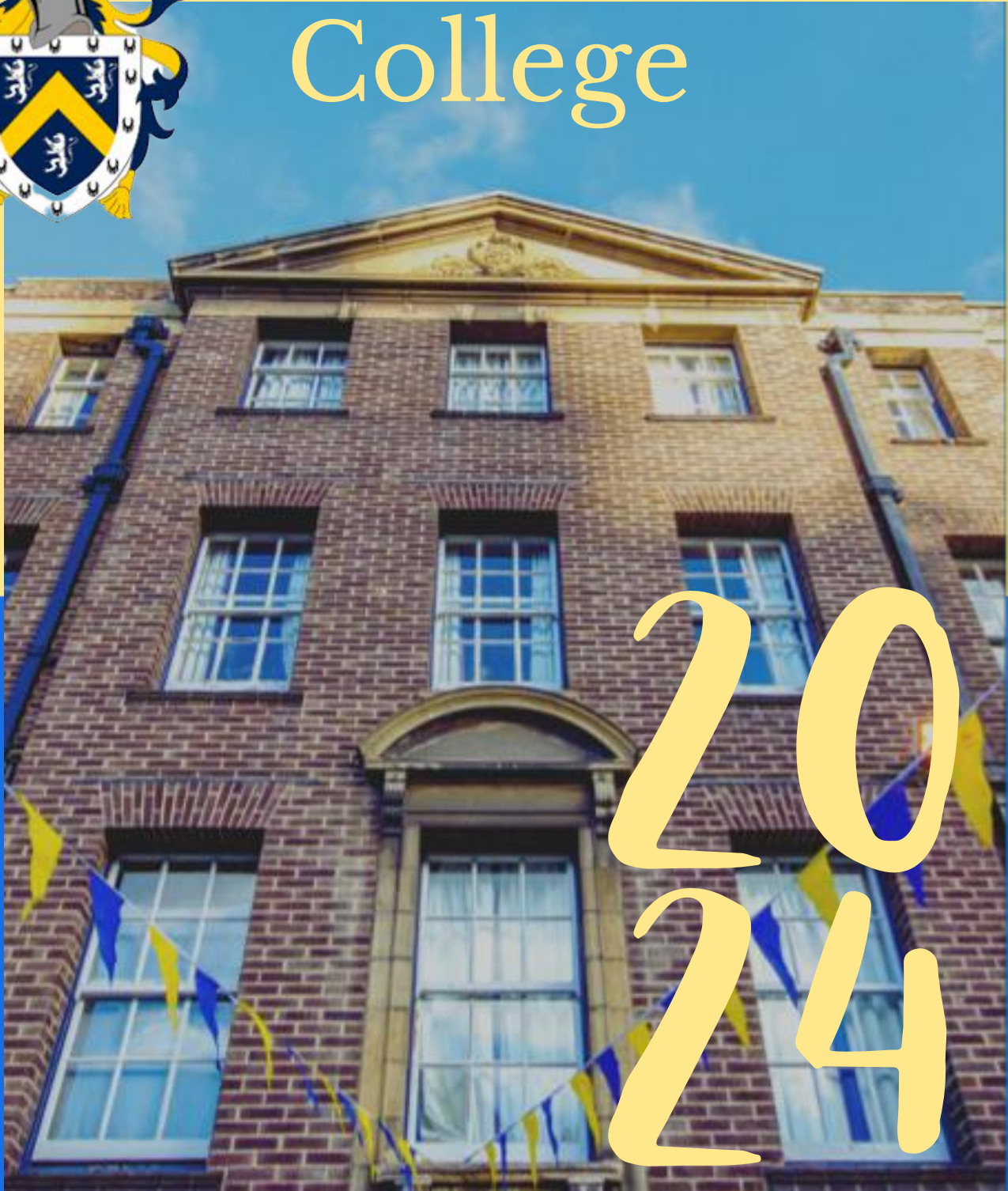
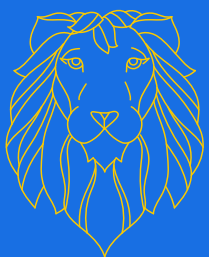




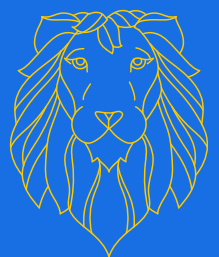
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# WELCOME TO HATFIELD COLLEGE

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## Hello Hatfielder-to-be!

First things first: congratulations on making it to Durham University, and Hatfield College! We can't wait to welcome you to your new home for the next few years.

Since the beginning of June, your Senior Freshers Representatives have been in and out of meetings making sure that your Induction Week fully prepares you for your time as a part of Hatfield College, gets you ready for university and is a whole lot of fun!

One of the best parts of Freshers' Week is the opportunity to meet so many new people, and to truly give yourself to all the new experiences the University and College have to offer. Both College and the University are full of societies, clubs, sports, and people that will shape the future of your university life, and now is the time to take it all in.

This is just the beginning of your journey, and we are so excited that we get to be even a small part of it!

If there is anything we can do to make your time easier, please do not hesitate to drop us an email ([hatfield.induction@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.induction@durham.ac.uk)) or speak to any of the Freps. We're all here to help!

Frep Love <3  
Robbie Jansen & Isha Ghosh  
Senior Freps 2024/25



## FREPS:

During Freshers Week - your induction week - keep an eye out for Hatfield Freshers Representatives (Freps) in our beautiful blue polo shirts!

Your Senior Freps have been working hard behind the scenes creating what will be an amazing welcome to Hatfield, filled with lots of activities and information!

All Freps will be on hand to help during induction week! If there is anything we can do to help - get in touch!

# MEET THE SENIOR FREP TEAM WHO ARE WE?

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## YOUR SENIOR FREPS

Behind every great Freshers' Week is an even greater team of Freps! **Robbie** and **Isha** are your Senior Freps, supported by Assistants: **Emma, Tom, Andrew, Levina** and **Emily**. The seven of us have so many exciting plans ready for your first week in Durham and we cannot wait to meet you!

### ROBBIE JANSEN

#### 4TH YEAR MODERN LANGUAGES AND CULTURES (FRENCH AND GERMAN)

Hi future Hatfielders, I'm Robbie and I am a fourth year from Sheffield studying French and German. As one part of your senior frep team, I am so excited to get to know you all and make your first week in Durham as incredible as possible. This year, I will also be acting as Vice-President of the JCR, so I am sure I will see you all throughout the year! Outside of freshers week, you can find me playing sax as part of Hatfields very own band 'Kinky Jeff and the Swingers' as well as trying desperately to speak French and German. Can't wait to meet you all!



### ISHA GHOSH

#### 2ND YEAR PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS AND ECONOMICS

Hi, my name is Isha and I am a second year PPE student from Leicester. I'm one of your senior freps for this year, and so am always up for a chat if there's anything you need, and outside of Freshers week you can often find me in my home away from home, Hatfield Bar. Looking forward to meeting all of you in September!

# MEET YOUR ASSISTANT SENIOR FREPS



**EMMA WHITE**  
2ND YEAR LAW



**TOM SPEIRS**  
2ND YEAR INTERNATIONAL  
RELATIONS



**LEVINA PUREWAL**  
4TH YEAR BIOLOGY (BA)



**ANDREW YU**  
2ND YEAR POLITICS AND  
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS



**EMILY JACK**  
2ND YEAR BIOSCIENCES

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*We're looking forward  
to welcoming you all  
to Hatfield!*

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# AN INTRODUCTION TO HATFIELD COLLEGE



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# A MESSAGE FROM OUR COLLEGE MASTER



**ANN MACLARNON**

## **WELCOME TO HATFIELD!**

You will have thought about this stage in your life for a long time and worked hard to make it happen and here you are now planning your arrival at University. At the College, we are planning to make sure that new students are welcomed as warmly as ever.

Coming to Durham and Hatfield, you are joining a community with long traditions and a great sense of welcome for newcomers. Since I joined the College and University in 2017, I have been really impressed with the Hatfield welcome to newcomers and have come to know what a lovely place Hatfield is. This Handbook has been written by students to provide you with practical advice and guidance. Read it carefully and keep it to hand. The Handbook is not just for the first few weeks; it will provide helpful information throughout your first year.

The Hatfield community is made up of all its members and that now includes you. Our ethos is "All One Hatfield" which was recently affirmed in our joint declaration signed by representatives of all part of the College community. You can read the declaration here:

<https://www.durham.ac.uk/media/durham-university/colleges/hatfield-college/resources/AllOneHatfieldJuly2020.pdf>

You are a Hatfielder and you will help shape the future of College. There are as many ways of being a Hatfielders as there are individuals. There is no template beyond making the most of the opportunities available to you. Be yourself, enjoy your time here, and, in the words of our College motto, be the best you can be. Over the coming weeks, if you have any queries, problems or concerns, there is a host of people to help - but help yourself first by reading this Handbook so that you will know whom to turn to when you need them. I look forward to meeting you and welcoming you into the Hatfield community.



# A MESSAGE FROM OUR SENIOR MAN



Hello Hatfield freshers! I'm Joseph, your Senior Man for the year, otherwise known as the Junior Common Room president.

**JOSEPH MOST**

I'll be responsible for representing our college's undergraduate body at a university level, as well as leading and assisting a group of student volunteers - your JCR executive committee - to ensure events, welfare, communications and much more are all running smoothly. There's never a dull moment in the college, so it takes an enthusiastic team like us to make sure the term is always busy!

Since August I have been working alongside college staff and the Senior Freps to provide an induction week which fully prepares you for your time at Hatfield College, and the wider university. There are so many fantastic opportunities on offer over your time here at Durham, so I encourage you to try your hand at as many you like (with one eye on the degree, of course).

If you have any questions, or if there's anything I can do to ensure your transition to university life is as smooth as possible, please don't hesitate to email me ([hatfield.seniorman@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.seniorman@durham.ac.uk)) or reach out to the Senior Man instagram account!

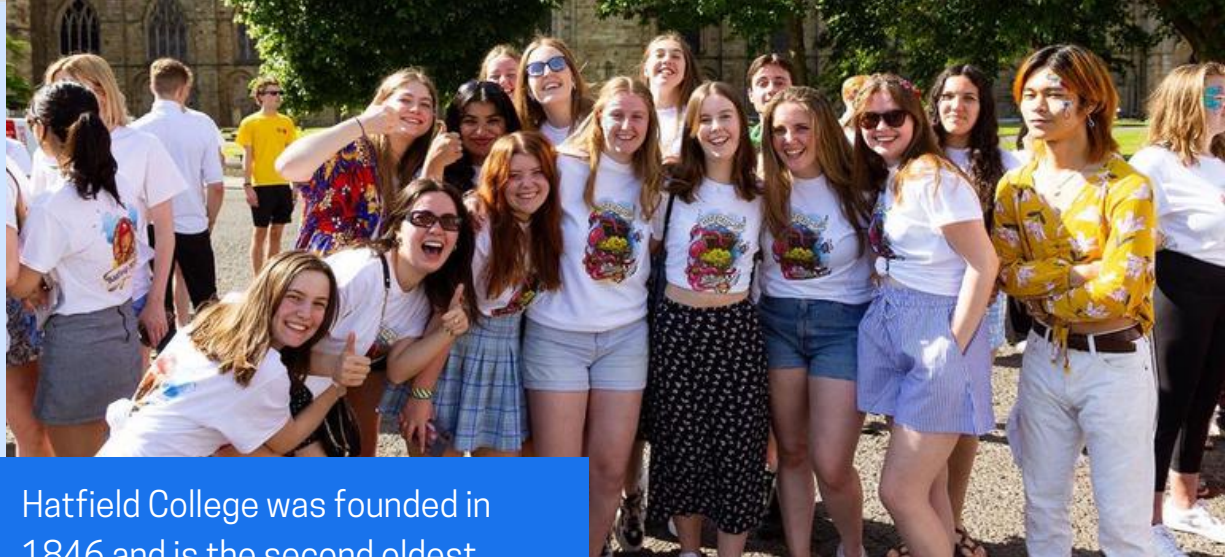
Congratulations on taking your place at Hatfield College, and I wish you the best luck in all your escapades over the coming years.

Joseph

*ALL ONE #ATFIELD*



# HATFIELDER BEING A



Hatfield College was founded in 1846 and is the second oldest college in the University. The college was formed with the purpose of being a community of students with diverse backgrounds and this is one of our central values. Hatfielders come from many different backgrounds and have all sorts of experiences and views and come together as 'All One Hatfield'.

From the moment you arrive you will be welcomed into Hatfield; you will find you have something in common with a few hundred people. Our community spirit marks us out: we have a sense of belonging, security and pride known as 'The Hatfield Spirit'. No matter if you live in College, or out!

There's a really diverse range of opportunities at Hatfield, ranging from sports to music, to theatre and charity work, as well as getting involved in events such as The Lion in Winter Ball, Hatfield Sessions or even Frepping yourself next year! There really is a place for everyone here.

Being such an old college, Hatfield is rich in traditions; from 'spooning' before formal (a tradition you'll have a love-hate relationship with) to our college songs - everyone gets really stuck in and it bonds us together as a community.

At Hatfield we work hard and we play hard, combining high academic achievement with a range of extracurricular activities, loads of well attended college events like balls and sport matches, as well as the odd Newcastle night out. Our advice is to throw yourself in and 'be the best you can be!'



# HATFIELD FACILITIES

**The Burt Room:** multi-purpose social space open all day, including café and bar

**Little Burt Room:** available for meetings

**Library** and reading rooms

**Computer Room**, including an iMac

**Two gyms:** Gym Membership Fee to be paid separately to JCR levy

**Tennis Court:** used for a variety of sports

**Boat House** and boats (great for rowers or novices-to-be!)

**Chapel:** including an organ and piano

**Music Room**

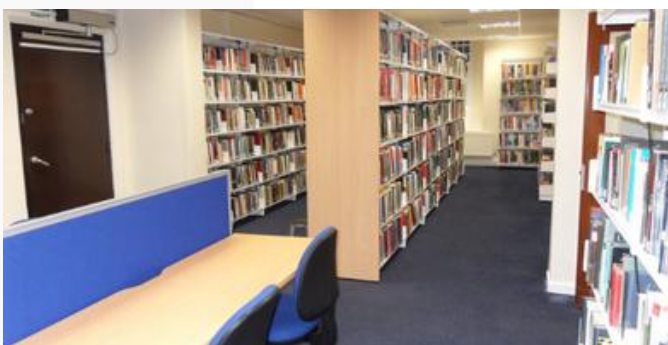
**Art Room**

**JCR Common Room** with TV Lounge

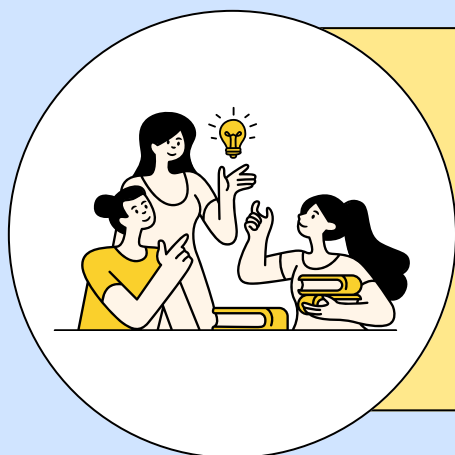
**Wi-Fi** throughout College

**Kitchen:** fully equipped with hobs and ovens

**Kitchenettes:** Fridge, kettle, and microwave in all staircases



# COMMON ROOMS



Hatfield has **three** Common Rooms, which contribute to our strong sense of community. The Common Rooms are what differentiate collegiate universities from regular universities. Without our common rooms Hatfield would not be the sociable, rich in tradition College we know and love.

## Senior Common Room (SCR)

College Officers, Mentors, members of academic and professional support staff affiliated to the College and other people from the Durham area comprise the membership of the SCR. They are all dedicated to Hatfield and many of them have been part of the College in some way for decades.



## Middle Common Room (MCR)

The Hatfield MCR comprises postgraduates of many nationalities studying for PGCE, Masters and PhD degrees in a variety of disciplines. The MCR is continually looking to reinforce links with the JCR through joint events and activities.



## Junior Common Room (JCR)

The Hatfield JCR is a community for undergraduate students at Hatfield. The JCR is the social hub of college and almost all undergraduates at Hatfield are members. For more information, please see the next page!



# HATFIELD JCR + EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

## THE JUNIOR COMMON ROOM (JCR)

The Hatfield JCR is a **community for undergraduate students at Hatfield**. The JCR is the social hub of college and almost all undergraduates at Hatfield are members.

The JCR helps **organise Formal Dinners**, and subsidises the cost for members; funds a wide range of high performing sports and societies; organises legendary events that will be the highlight of your social calendar such as **Lion in Winter Ball**; provides peer-to-peer welfare support; **maintains the gyms** and so much more.

## MOTIONS AND ELECTIONS

Motions are how we make changes to what the JCR is and does. They allow us to **alter the Standing Orders** (rules of the JCR), to **create new societies** and positions, to get the JCR to take an official stance on key issues. To submit a motion you must also have a seconder.

After motions are passed through the JCR exec, an election is held for all members of the JCR. Candidates will stand up, **give a quick hust** (like a speech) and then depending on the position of voting their it will either be **in person by a show of hands or online**.

## THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EXEC)

The day-to-day activities of the JCR are overseen by the Executive Committee (Exec), made up of ten student members and the sabbatical Senior Man, elected in Epiphany term.

- Senior Man (President)
- Vice-President
- Treasurer
- Welfare Officer
- Events Officer
- Sports and Societies Officer
- Communities Officer
- Secretary
- Compliance and Governance Officer
- Chair

In addition to their individual roles, they are collectively responsible for representing the views of the JCR to the college and university and working to improve college life. Please feel free to get in touch with any of them!

# HATFIELD JCR + EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

## OPPORTUNITIES AND POSITIONS

Alongside the executive committee there are over 80 volunteer roles available in the JCR which provide a range of CV boosting opportunities and a great chance to meet new people and be a force for change in College! From the events team to the charity committee there are roles of all shapes and sizes to get involved with. You can read more about the JCR and how to get involved in the JCR website ([HatfieldJCR.co.uk](http://HatfieldJCR.co.uk))

## GETTING INVOLVED IN THE JCR

Having a role in the JCR is such a rewarding experience. Its a fabulous way to meet other people with similar interests and make the most of your time at university by getting stuck into college life! Whether you're a part of our iconic Welfare Team or our supportive Communities Teams, there is a diverse variety of groups within college you can be a part of and help make a difference with.

The responsibility can be an excellent opportunity for personal growth, such as building confidence and leadership skills. It can also be a stepping stone into other roles within the college or even beyond. However, most importantly, being a part of a team in college is great fun and one of the best ways to be a part of All One Hatfield.

## HOW AND WHEN TO APPLY FOR ROLES

Anyone with a JCR membership can apply for roles, whether you're a liver-in or a liver-out, taking a STEM or humanities subject, lover or hater of Jimmy's.

The usual structure for a role application is that the Chair of the JCR will open the role, which will first be posted on the JCR Facebook group (be sure to join it!) and advertised around social spots in college and on other social media platforms. Then you apply by emailing in your manifesto: This is sort of like a fancy CV up to 250 words long (with your year, subject, why you think you would fit the role, relevant experience etc.) - you can make this as colourful and creative as you like so be **BOLD!**

Then you will be invited to interview, and if all goes well, you will be a part of that team for the next academic year!

## OPENING ROLES

Keep an eye out over the coming year for positions opening up, here's a few that will be opening shortly for applications!

### Communities Team Junior Positions:

- International Students Team
- LGBTQ + Team
- Intersectional Feminist Team
- POC Team
- Mature Students Team
- Disabilities Team
- Low Income State School (LISS) Team

### Other Junior Positions:

- Events Team Juniors
- Welfare Team Juniors
- Treasury Team Juniors
- Secretary Team Juniors
- Lion In Winter Ball Juniors

If you have literally any questions in the world contact [hatfield.jcrchair@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.jcrchair@durham.ac.uk)  
- Noah West (Chair Extraordinaire)

# COLLEGE EVENTS

## BOPS

Events put on in the college bar by the Hatfield Events team, often themed featuring different events and entertainment throughout the year!

## Lumley Ball

Held at the stunning Lumley Castle, this ball is Finalist priority, so it's an event that Hatfielders wait in great anticipation for throughout their time at Hatfield.



## Hatfield Winter and Summer Sessions

Hatfield's very own beer festival where we source in craft beer, ales and cider! Filled with live music and entertainment!

## Lion in Winter Ball

Hatfield's biggest and longest ball, running for 12 hours (6pm-6am) filled with stacks of entertainment, live music, a 3 course meal, food trucks and a survivors photo for those who made it to the end.

## Hatfield College Charity Fashion Show

Hatfield's very own charity fashion show - a night of fabulous outfits, fun music, all for a good cause!

## Hatfield Day


A full day of end-of-year celebrations, live music, inflatables - the works. It's like our own Hatfield festival celebrating our college and everyone in it!




# SPORTS AT HATFIELD

Hatfield has a huge number of sports team across 19 different sports. No matter what skill level you are there is a team for you - from absolute beginner to the highest level of college sport. First year is a great time to try and take up as many things as possible so go for something you've never done before like ultimate frisbee or take back up a sport you've played in the past!





 = Sport


 = Sport President(s)


 = President's Email:

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 HCNC (Hatfield College Netball Club)


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 HCVC (Hatfield College Volleyball Club)


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 HCBC (Hatfield College Boat Club)


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 Rounders


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## SOCIETIES AT HATFIELD


There is a range of societies here at Hatfield, ranging from our non-audition choir and resident big band, Kinky Jeff and the Swingers, to Arts and Crafts. Societies will organise their own events and meets.


 Kinky Jeff and the Swingers (Hatfield Big Band)


 Alice Towle

 [kinkyjeffandtheswingers@gmail.com](mailto:kinkyjeffandtheswingers@gmail.com)

 Lion Theatre Company

 Tilly Alexander, Jacob Cordery


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 Hatfield College Chapel Choir

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 Art

 Alice Boissonnas

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# FORMALS



Hatfield College was founded in 1846 on what was then a new model of student dining. Before then, students generally employed their own servants who would cook meals for them. David Melville, who founded the college, introduced the idea of dining in common; where all students would eat together, eating meals prepared by College staff.

In early days, all meals were 'formal meals', with students wearing their academic gowns with table service. This form of dining together not only had the benefit of being cheaper for students but also helped to promote a sense of community identity for the College.

Formal meals remain one of the traditions within our college to this day. The meal is preceded by a Latin grace, intended to be an act of gratitude for food and service. Over the years, a number of traditions have developed that are associated with formal meals in Hatfield. They are intended to enhance the 'dining experience'.

An integral element of our College to this day is 'spooning' which you'll experience to its full during the start of every formal!

Formal meals remain an important - and popular - part of the student experience at Hatfield College, as they have for generations.

Formals are a great way to get together as a college. Members of all of the Common Rooms attend and it's a wonderful way to mingle with members of the college community you may not usually engage with.

Our formals often have a theme, ranging from Burns Night formal (followed by ceilidh) to Diwali Formal to SHAG formal - Sexual Health and Guidance (organised by the JCR Welfare Team as part of their sexual health campaign).

Formals are the highlight of the week, so make sure to sign up! During Freshers Week, you will be introduced to formals and all their celebrations, including post-formal traditions!

Make sure you wear your academic gown and smart clothes, you may alternatively wear cultural or national dress.

# OPTIONAL PRE-ARRIVAL COSTS

Before arriving in Durham next year, consider potential costs, including optional expenses that can enhance your college experience.



## **JCR Levy:**

The JCR Levy is a pivotal investment for your entire college journey, spanning three, four, or even five years. This one-time fee subsidises essential college events such as formals, balls, and other social gatherings, ensuring you can fully engage in the vibrant Hatfield experience. It's essential for making the most of your time here and is priced at £220.



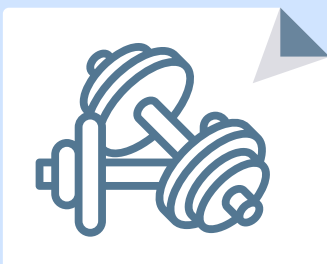
## **Freshers' Wristband:**

The Freshers' Wristband is the only one you need in Durham, covering six club nights out, a formal, multiple other bops, and even a petting zoo, ensuring you kick off your university experience in style! It's priced at £30 if you purchase with the JCR levy (£35 if not), offering incredible value for your introduction to Durham's social scene.



## **Gown:**

Having a gown is a must at Hatfield! It's used for all formals, which are held every week, and it's compulsory for matriculation in the cathedral during Freshers' Week. Although sold via college for £60 you also have the option of buying one second-hand from the local charity shops!



## **Gym levy:**

Hatfield boasts two separate gym rooms: one for cardio and the other for weights! The gym levy is an optional charge priced at £45, granting you access to the largest college gym on the Bailey, perfect for staying fit and active throughout your college years.

# COLLEGE CULTURE

At Hatfield, we have a strong community based on equality, support and respect for all. Our ethos is #AllOneHatfield, as laid out in a statement agreed by all parts of College.

## HATFIELD COMMUNITIES

The JCR appoints LGBTQIA+, People of Colour, Feminist, International, Mature Students, Disability, and Low-Income/State School (LISS) Reps in Hatfield who promote inclusivity across college.

Check out [@hatfield.communities](https://twitter.com/hatfield.communities) for more information.



## OUTSIDE OF HATFIELD

Durham Student Union also has a great number of LGBTQIA+, cultural and religious societies where you can meet people from similar backgrounds beyond the college. The 93% Club operates both university-wide and also within college through their College Reps.



## THE HATFIELD STEREOTYPE

As you will come to find out, every college in Durham has its own stereotype, some of which are very old and don't particularly hold true anymore. Information spread online can be increasingly outdated and doesn't always reflect the culture of the college very accurately - college life is far more complex and diverse than these stereotypes.

Although there may be a grain of truth in the 'Hatfield Stereotype' the college is not homogenous and each year the college grows more inclusive and diverse. Regardless of your background, ethnicity or schooling, you will find your very own community of like minded people in Hatfield.

# MENTORSHIP WITHIN COLLEGE

At Hatfield, we really love our mentor system as it is a way to really get to know the college and feel the college spirit. Our two programmes are here to support you through your transition to University life and beyond, whilst also introducing you to members of our college community.

## COLLEGE MENTORING



The mentoring system is a well established and integral part of college life, bringing together undergraduates with members of the college SCR and MCR. Each first-year student is allocated a Mentor who provides support and guidance throughout your time in Hatfield. If your mentor invites you to an event, make sure you reply to them, even if you can't make it on that occasion!

## COLLEGE PARENTING

In your first year all students are allocated 'College parents', students in their second year who have got 'College married'. At least one of your parents should do your subject and both your parents will be there to talk to when you need to. You can use them for both academic and pastoral support - whatever you feel like! You will formally meet your family at 'Family Formal'. They will also be able to show you the city and may even take you on a night out!

# COLLEGE STAFF

## ANN MACLARON - MASTER

Ann is head of the College, with overall responsibility for the community and its life. She is also Professor of Evolutionary Anthropology in the Department of Anthropology.

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## NICOLA KENDALL (NIC) - ASSISTANT MASTER

Nic is responsible for student wellbeing and supports the Vice Master with student enrichment and volunteering. She is very keen to create an environment where students feel safe to speak up and to promote early intervention when students are beginning to find things difficult.

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## JULIA CANDY - CHAPLAIN

One of the great privileges of being Hatfield's Chaplain is that I am here to pastorally support you and provide a non-judgemental safe space. Whether you are a student or staff member and whatever your faith or philosophical outlook I am here to listen. So, whatever you are feeling or thinking, from existential concerns to discussing Taylor Swift's latest song, I am always ready to give you my time and attention. I am very much looking forward to meeting you!

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# COLLEGE STAFF

## Student Support Administrator

Name: Katy Johnes

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Katy is based in the Student Support Office, which is on the ground floor of Rectory and is available 9am -5pm Monday - Friday to offer support and advice to Hatfield students.

## Development Officer and Honorary Director of The Hatfield Trust

Name: Chris Lomax

Contact: [hatfield.trust@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.trust@durham.ac.uk) or 0191 334 2603

The Trust helps support students' extra-curricular activities. There are many opportunities to apply for funding to aid your personal development.

## Food & Beverage Services Manager

Name: Jennifer Broom

Contact: [jennifer.broom@durham.ac.uk](mailto:jennifer.broom@durham.ac.uk)

Jennifer is in charge of food services. She and the rest of the catering staff are friendly faces you will be very grateful for when you're in need of brunch. Make sure to let Jennifer know if you have any dietary requirements.

## Operations Manager

Name: Will Green

Contact: [william.green@durham.ac.uk](mailto:william.green@durham.ac.uk)

Will manages all College facilities including accommodation and outdoor spaces, the Porters and Housekeeping staff

## Housekeeping

Contact:

[hatfield.operations@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.operations@durham.ac.uk)

Housekeeping are here to make sure that College is comfortable and clean.

# THE PORTERS



## **The Porters are so essential to the running of college.**

There's at least one on duty at all times, including at night. Whether it's 3am and you've lost your key, or if something in College needs fixing, the porters are here to help. If they're not in the Porters Lodge (by the gates), you can call them directly using the red telephone in the lodge.

There is also an online maintenance form you can fill out with any issues with your room or anywhere else in college. You can find that form here:

[durham.ac.uk/hatfield.college/local/current\\_students/maintenance](https://durham.ac.uk/hatfield.college/local/current_students/maintenance)

**Make sure you treat all college staff respectfully. They'll always be there to help you**

### **Contact:**

**[hatfield.porters@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.porters@durham.ac.uk)  
0191 334 2633**





# I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT...

**Rooms, keys, booking rooms, visitors meal tickets, temporary meal cards, booking in guests and general queries:**

**All of the above if the receptionists aren't in, postal deliveries, noise disturbances, out of hours help or emergencies:**

The Porters (in the Porters Lodge)  
hatfield.porters@durham.ac.uk or: 0191 334 2619

**Food, special diets, the dining room, the bar and cafe:**

Jennifer Broom - Food and Beverage Services Manager (usually in the dining room - if she's not there you can ask one of the staff on duty)  
jennifer.broom@durham.ac.uk or: 0191 334 2195

**College facilities and buildings:**

Will Green - College Operations Manager (it's best to email him or go to the Porters Lodge)

hatfield.services@durham.ac.uk or: 0191 334 2653

Note: Non-urgent maintenance requests should be reported online at:  
[durhamuniversity.sharepoint.com/teams/HatfieldCollege](https://durhamuniversity.sharepoint.com/teams/HatfieldCollege)

**Payment of College and University Bills:**

Susan Noble and the Finance staff (in the Finance Office on the Ground Floor of Rectory) susan.noble@durham.ac.uk or: 0191 334 2621

**First point of call for pastoral support, making appointments with the Vice Master or Assistant Master; self-certification forms, SAC forms; what to do if you are ill; room allocations and changes:**

Katy Johnes- the Student Support Administrator (Ground floor, Rectory, in the Student Support Office – the Office is usually open 8.00am - 5.00pm, Mon - Fri)

hatfield.studentsupport@durham.ac.uk or : 0191 334 2610





# I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT...

## **Student enrichment and development, the Durham Inspired Award:**

James Armitage - Vice-Master - First floor, Rectory, in the Vice-Master's Office  
[hatfield.vicemaster@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.vicemaster@durham.ac.uk) or: 0191 334 2636

## **Student wellbeing and support:**

Nic Kendall - Assistant Master - Second floor, Rectory, in the Assistant Master's Office  
[hatfield.asstmaster@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.asstmaster@durham.ac.uk) or: 0191 334 2642

## **Contacting the Master, mailing lists:**

Janet Raine - Senior College Administrator - First Floor, Rectory, in the Master's Secretary's Office  
[janet.raine@durham.ac.uk](mailto:janet.raine@durham.ac.uk) or: 0191 334 2601

## **The College library and reading rooms:**

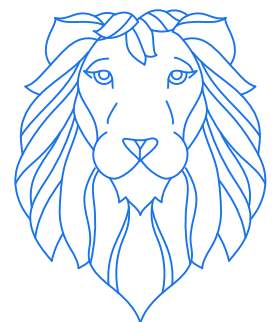
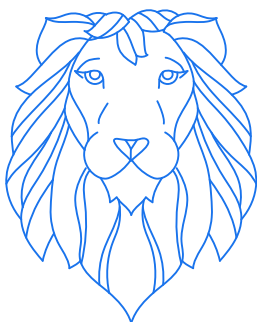
Dr Kevin Sheehan - College Librarian - The Library  
[hatfield.librarian@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.librarian@durham.ac.uk) or: 0191 334 2632

## **The College chapel; chapel services; the chapel choir; use of the chapel for interfaith and other events:**

Rev. Dr. Julia Candy  
[hatfield.chaplain@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.chaplain@durham.ac.uk) or: 0191 334 2636

## **Hatfield Trust, Trust grants and applications for grants:**

Chris Lomax - Development Officer and Honorary Director of the Hatfield Trust - Trust Office, ground floor Rectory  
[hatfield.trust@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.trust@durham.ac.uk) or: 0191 224 2603



# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



## SENIOR INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE: SEHAJ CHOUKSE

CONTACT: [SEHAJ.CHOUSKE@DURHAM.AC.UK](mailto:SEHAJ.CHOUSKE@DURHAM.AC.UK) | [@HATFIELDINTERNATIONAL](https://www.instagram.com/hatfieldinternational) (INSTAGRAM)

Sehaj is your Senior International Representative, she is your port of call for any questions about college or university life, generally but also specifically for international students - during freshers week and throughout the year. Make sure to get in touch via her email or the instagram account if you have any queries!

## PRE-ARRIVAL INFORMATION



### CAS + STUDENT VISA

To apply for a student visa you will need a Confirmation of Acceptance of Studies (CAS) which is a letter issued by the university once you are unconditional and have accepted your offer.

It can take up to about 4 weeks but we do prioritise CAS when the start of the academic year is nearing so don't panic!



### MEET & GREET

Email [sehaj.choukse@durham.ac.uk](mailto:sehaj.choukse@durham.ac.uk) or [international.meetandgreet@durham.ac.uk](mailto:international.meetandgreet@durham.ac.uk) if you have any queries about the Meet and Greet Service or your booking.

New international students who arrive at Newcastle Airport on 25th and 26th September 2024 can book Durham's Meet and Greet Service that takes you to our preferred address in Durham



# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

## PURCHASING BED LINEN

Since travelling with bed linen can be a bit of a hassle, Hatfield provides a bed linen set which you can purchase before your arrival and collect from the Porters' Lodge when you arrive.



This is inclusive of:

1 duvet, 1 duvet cover, 1 pillow, 1 pillow case, 1 bed sheet

The items can only be purchased as a set which will cost £35.

It is not compulsory to open a UK bank account but it is advisable as you may need this for certain purposes.

## BANK ACCOUNTS

You may be asked to provide a 'Bank letter' which can be obtained from Banner Self-Service under the Student Letters section once you are enrolled.

HSBC and Lloyds are the banks most commonly chosen due to their accessibility.



## NHS

All new students can register with the Claypath and University Medical Group. This form will ask you for your NHS number but international students can apply without an NHS number.



When filling out the application form, you will need to enter your term-time address, which will be (if you're a liver-in):  
Hatfield College, North Bailey, Durham,  
DH1 3RQ

# LIVING OUT OF COLLEGE

At Hatfield, we acknowledge that not all freshers students (at all colleges) live in college!

Those that live out are strongly valued amongst the Hatfield community and highly encouraged to engage in college life, events, opportunities, and activities as much as possible!

As students progress in their studies here at Hatfield, many chose to move out of college and into alternative accommodation with roommates.



Any Hatfield student - no matter their accommodation - is welcome to get involved and use college facilities and spaces.

Throughout the year, Hatfield hold livers-out brunches dedicated to inviting all livers-out into college for brunch!

Additionally, livers-out students are **always** welcome in college, to formals, events, drop in sessions, the café and bar, even to meals!

During freshers week, we highly encourage livers-out freshers to come along to College and join in the celebration at no additional cost - it's your freshers week too!



# MOVING IN



# LIVING IN COLLEGE

Time for some more practical housekeeping. Hopefully this will help to answer any questions you may have about your time in college accommodation.

## LOST PROPERTY

If things go astray, then they are likely to be found in the Housekeepers' cupboard. Ask at the Porters' Lodge for items handed in. Claim them quickly to avoid having to buy them back from the local charity shop at the end of term!

## SECURITY

As far as security goes, Hatfield is very safe. With Porters patrolling the premises 24/7, Resident Wardens, and a College Officer on duty every day out of hours, and everyone looking out for each other, any problems can generally be sorted out with ease. We also have locks on external doors to keep out uninvited visitors the codes for which you will be given on arrival. However, though we do our best, you have to take some responsibility.

Don't worry; more guidance on this will be provided in Freshers' Week.

## LAUNDRY

Washing machines and dryers are available in College (next to the Burt Room) as well as in Palmers Garth. We use Circuit Laundry where, after topping up your account online, you can apply it to your Laundry card at the terminal in the Porters Lodge. A wash is £4.20 but drying is FREE!

## POST

Letters are sorted into pigeon holes located in the Porters' Lodge. Make sure to get anyone sending you post to put ALL your initials on anything they send you. Any large items or online purchases can be collected from the Porters' Lodge. Remember to take your campus card with you to collect.

**Postal Address:**  
Hatfield College  
Porter's Lodge  
North Bailey  
Durham  
DH1 3RQ

# LIVING IN COLLEGE

## Appliances

If you use appliances other than those provided by the College, you must make sure they are checked by the College Operations Manager to make sure they are in safe working order ([hatfield.services@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.services@durham.ac.uk))

Take note not to overload electrical circuits by using too many appliances at once. Remember - no block adaptors.

You may NOT have the following in your room

- Electric fires or other types of heaters.
- Toasters, microwaves, kettles, a nuclear reactor, or any other type of cooking appliance.
- Block adaptors.
- Pets - for any reason.

NOTE: If you have a TV, or watch Freeview television channels on another device, you are responsible for acquiring a TV licence.

**If you require a fridge for medical purposes, please contact:  
[hatfield.studentsupport@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.studentsupport@durham.ac.uk)**

## Printing

If you have not brought your own printer with you, Hatfield has an on-site printer in the Library. All you need to do is email the documents you wish to print to [printmono@durham.ac.uk](mailto:printmono@durham.ac.uk) for black and white, or [printcolour@durham.ac.uk](mailto:printcolour@durham.ac.uk) for colour. Then just log into the printer using your CIS username and password.

## Guests

Guests are permitted to stay overnight in College, however they must be signed in at the Porters' Lodge.

## Chapel

The College has a Chapel which is open daily for quiet prayer and reflection. There is an auditioned choir that sings at the weekly Evensong Service on Monday at 6:30pm. The Chapel may be booked for use by members of the College for plays, rehearsals, meetings, etc.

# ROOMS IN COLLEGE

All first years are offered catered accommodation, Hatfield is lucky to occupy a picturesque site on the Bailey by a World Heritage Site, so the College is very well located to anywhere you may want to go in Durham.



We have several different accommodation buildings within Hatfield. We have Bailey Site, as well as Bailey House, which lies less than 5 metres away from the main College gates, as well as Palmers Garth (PG), which is a three minute walk away via Kingsgate Bridge.

We have several different types of rooms, including shared and single rooms, which may be en-suite or have shared bathrooms. The price of your room will be lower if your room is shared/has a shared bathroom. The Key Information Form that students receive before arriving in Durham is used to find the most suitable living arrangements for you in College. Using this information, College will then allocate you a room that they think will best suit, subject to availability. You'll be asked to complete a questionnaire about your preferences and habits so you can be paired with a compatible roommate. For this reason, it is important to be as honest as possible on this form.





# ROOMS IN COLLEGE



Above -  
Gatehouse (main  
college)



Surrounding -  
Bailey House





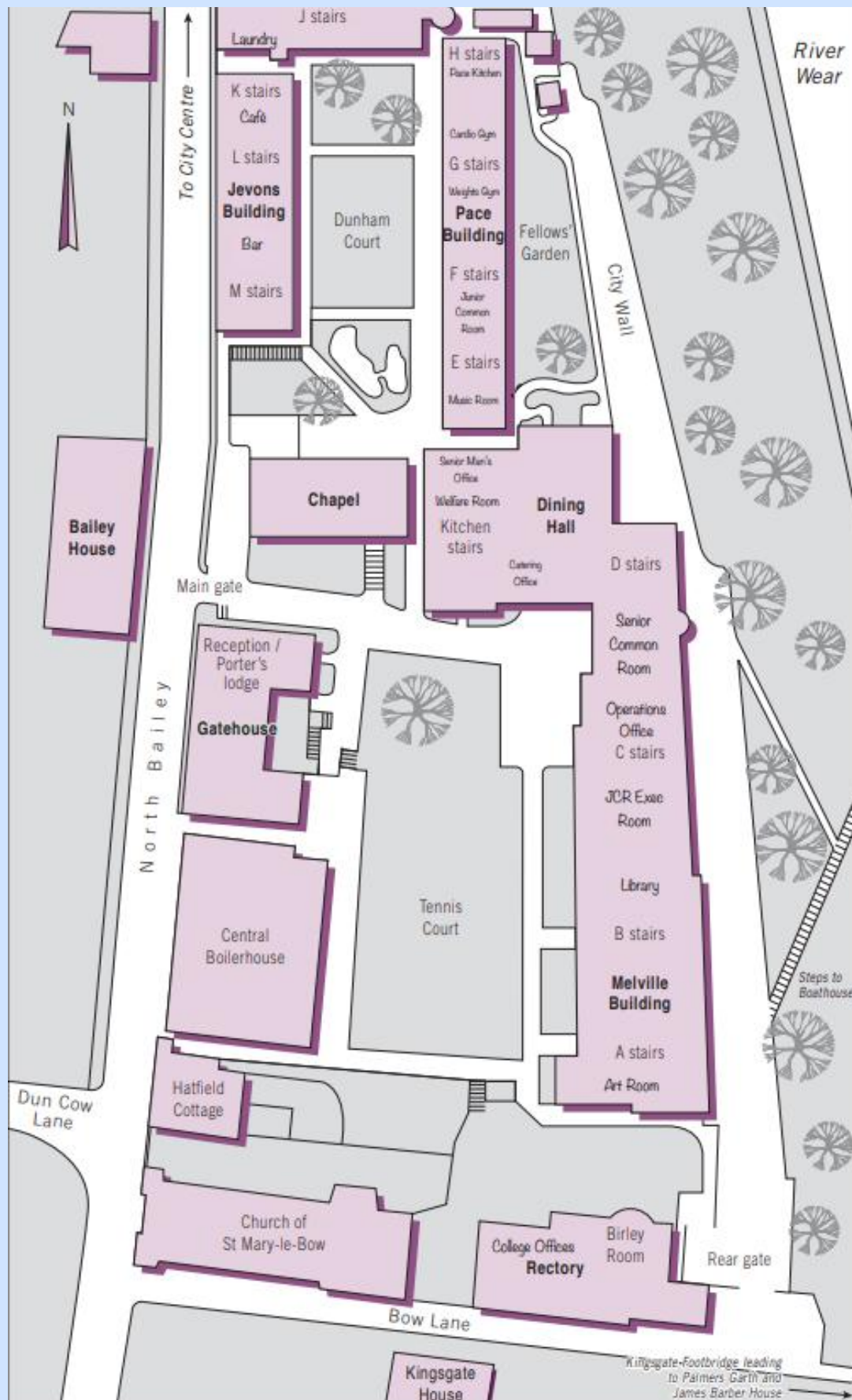
Above - shared room B and D Stairs (Main College)

Below & left - ensuite rooms in Jevons (Main College)

# ROOMS IN COLLEGE



# COLLEGE MAP



# HAVING A ROOM-MATE

Like many other colleges on the Bailey, Hatfield has a number of shared rooms. A small proportion of living-in students have a shared room in their first year. For most, sharing a room with someone who is not in your family is a completely new experience, so taking time to see whether you are suited to the experience will be beneficial. Your answers on the Key Information Form will be used to pair you to a roommate so be as accurate and detailed as you can.

For those who don't end up getting on well with their roommate - this does inevitably happen from time to time - there is a room change process after the first few weeks of term, when we do our best to accommodate requests.

## Pros

- An instant friend - you'll always have someone to talk to, which can help with feeling of loneliness in your first few weeks
- A special bond - having a roommate creates a special kind of bond like you've never experienced before
- A large room - whilst it's shared, the rooms are very generous sizes

## Cons

- Having your own space and some alone time is a bit harder but by no means impossible. You will have to factor your roommate into your plans and be considerate towards them - you wouldn't want to be woken up by someone crashing in at 3am after a night out.

## Tips

- Establish boundaries quickly surrounding quiet time, sleep schedules and tidiness. Lay out your expectations and needs early. Communicate! Create a safe space where you both feel able to say what you need to will make everything go a lot smoother.
- Make an effort to hang out and get to know each other over the first few weeks - you do live together now!
- Be patient - everyone will adjust at their own speed and some may take longer than others to open up.

Although slightly dubious going into having a roommate, I absolutely loved it. Recapping on your day, having someone to bolster you in your low moments, laughing and creating memories from what you thought would be the most mundane evening. And there's something heart warming to always having someone to greet you with a smile.

- Hollie

# PACKING CHECKLIST

What to bring and what to leave when packing can seem like one of the great mysteries of moving to University. So, here is a list of suggested things to bring. This is by no means exhaustive and there may be many things that you feel would be of benefit to you, but you've got to start somewhere!

## Clothes:

- Suits/formalwear/national dress (see definition of academic dress)
- Formal shoes
- Comfy shoes
- Clubbing shoes (these will get a bit dirty)
- Sliders (especially if you share a bathroom)
- Warm jacket/coat (Durham is pretty in winter but also quite cold)  
Hat/gloves/scarf
- Warm jumpers
- Comfy clothes
  - Joggers, hoodies, pyjamas, dressing gown (lifesaver)
- Any sportswear/sports kit you may need
- Day-to-day clothes

## Bedding:

- Duvet - a warm one (a double if you want to be cosy)
- Pillow(s)
- Single mattress topper/protector
- Duvet cover x2
- Bedsheet x2
- Pillowcases
- Blanket
- Cushions

## Decor:

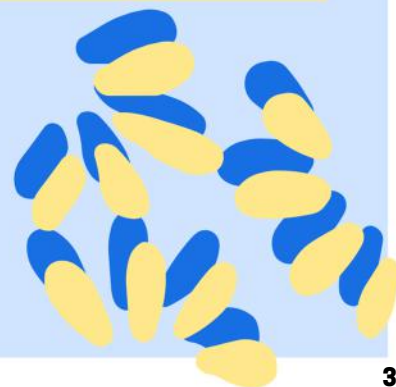
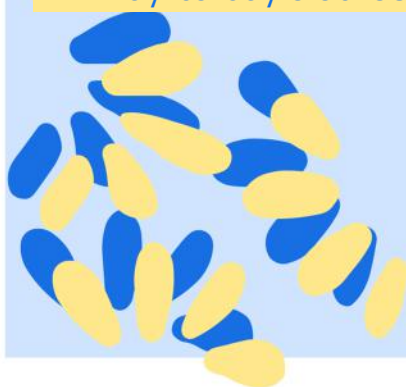
- Photos/posters/tapestries
- Pins (for your pinboard)
- White tac (you will have a designated poster wall)
- Battery operated fairy/LED lights
- House plant (real if you're brave but fake if you're being realistic in your botanical abilities)

## Kitchen basics (as catered):

- Bowls/plates
- Drinking glasses
- Mugs
- A set of cutlery
- Tupperware
- Tea Towel
- Bottle opener
- Washing up liquid

## For the bathroom:

- Towels
- Toiletries
- Shower Caddy
- Shower mat (if an ensuite room)



# PACKING CHECKLIST

## Practical Items

- Laundry basket
- Extension lead
- Clothes Hangers
- Hair brush
- Hair dryer
- Pair of scissors
- Stationery
- Day-to-day bag
- Passport & other forms of ID
- Bags for life

## Random bits:

- Over the door hook
- Mesh laundry bag (to keep your socks together in the wash)
- Doorstop
- Any fancy dress you may have
- Pack of cards
- Basic first aid supplies and medicines (freshers flu gets us all)
- Hot water bottle
- Long phone charger cable
- Portable charger
- Reusable water bottle
- Slippers/slides (for the kitchenette floors that can get a little sticky between cleans)
- Reed diffusers/air fresheners

## Not to Bring

- Common allergens like nuts into shared spaces.
- Electrical items like kettles, coffee machines, toasters, slow cookers, plug in fairy lights etc. (either get battery operated or leave them at home, plus your kitchenette will have a fridge, kettle and toaster)
- Adaptors (all appliances must be compatible with UK plug sockets)
- Candles/incense burners.
- Each staircase has an iron and ironing board so there is no need to bring your own.
- Similarly, you will have access to a vacuum cleaner, so no need to bring one.
- Clothes horse/air dryer - tumble dryers are free and air dryers are known to promote mould and potentially could worsen any coughs and colds you may have
- For safety purposes, we also ask you leave electric heaters at home - don't worry, your room will be heated!

## NOTES:

- Housekeeping staff are able to confiscate items that are prohibited
- Communal spaces (e.g. shared bathrooms) will be cleaned regularly
- Rooms are not cleaned but there will be room checks regularly

# PACKING TIPS

Linen packs are available to purchase from college to save you buying everything individually

If you have access to a sink, you can hand wash underwear and socks instead of using the washing machines

It is often easier to bring less and buy things as you go. This can save you bringing loads of stuff that you'll never need

By all means, bring books to read for pleasure but be realistic how much time you will have around your course and societies - you'll be busier than you think.

Bringing extra underwear and socks cuts down on how often you need to do laundry

A decent-sized suitcase or holdall will make trips home for breaks more convenient

Buying things like toiletries, plants, décor and stationary once you get to Durham can save space in the car

Packing in boxes/reusable bags and vacuum bags that can be folded down and easily stored can make moving out again easier

# MONEY-SAVING HACKS



## **Tesco Clubcard**

Every Hatfield becomes a regular at the Tesco's in Market Square. So why not earn points and get access to club card prices?

TIP: If you have enough, you can use your points for a free railcard or for meal at pizza express!

## **Nectar Card**

If you are more of a Sainsbury's person, you better make it worth the few extra minutes walk by getting those points.

## **UniDays/Student Beans/TOTUM**

Use your Durham email to sign up and enjoy exclusive student discounts across.

## **National Rail Card**

Although an initial investment of your favourite stores and about £30, a rail card will save you money in no time. The 16-25 rail card gets you 1/3 off of your journey. Some student bank accounts offer these as free gifts.

## **Splitwise**

A fantastic budgeting app that allows you to track your expenses, split them with your friends and pay others.



# USEFUL PAGES TO FOLLOW

## **For Freshers' Week info:**

Hatfield Freshers Official  
Facebook group  
@hatfield.freshers  
@durhamsu.freshers

There is always so much going on in both college and across the university, so here's a list of some Instagram and Facebook pages that may be useful to keep up to date. Most societies will also have their own social media accounts to announce their events.

## **Hatfield Specific**

- Hatfield JCR - @hatfieldjcr & Facebook Group
- Hatfield College - @hatfieldcollege
- Senior Man - @hatfieldjcr.seniorman
- Hatfield Welfare - @hatfieldwelfare
- Hatfield Events - @hatfieldevents
- Hatfield Communities - @hatfield.communities
  - LGBTQIA+ - @circle\_of\_pride
  - Feminists - @hatfield\_feminists
  - Internationals - @hatfieldinternationals
  - People of Colour - @hatfield\_POC
  - Low-income and State School- @hatfield.liss

## **University wide:**

- Durham University - Facebook or @durhamuniversity
- Durham Students' Union - Facebook or @durham.su
- Palatinate - Facebook or @palatinateuk/@palatinatevtv
- Overheard at Durham Uni - Facebook
  - This is a buying and selling page with houses, questions, drunken posts etc.
- Tindur - Facebook
- Did someone catch your eye in town? Caught feelings for that housemate, but don't know how to tell them? Tindur is Durham's anonymous confessions page.
- Durfess - Facebook
  - Durham memes, observations, drunken thoughts -Durfess has it all. Oh, and its anonymous.

# ADVICE FOR FRESHERS' WEEK

## Breaking the ice:

- Prop your door open over the first few days to help start conversations with your neighbours.
- Doing errands with your new neighbours is a way to get to know each other in a low pressure environment.
- Visiting places around town can be fun - get to know the city and people at the same time.
- Check out the cathedral, observatory hill, the racecourse...
- Card games are great ways to get everyone involved

## Conversation Starters:

- Have you visited Durham before?
- What societies are you thinking of joining?
- What kind of music are you into?
- Do you play any instruments?
- Do you play a lot of sport?
- Are you thinking of taking up a new sport this year?
- Have you been to breakfast/lunch/dinner yet?
  - Do you fancy going with me?
- How are you finding freshers' week?

## Tips:

- Save the Porters' number in your phone - 0191 334 2619
- Try reaching out to one person before you arrive to have a friendly face
- We do not advise buying the various wristbands for club nights in freshers' week. The official Hatfield Freshers' Week wristband will get you access to all events provided by Hatfield - other wristbands can be a scam!
- You can take a night off if you're tired, especially if you're coming down with freshers' flu.
- You may not find your people in Freshers' Week and that's okay. Take the time to settle into the city. You'll find them in time.
- Remember the Freps are students too who would love to get to know you and be your friend.
- BE YOURSELF.

TOP  
TIPS  
FOR  
YOUR  
FIRST  
YEAR

# WHAT WOULD FREPS SAY TO THEIR FRESHER SELVES?

Make the most of all of the opportunities that come your way, but also take time out for a break every now and again!

It's okay to feel overwhelmed at first, but be open to trying new things and don't let anything hold you back or stop you from having fun.



Establish a balance between work and play. As important as your studies are, first year is an important time for creating a support network and trying new things

You're not going to be best friends with everyone and that's okay.

Sleep occasionally, for the love of God!

Don't put pressure on yourself! Freshers' Week and your whole first term is a complete emotional rollercoaster, so you don't have to give 110% of your energy the whole time. Remember to take time for yourself.

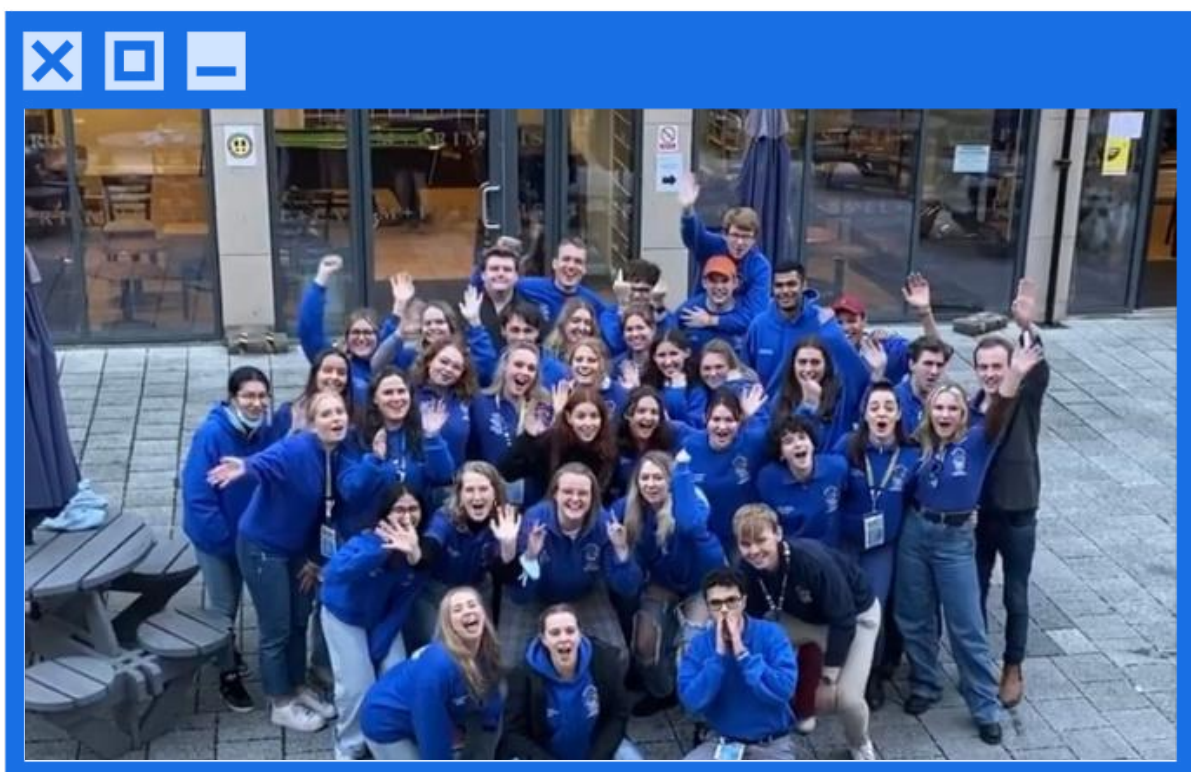
# USING THE FREPS

The Freps are an endless source of knowledge about being a Hatfielder and a member of the University, why not ask us questions about our experience?

The Freps will be wearing their signature blue polo shirts or sweatshirts and will be able to help you with anything you may need. Please don't be afraid to approach them - they love having a chat and have been in the exact same position you are in now!

## Conversation Starters:

- What is your favourite thing about college?
- What societies or communities do you belong to? How do I get involved?
- What's your favourite coffee shop/restaurant/bar in Durham? What is your favourite study spot/library?
- What mistakes did you make in Freshers' that I should avoid making?



# DURHAM DICTIONARY

## Academic dress

Academic dress is smart attire often worn to formal. This could include national dress, a shorter dress, jumpsuit smart trousers, or suit and tie, but excludes jeans, trainers and Doc Martins.

## Academic Gown

The academic gown is part of academic dress. It is something that we wear that makes us all equal as part of the college community. It can be ordered in your pre-arrival tasks. You will wear your gown at matriculation, formal and any other college events that may require it. Legend has it that washing it before you graduate is bad luck...

## Burt Room

The Burt Room is another name for our café and bar space in the Jevon's Courtyard. Come here for some darts, pool, music and to try the infamous college drinks.

## Billy B

The affectionate name for the University's largest library, the Bill Bryson, named after our former chancellor and author.

## CIS Login

Your 6 letter code in the format 'abcd12', which can be found on your campus card

## College songs

Sung in the Burt Room after every formal (and in the quad after the storming of the Castle on Hatfield Day!), college songs are a way for all Hatfielder's to come together and celebrate their college and all its traditions.

## College parents

College Parenting is a mentorship scheme run by our lovely welfare team. If you sign up to the scheme, you will be allocated a set of "parents" - second years, one of whom will do your subject, who decided to get college married.

## College marriage

In order to become College Parents next year, you will need to propose to a chosen friend (or two) and then attend a marriage ceremony on Hatfield Day to officiate your union.

## DSU

Durham Student's Union - the political hub of student life in Durham, with tons of societies to get involved with!

## Ents

A typical Durham abbreviation of the word "entertainments" - covering anything from music to silent discos!



# DURHAM DICTIONARY

## Formals

Formals are one of the best parts of college life! Grab your friends, put on some fancy academic dress and a gown and get ready for a 3-course meal supplied by the wonderful catering staff.

## Formative

A formative piece of work is one that does not count towards your end-of-year mark on your degree. Your first year at Durham is formative but it's still important that you pass, and in the true Hatfield way, strive to be the best that you can be

## Freps

Freps, short for "Freshers Representatives" are the dedicated Hatfield students in blue who have committed two weeks before term starts to help welcome you! If you have any questions at all, don't hesitate to ask them! They are here to help.

## Hatfield Day

Once a year, after exams, the College comes together to celebrate what makes our community special. It's a day filled with celebrations and joy, including storming the Castle and a water fight, as well as live music and other activities. Hatfield Day is one of the highlights in the college calendar!

## JCR

JCR stands for the Junior Common Room. It is a term used for all the undergraduate members who gain membership by paying the JCR levy. You'll get a description of everything that the JCR levy includes from our treasurer in Induction Week, but in short, it gives you discounted tickets to all of Hatfield's wonderful events, as well as use of our common room.

## JCR Exec

The JCR Exec is a democratically elected executive committee made up from members of the JCR. They're dedicated to making your JCR experience as amazing as it possibly can be and cover everything from events to managing the gym!

## Loft Monday's

Club night at Loft held every Monday - one of every Hatfielder's favourite night out!

## Matriculation

Matriculation is the process of officially putting your name down as a student at Durham University, a day filled with celebrations - definitely one to remember. In recent years, we also hold college matriculations in the chapel to officially welcome you as a member of the College.

## Porters

The Porters are a team of college staff who are onsite 24/7 to deal with any issues that you may face. They are reachable by phone at 01913342633.

# DURHAM DICTIONARY

## Porters Lodge

Located by the main College gates on Sadler Street, the Porters' Lodge is where you find the porters, the post room and can top up your laundry card.

## RON

Re-open Nominations - for if you don't like any candidates in a student election

## SHAPED

SHAPED is a student-run Hatfield personal development programme that organises a variety of talks, events, and workshops covering academia, student life, and employability, such as alumni and speed reading and networking workshops.

## Spooning

This is one of Hatfield's many traditions. You'll have to wait and see...

## Stash

University or College-themed clothing that shows the wearer's affiliation to a certain institution. You'll see the Freps sporting wonderful royal blue stash throughout Freshers' Week,

## Senior Man

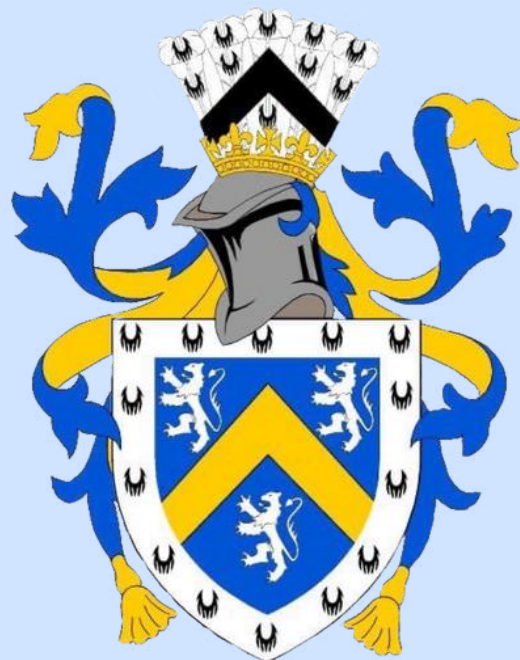
The Senior Man is a democratically-elected student who fulfils the sabbatical role of JCR President. Leading the JCR Exec, the Senior Man plays a massive role in day-to-day college life, whilst also representing the JCR's interests at university-wide meetings. Despite the name, a student of any gender identity may hold this position.

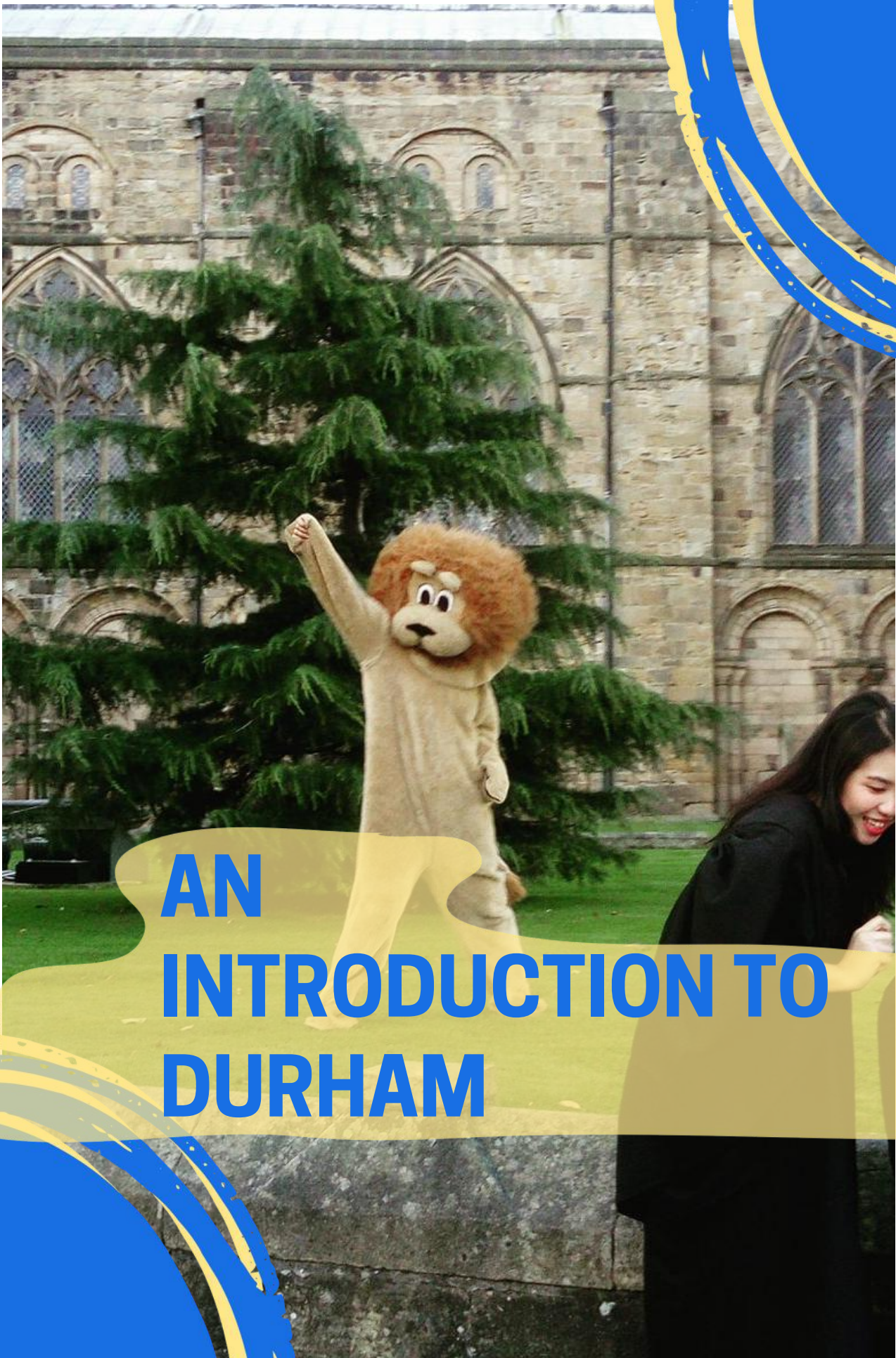
## Summative

A summative piece of work is one that counts towards your end-of-year mark or your degree!

## TLC or Tilly C

The TLC, sometimes called the Tilly C, is another name for our Teaching and Learning Centre. Here you will find some lecture halls, group and individual study spaces, as well as a café. This is a great place to get some work done or socialise.





**AN  
INTRODUCTION TO  
DURHAM**



# WELCOME TO DURHAM

Not only will you find a home in Hatfield, Durham City will also become your new home. With settlements dating back to around 2000BC and many places in the city holding UNESCO World Heritage status, the city is steeped in history and there is so much that you will be able to learn about, or might even be lucky enough to study! The cobbled streets and many hills will soon become familiar to you, and it won't be long before you know your way around the city like the back of your hand.

## Getting Around

Everything is right on your doorstep in Durham! Hatfield is located just a 3 minute walk from the centre of town and is 10 minutes from the Billy B and Science Site. Walking to the furthest colleges out on the Hill will take you about 25 minutes and roughly 30 minutes to Maiden Castle, the University Sports and Wellbeing Park.



The hills are your biggest obstacle here, and there are a lot of them, so walking is recommended over cycling, though people do choose to do both. All this walking means there's plenty of time to take in your beautiful surroundings.

## Weather

The city looks beautiful whatever the weather, however it is best to be prepared for the potentially temperamental weather. You know what they say, there's no bad weather, only bad clothes!

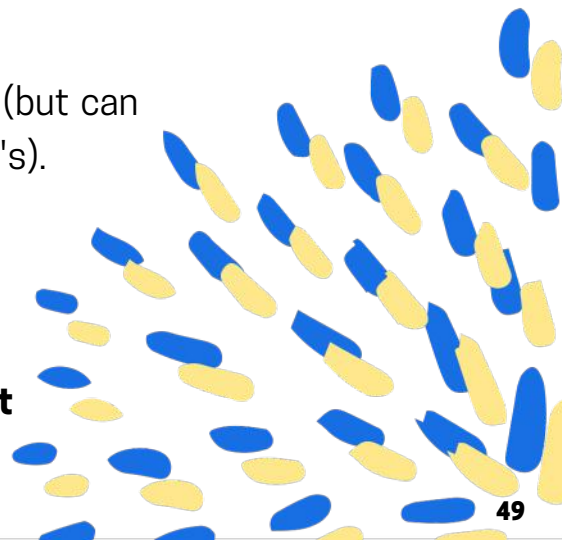
Autumn - 6-12°C

Winter - 3-5°C

Spring - 7-10°C

Summer - 12-25°C (but can get into the high 20's).

There are, on average, between 9 and 13 rainy days a month. **Don't forget an umbrella.**



# DURHAM AND THE NORTH EAST

## History and Culture

We share our beautiful city with rich history and culture! Durham and the North East of England are incredible places to explore during your time here at Durham University - branch out and explore the North East! Along the way, you'll discover much of our vast history, traditions, architecture, and culture. Additionally, throughout the year, noticeable events occur in Durham that are important to the surrounding areas and are a fundamental part of local heritage.



### Durham Cathedral

Built between the years 1093 -1133, Durham Cathedral is a historic masterpiece at the peak of town. A resting site for St Cuthbert, and a UNESCO world heritage site - a brilliant architectural centrepiece full of history!

### Durham Miners' Gala

The North East has a strong Mining background. Dating back to 1871 the Gala is an empowering celebration of trade union and community spirit following the closure of mines and coalfields in the local area. The Gala (aka: the big meeting) features brass band music, a service at the Cathedral, and parades throughout Durham



### Durham Lumiere

Lumiere is a light festival which first took place in Durham in 2009. Involving interactive installations created by artists from all around the world! Often local people and schools collaborate with the festival makers for volunteering opportunities. Lumiere features in Durham biannually in November

# DURHAM AND THE NORTH EAST

More to Explore

Not every minute of your time in Durham will be spent studying! The surrounding area of the North East provides some amazing alternatives to visit during your free time - take in our local attractions and cities!



## Beamish Museum

If you're a history buff, Beamish Museum is a world famous open air museum that tells the story of life in North East England during 1880s-1940s! The Beamish Hall Hotel is a stunning venue often booked for University balls - history and entertainment in one place!

## Seaham

Seaham is a lively harbour town on Durham's Heritage Coast filled with history and community. Try and find some world famous sea glass on the beautiful beaches, or visit the local shops and cafes on the marina! Want to relax? Visit Seaham Hall Serenity Spa an award winning spa to take your mind of studying. Only a 20 min journey to one of the North East's most inviting coastal towns.



## Newcastle

A beautiful city that's only a 10 min train ride from Durham. United by seven iconic bridges, Newcastle is a bustling city full of shopping centres, museums, restaurants and an incredible nightlife famously visited by Durham students! Visit the theatre for some showstopping attractions, or the arenas for musical performances.

# ACADEMIC LIFE

## Workload:

Whilst you will be attending one of the country's top universities, the workload in your first year shouldn't be unbeatable. It's perfectly possible to establish an efficient work-life balance.

Contact hours will vary depending on your course. Those studying humanities subjects should expect roughly 7-12 hours a week of contact, whilst science students this will be around 20-24 hours.

As a result, a lot of your workload will fall into independent study time. This could be reading, writing essays or prepping for upcoming lectures, seminars, tutorials or labs.

Managing your time is important but you should never feel overwhelmed. If you do, there are many you can turn to for help!



### Academic Advisors:

Every student is given an Academic Advisor from your department who will be able to support you with your essays, the workload and other personal struggles.

### The Terms:

Michaelmas - Term 1  
Epiphany - Term 2  
Easter - Term 3

Teaching is mainly spread across Michaelmas and Epiphany with exams in Easter Term.

### Durham Student Union:

The Durham Student Union (DSU) is the representative body of all students of the University. Working very closely with College JCRs and the University, the Union's sabbatical officers strive to elevate the voices of students in matters that will affect us. The DSU also has a huge range of clubs and societies - from Taylor Swift to Hill Walking, Champagne to Theatre. There's something for everybody.

**See:** <https://www.durhamsu.com/>



# IMPOSTER SYNDROME



You should be immensely proud of yourself for having been accepted to one of the country's top universities, regardless of your family or educational background. We have all had different paths to get here and whether Durham was your aspiration or your second choice, it is your home now and that unites us all.

With coming to such a prestigious University many students can suffer from Imposter Syndrome - a psychological pattern in which an individual doubts their accomplishments and has a persistent, internalised fear of being exposed as a "fraud".

It is perfectly normal to feel anxious, uneasy and scared about the environment into which you are arriving. That is something that many people are also struggling with - even the people you may be comparing yourself too.

For support or guidance, please reach out to your Academic Advisor, Department, Hatfield Student Support, Hatfield Welfare, or the Hatfield POC, Disabled, Mature Student, First Generation Scholar's Network, International Students, and LISS Communities.

## Dealing with Imposter Syndrome

- Seek feedback from people you trust.
  - Getting the perspectives of friends, course mates, or staff, may show you that you are not alone in feeling this - remember the Freps are always around for a chat
- Don't be afraid to make mistakes
  - Getting things wrong is all a part of the University experience
- Be yourself.
- There's no one single look for a successful student, allow yourself to be who you are.
- Make a list of your accomplishments
  - Sometimes it's helpful to look at your past accomplishment and success
- Don't bottle it up.
  - Allow yourself the space to feel without judgement.

# SUPPORT CONTACTS FOR YOUR DEPARTMENT



Academic performance at university is often described by students as a rollercoaster, with both its ups and its downs. And so, it is useful to know when and how you can reach out for support. Despite Durham's excellent support culture, it can be hard to know whom to contact under certain circumstances. In general, you can contact your department's support team to request extensions, ask for advice, or inform them of current circumstances when may be impacting your academic performance. Remember that you also have Hatfield Student Support and your academic advisor to turn to for academic-related issues! More information on the support available to you throughout your time at Durham and Hatfield listed later in this handbook.

## **Accounting**

[business.ug.accounting@durham.ac.uk](mailto:business.ug.accounting@durham.ac.uk)

## **Anthropology**

[anthropology.dugs@durham.ac.uk](mailto:anthropology.dugs@durham.ac.uk)

## **Archaeology**

[arch.ugsecretary@durham.ac.uk](mailto:arch.ugsecretary@durham.ac.uk)

## **Biosciences**

[biosci.studentsupport@durham.ac.uk](mailto:biosci.studentsupport@durham.ac.uk)

## **Chemistry**

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## **Classics & Ancient History**

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## **Combined Honours (Social Sciences)**

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## **Computer Science**

[cs.ugoffice@durham.ac.uk](mailto:cs.ugoffice@durham.ac.uk)

## **Earth Sciences**

[earth.ugadmin@durham.ac.uk](mailto:earth.ugadmin@durham.ac.uk)

## **Economics & Finance**

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## **Government & International Affairs**

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## **History**

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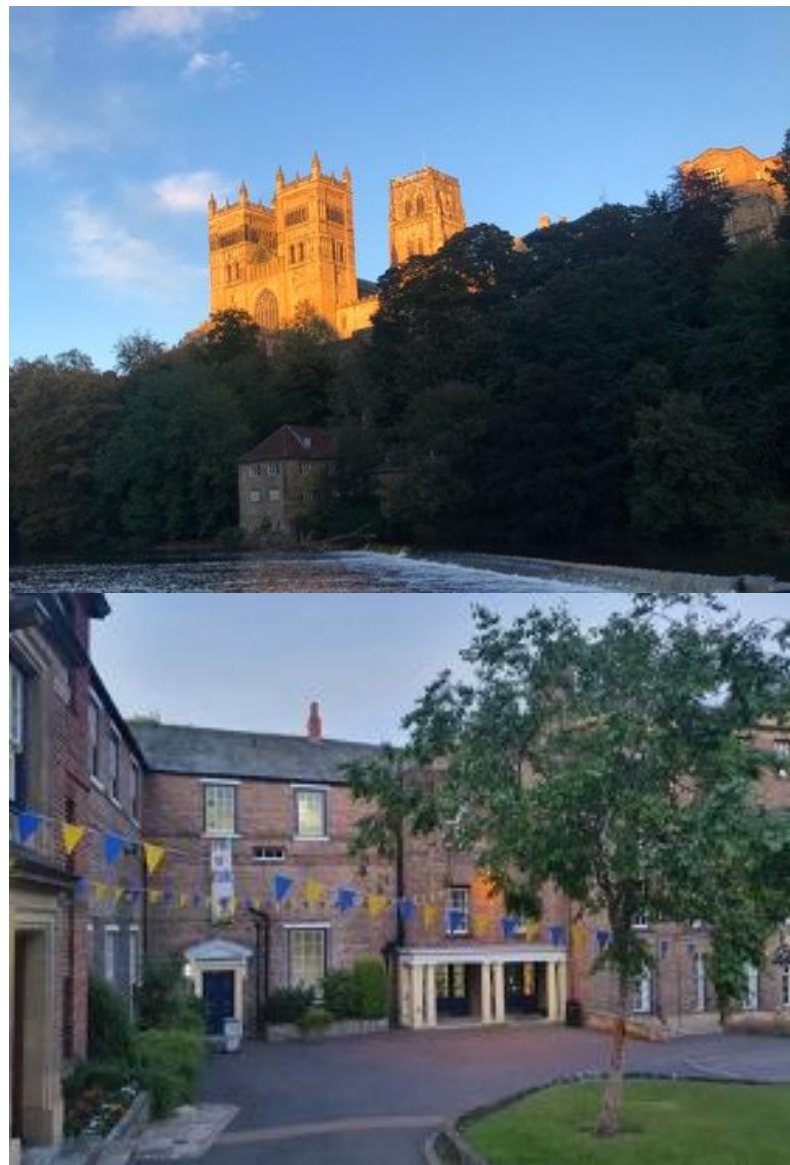
sociology.ugadmin@durham.ac.uk

## Sport

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## Theology & Religion

theo.ugadmin@durham.ac.uk



# STUDY SPACES

Changing your work environment can be a healthy habit. Durham boasts a range of study spaces: whether you are looking for a quiet, lively or calming atmosphere to crack on with that summative, there is something for everyone.

## Bill Bryson Library (Billy B)

**Opening hours:** Usually open 24/7 during term time

**Availability:** 1800 available spaces

**Facilities:** Café, PCs, study rooms, group study rooms and printing facilities

**Vibe:** The biggest library with a range of study spaces. Level 1 and 2 tend to be more relaxed with some chatting, whereas levels 3 and 4 are quiet zones where food consumption is not allowed.



## Teaching and Learning Centre (TLC/Tilly C)

**Opening hours:** Mon-Sun, 9am-8pm

**Facilities:** Café, PCs, study rooms, group study rooms and printing facilities

**Vibe:** A light, open space with a lively café, large group tables and individual pods.



## Leazes Road Library

**Opening hours:** Mon-Fri, 9am-8pm; Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, 2pm-8pm

**Availability:** 168 spaces

**Facilities:** PC rooms, group study rooms and vending machines

**Vibe:** Chilled atmosphere with sofa.



## Hatfield Library

**Opening hours:** 24/7 during term time

**Availability:** ~30 study spaces

**Facilities:** PC (computer room) and study spaces

**Vibe:** Studious basement vibes, perfect for that last minute formative/summative.





# STUDY SPACES

## Palace Green Library

**Opening hours:** Mon-Sun, 9am-5pm

**Facilities:** On-site café and special collections

**Vibe:** A very historic and smaller library that is breathtakingly beautiful.



## Durham Student Union (DSU)

**Opening hours:** Mon-Sat, 8am-11pm; Sun, 10am-10pm

**Availability:** 250 spaces outside/inside

**Facilities:** DSU café

**Vibe:** Café vibes, usually quiet



## Durham Botanical Garden

**Opening hours:** Mon-Sun, 9am-5pm, free entry for Durham students

**Facilities:** Picnic benches

**Vibe:** Perfect if you want to immerse yourself in the great outdoors



## Calman Learning Centre

**Opening hours:** Mon-Sun, 8am-5:30pm

**Availability:** 140 spaces

**Facilities:** Café, PCs and vending machines

## Durham Clayport Library

**Opening hours:** Mon-Sat, 8am-11pm; Sun, 10am-10pm

**Facilities:** PCs, printing and ground study spaces

**Vibe:** The perfect library if you want to escape the student bubble



# BUYING COURSE MATERIALS

Although the University library does stock the majority of required texts (some of which are also available in the College library) in print or digitally, you may wish, or be required to have your own. Buying all your textbooks, books and other course materials can be expensive and overwhelming if you don't know where to look. Here are a few recommendations of places to check out for new and second-hand editions, as well as audiobooks and online PDFs.

## Free Online Sources:

- Project Gutenberg - <https://www.gutenberg.org/>
  - An online database of many copyright-free texts for online viewing and download
- Kindle/Google Playbooks
  - Many copyright-free books are available free for download
- Libby
  - Your home library membership may include access to this online platform of audiobooks and ebooks for free..

## Shops in Durham

- University Bookshop (Waterstones) - Sadler Street
  - This is the official university bookshop
- Oxfam Bookshop - Elvet Bridge
  - Charity bookshop largely selling classics and contemporary reads

## Run by Students

- DSU/your department may run a second-hand book sale
- UniHustl (@unihustl)
  - Student run platform for students to sell old course material

## Online Shops

- Amazon
  - Don't forget about the 6-month Student Prime deal
- Blackwells -
  - [Blackwells.co.uk/bookshop/home](https://www.blackwells.co.uk/bookshop/home) [AbeBooks - www.abebooks.co.uk/](https://www.abebooks.co.uk/)
- World of Books. -
  - [www.worldofbooks.com/en-gb](https://www.worldofbooks.com/en-gb)

# CAFÉS, RESTAURANTS AND BARS MAP

Despite the relative small size of the city, Durham is brimming with quaint coffee shops, tasty restaurants, nice bars, and quirky nightclubs. Here's a collection of our favourites!

## RESTAURANTS:

### **La Spaghetta (Saddler Street)**

- Italian
- Top tip: if you order the house wine, you get free garlic bread

### **Fat Hippo (Saddler Street)**

- Burgers
- Top tip: go during Hippo Hour for really great discounts

### **Food Pit (Framwellgate Waterside)**

- Street food
- Top tip: sit out front for a fantastic view of the Cathedral

### **Nkd Bird (North Bailey)**

- Fast food
- Top tip: Get more chicken instead of chips

### **Barrio Comida (Church Street)**

- Mexican
- Top tip: bring your student card for discounts on cocktails

### **Paddy's Pizza (Elvet Bridge)**

### **Urban Oven (Claypath)**

- Fast food
- Top tip: if you don't fancy tea and toast hit up these places after a night out

## CAFES:

### **Vennel's (Saddler Street)**

Hatfield's favourite: loaded jacket potato's

### **Cafédral (Owengate)**

Hatfield's favourite: fruit scones

### **Leonard's (Back Silver Street)**

Hatfield's favourite: veggie brunch

### **Bellie E Brutti (North Bailey)**

Hatfield's favourite: gelato

### **Flat White (Saddler Street)**

Hatfield's favourite: cakes

### **Whitechurch (Church Street)**

Hatfield's favourite: hot chocolate (the best in Durham)

### **Chapters (Elvet Bridge)**

Hatfield's favourite: chocolate brownies

### **Riverview Kitchen (Silver Street)**

Hatfield favourite: pancakes

### **The Pancake Café (Crossgate)**

Hatfield's favourite: milkshakes and sundaes

### **The Paw-some Cat Café (North Road)**

Hatfield's favourite: hot chocolate with cream and marshmallows - the cats will love you

# CAFÉS, RESTAURANTS AND BARS MAP

## Bars

- The Swan & Three Cygnets The
- Half Moon Inn
- The Angel
- The Dun Cow Inn
- The Three Bridges
- The Bishop's Mill (Wetherspoons)
- Revolution
- Fabio's
- The Library
- Slug & Lettuce

## Clubs

- Jimmy Allen's (AKA Jimmys)
- Fowlers
- Loft
- Babylon
- Bohemia Durham
- Lloyds (Disco Spoons)
- Osbournes (AKA Ozzies)

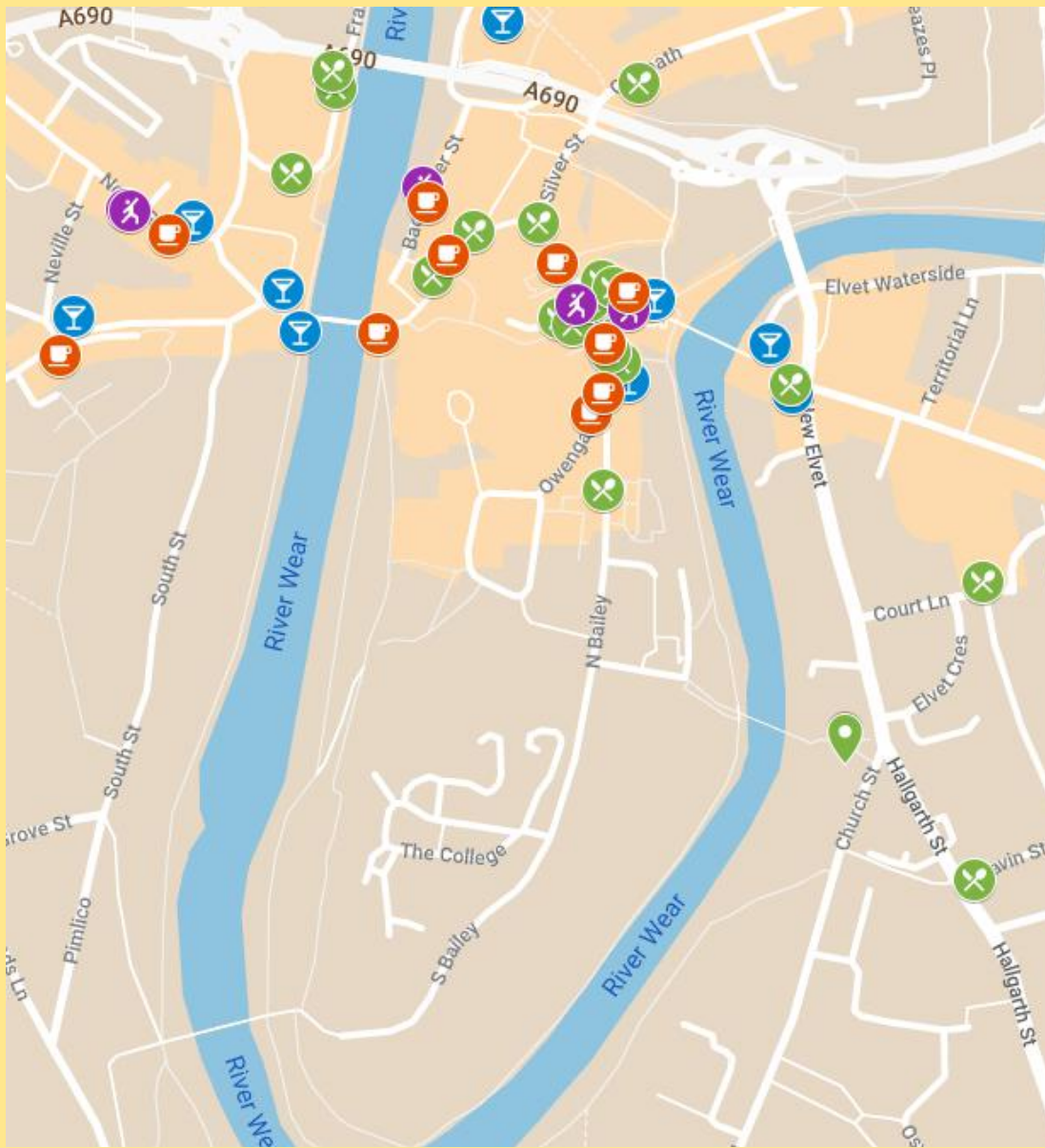


## ALCOHOL FINE

Please note that it is **illegal** to **carry** or **consume alcohol** which has been **opened** in the street or in **public places in Durham City** under the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. You could be **fined up to £1000** if you do so.



# CAFÉS, RESTAURANTS AND BARS MAP



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|---------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| Old Toms Gin Bar          | La Spaghattata                 | Vennels Café           |
| Revolution Durham         | Lebaneat                       | Flat White Kitchen     |
| Swan & Three Cygnets      | Fat Hippo Durham               | Leonard's Coffee House |
| The Half Moon Inn         | Zizzi - Durham                 | Caffè Nero             |
| The Library               | Pizza Express                  | Riverview Kitchen      |
| Blue Eye                  | The Cellar Door                | Cafédral Durham        |
| The Bishops' Mill         | nkdBIRD                        | BELLI E BRUTTI         |
| Slug & Lettuce - Durham   | Subway                         | The Pancake Cafe       |
| The Angel                 | Tapas Factory                  | Chapters of Durham     |
| Tin Of Sardines Gin Bar - | Pizza Punks Durham             | Whitechurch Durham     |
| The Bishops' Mill         | Turtle Bay Durham              | The Pawsome Cat Cafe   |
| The Three Bridges         | The Rabbit Hole                |                        |
| FOWLERS YARD              | Zen                            |                        |
| Jimmy Allens              | Barrio Comida                  |                        |
| Babylon Durham            | Rudy's Pizza Napoletana - D... |                        |
| Loft Durham               | Uno Momento                    |                        |
| Fabio's Bar               | Bells                          |                        |
|                           | The Food Pit                   |                        |
|                           | Paddy's                        |                        |
|                           | Urban Oven (Durham)            |                        |

# DURHAM BUCKET LIST

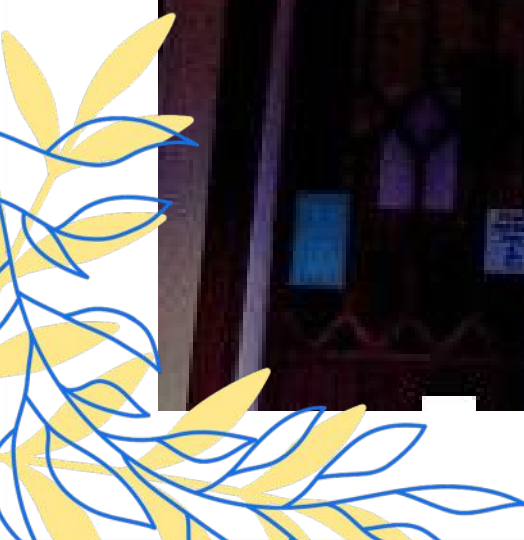


It really is true that your time at University will fly by. Because of this, we have created a bucket list of things we think that every Durham student should do before they graduate. How many will you tick off?

1. Visit the Cathedral
2. Have a Tindur written about you
3. Spend a late night in Billy B
4. Watch a sunrise/sunset from Observatory Hill
5. Hire a rowing boat
6. Visit the alpacas in the Old Durham Gardens
7. Visit the Botanic Gardens
8. Visit Newcastle
9. Visit a local beach
10. Play sport at Maiden Castle
11. Beat Castle in a sports game
12. Visit every block in college
13. Get college-married
14. Experience a ball, bop and formal
15. Participate in Hatfield Day
16. Learn all the words to the college song
17. Complete the all-college bar crawl (rumour has it that the fastest it can be done in is 2 hours and 2 minutes! Could you beat that? Bonus points if you try every college drink!)
18. Try the Hatfield Lioness and Tickler (or nonalcoholic Giggler) in the college bar
19. Stay in Jimmys until "Angels" is played
20. Hold a position in the JCR
21. Become a Frep!
22. Climb to the top of the Cathedral (apparently it is bad luck to do so before you graduate - you have been warned!)



# LOOKING AFTER YOURSELF



# LOOKING AFTER YOURSELF AT UNIVERSITY

Starting University can be an exciting unknown and can be accompanied by feelings of nervousness and apprehension - trust us, we've all been there. At the heart of our Hatfield ethos and community is a culture of support, and so you can rest assured that if you are facing any worries that there is always someone here for you. From our much loved college families to our student support team, Hatfielders want to make sure you feel at home. So allow us to introduce you to some friendly faces you can turn to whenever you may need!

## The Freps

Not only are the Freps your very own Hatfield tour guides, but they can become some of your closest friends whilst at Durham. Despite being dressed in that ICONIC blue polo, they are just normal, friendly students who simply want to help you have the best time possible at Hatfield. Feel free to ask them about anything related to University life at all and they will give you the honest answer - trust us!



## Hatfield Welfare

- A team of fellow Hatfielders who dedicate their spare time to helping you make the most out of your time at Durham. What do they do?
- Host regular **confidential\* one-on-one sessions** in the cosy Welfare Room, facilitated by a trained Welfare Rep, which is organised via an online form.
- Run engaging and relevant **campaigns** on topics covering student wellbeing and community issues such as Tea and Toast!
- Ensure you are never without your home comforts, with endless **free supplies** of student necessities such as sanitary products, condoms, stationery, stress balls and coffee!
- Be sure to say hello to **Dana** (Welfare Officer) and the rest of the team this Freshers' Week!

See their confidentiality policy in the signposting handbook





# LOOKING AFTER YOURSELF AT UNIVERSITY

## Hatfield Student Support

Hatfield Student Support team, headed by **Assistant Master, Nic Kendall**, are your point of contact for wellbeing support, signposting and general enquiries. Contact the Student Support Office via [hatfield.studentsupport@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.studentsupport@durham.ac.uk) to make an appointment. The Student Support Office is on the ground floor of the Old Rectory Building. Your **Student Support Officer** is **Sharon Swales**. A lot of useful information can also be found on the Student Support Hub [Student Support](#)



## College Families

If you have opted to join a college family, you will soon receive college "parents" upon joining Hatfield. They are here to support you settling into Durham life and can answer any questions you may have about your course. They can be an invaluable resource and can often become some of your closest friends. Then, at the end of first year, you can get married and apply for your own college children to keep the family tree going.

## College Mentors

Personal development, is highly encouraged at Hatfield. Our College Mentors play their part in ensuring that all students can grow and flourish. All first year students are allocated a College Mentor, but as you progress into subsequent years you can opt-in to having a Mentor each year. Mentors will try and answer any queries you have, and listen to any concerns you have, as well as pointing you in the direction of services who can help

## Academic Advisors

Most departments allocate you an Academic Advisor which you have throughout your time at Durham. Usually you meet them one-to-one once a term, although this can be more or less depending on your needs. You can talk to them about any academic or pastoral issues you are facing, or be used as a reference when applying for jobs in the future.

## Further Notable Services

### **Counselling service:**

[counsel.service@durham.ac.uk](mailto:counsel.service@durham.ac.uk)

### **Disability service:**

[disability.support@durham.ac.uk](mailto:disability.support@durham.ac.uk)

### **Durham Nightline:**

[www.durhamnightline.com](http://www.durhamnightline.com)

# REPORT AND SUPPORT

At Hatfield College, we prioritise the well-being and safety of every member of our community. The **Report & Support** system at Durham University is here to help you if you ever face or witness harassment, discrimination, bullying, or anything that makes you feel uncomfortable. It's a way to make sure everyone feels safe and respected.

## What Is Report & Support?

There are **two ways** to report via the university:

- **Anonymous Reporting:** If you're not ready to share your details, you can still report an incident anonymously. It's a way to speak up without revealing your identity.
- **Report with Contact Details:** If you're comfortable sharing, you can provide your contact info so the support team can follow up with you directly and offer personalised help.

Support: Whether you report anonymously or with your details, **you'll have access to the support you need**—like counselling, advice, and other resources from both college and the university

## What is support available for:

No matter how you report or even if you don't, the **system is here to support you**. You can get help for numerous reasons, including but not limited to:

- Bullying and Harassment
- Hate Incidents
- Sexual Misconduct and Violence
- Domestic Abuse
- Spiking
- Online Harassment

**Link to the University's Report and Support Website:**

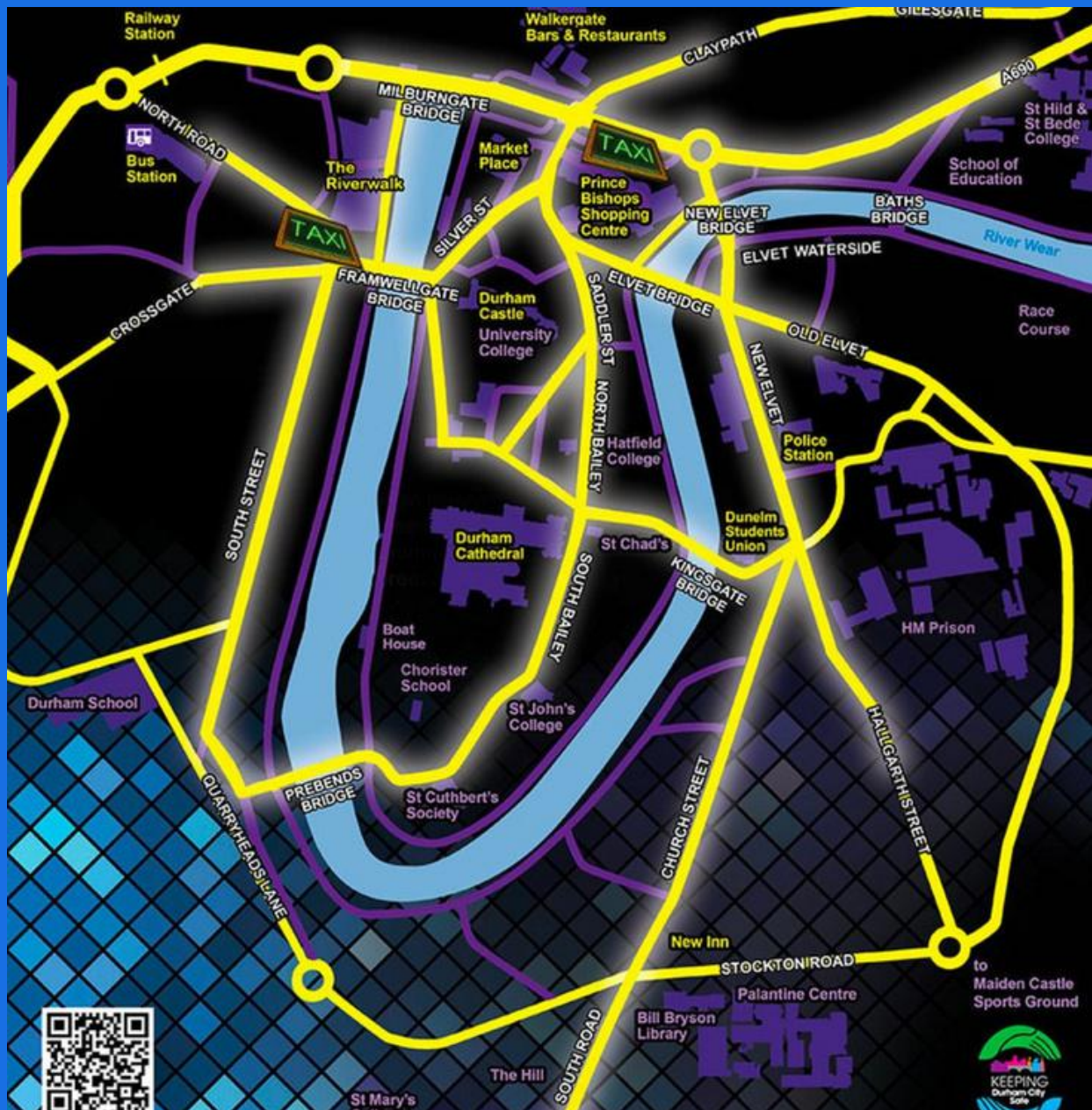


# GETTING OUT AND AROUND SAFELY



# STREET-LIT ROUTES

Although Durham is a safe city, not all paths are lit at night. For your own safety we strongly advise only walking along the street-lit routes highlighted by this map and avoiding walking along the river at night. We also recommend that you try and walk with at least one friend.



# RIVER SAFETY

Part of the attractiveness of Durham is the River Wear that flows around the peninsula of the Bailey, on which the Cathedral and Castle sit.

Whilst it is to be enjoyed, despite its calm appearance, the risks and dangers are very real. The river can be fast moving, making it difficult to swim with plenty of debris beneath the water line that is not clearly visible. Also, in the winter, it can be particularly cold.

Take care at all times around the river. **Never walk along the riverbank during hazardous weather conditions or at night.**



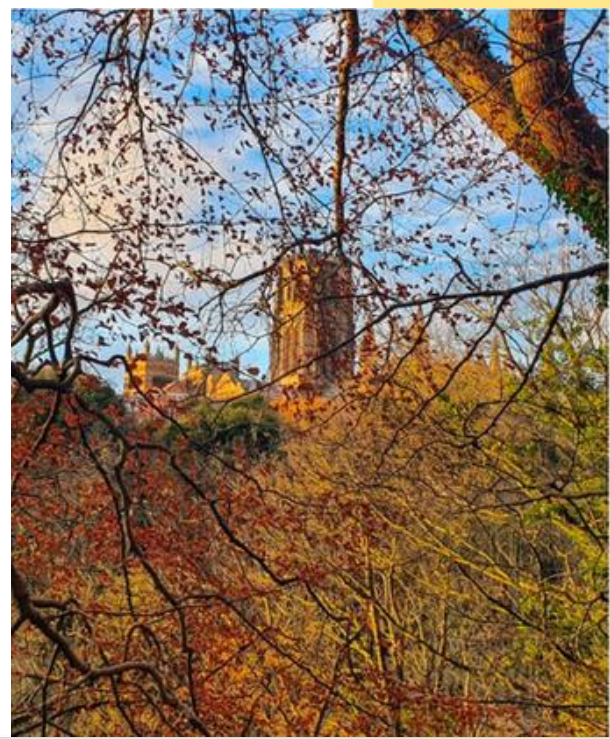
Sexual Health is covered by County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust who provide sexual health services across County Durham. Sexual health encompasses the advice and services that are provided around contraception, relationships, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), pregnancy and sexual and reproductive health.

## GUM and CASH clinics

These clinics are run by specially trained sexual health nurses offering free contraception as well as confidential advice and testing and treatments for STIs. The local GUM clinic can be found on the 1st floor of the University Hospital of North Durham. Appointments are preferred, and can be made by contacting the hub directly during opening days and times at 0191 333 2660.

They also hold queue and wait sessions which do not require an appointment on Monday 9am-3:30pm and Wednesdays 9am-11:30am.

Top tip: Sign up for a C-card during Freshers' Week to get free sexual health supplies such as condoms and lube. Boots Market Place and Boots North Road are 2 of the 200 outlets where you can use your C-card in County Durham and Darlington.



# HEALTHCARE

## REGISTERING WITH A GP

You should ensure you've registered with a local GP as soon as possible, to make sure you have access to healthcare whilst in Durham, should you need it.

All new students can register with the **Claypath and University Medical Group** at [www.campusdoctor.co.uk/durham](http://www.campusdoctor.co.uk/durham) via a quick and easy form. This form will ask you for your NHS number. If you are a home student, you should have an NHS number that can be found on past prescriptions, a medical letter or by the NHS website or app. International students can apply without an NHS number.

When filling out the application form, you will need to enter your term-time address, which will be (if you're a liver-in):

**Hatfield College, North Bailey, Durham, DH1 3RQ**

If you do decide to register with a doctor in Durham, you will most likely be allocated to The Claypath and University Medical Group. More information can be found here: [www.durhamstudenthealth.co.uk/](http://www.durhamstudenthealth.co.uk/)

**TOP TIP:** Some students may be eligible to receive help with medical cost by qualifying for a HC1 certificate. The assessment and application are free, quick and easy, and you can pick up a form at most GP practices, pharmacies and hospitals or download one online. This would entitle you to free NHS prescriptions, dental treatment, eye tests and more.

NHS Accident and Emergency (also known as casualty or an emergency department) deal with genuine life-threatening emergencies. A&E departments offer 24 hour service, 365 days a year. Call 111 for non-emergency advice.

Durham's A&E department is located at the University Hospital of North Durham about a 10 minute drive from the city centre.

If you are an international student and would like to know more about how the NHS works for an international student, UKCISA provides a comprehensive guide: ([www.ukcisa.org.uk](http://www.ukcisa.org.uk)),



# DENTAL PRACTICES



Dental practices are available throughout Durham if you have a dental emergency, or need dental treatment. Here are a list of some local practices.

## **Claypath Dental Practice (NHS)**

71 Claypath, Durham  
0191 386 5375

<https://www.nhs.uk/services/dentist/claypath-dental-practices/X24553>

## **Elvet Dental Practice (NHS)**

18 Old Elvet, Durham  
0191 384 8231

<https://www.nhs.uk/services/dentist/elvet-dental-practices/V001257>

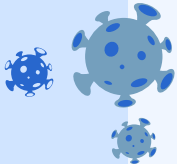
## **Bupa Dental Care Durham (NHS or private)**

2A Maynards Row, Durham  
0191 384 4422

<https://www.bupa.co.uk/dental/dental-care/practices/durham>

# VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS

Generally, there are several vaccinations that you may want to get when joining University, including the Meningitis ACWY, MMR and flu jab. You can get a jab at pharmacies, the hospital, or your local GP practice.



## **MENINGITIS ACWY**

Many school vaccination programmes include this as one of the vaccinations you receive at secondary school, so it is important to check with either your GP practice or in your records stated on the NHS app as to whether you require this.



## **COVID-19**

The coronavirus (Covid-19) vaccines are safe and effective, they give you and others the best protection against Covid-19. We encourage all students to ensure they have their Covid-19 vaccinations or book as soon as possible.



## **MEASLES, MUMPS AND RUBELLA (MMR)**

The MMR vaccine, usually given in childhood, is essential in universities where close contact raises the risk of mumps and rubella. It is greatly encouraged by the University to protect both individual students and the entire campus.

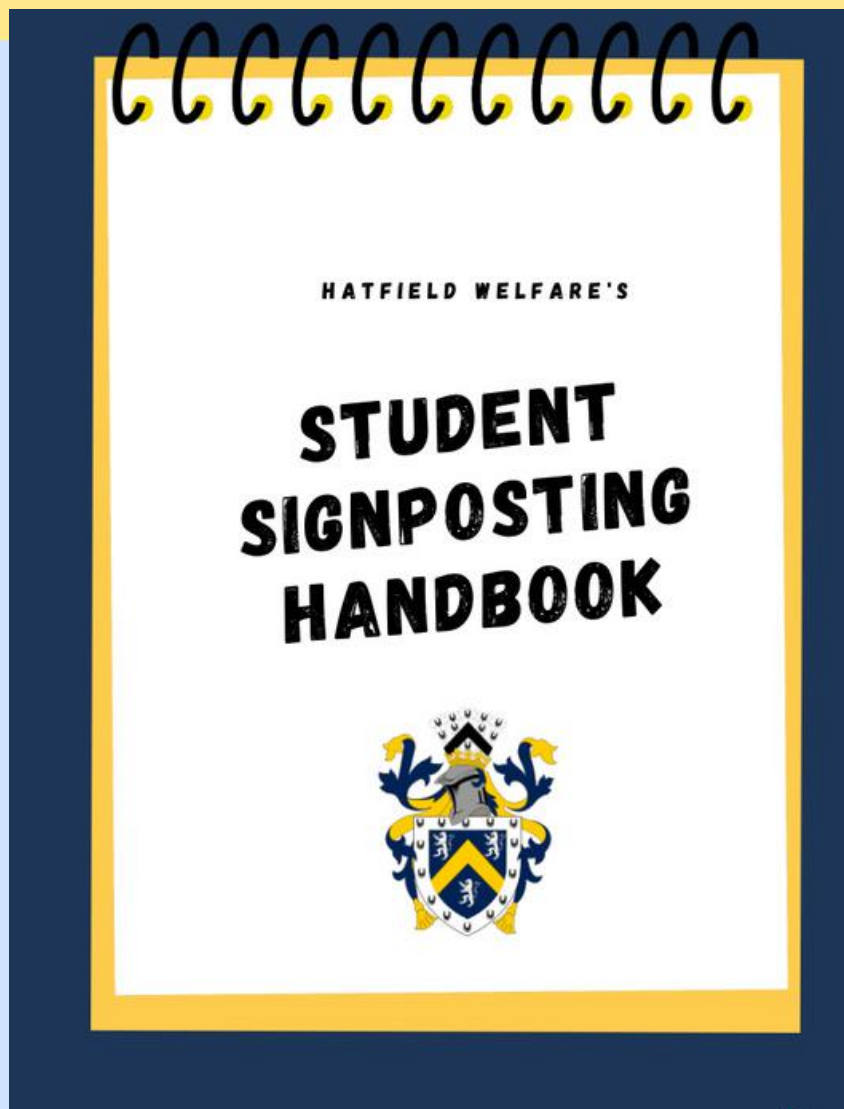




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## Including information on:

- Academic Support
- Financial Hardship
- The Counselling Service
- Sexual Misconduct and Violence
- Disability Support
- Bullying and Harassment
- Chaplaincy
- The DSU and Associations
- Welfare Drop-ins
- Livers-Out Support



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# Hatfield Association

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***Congratulations Hatfield Fresher!*** You've three (or four) extraordinary years ahead of you as a Hatfield undergraduate – but they will pass like a flash. However, *Once a Hatfielder, always a Hatfielder*, and wherever you want to go next, we're here to help you get there.

The Hatfield Association's job is to support all Hatfielders, in College and, especially, as alumni in the world beyond – and keep them in touch.



Alumni at the Hatfield Association Reunion Dinner

Run by Hatfielders for Hatfielders, the Association is a community some five thousand strong, whose members, between them, represent eight decades of *The Hatfield Spirit*.

## The Hatfield Association Offers:

- Vast networking opportunities, with Hatfield alumni working in an enormous variety of fields
- Careers advice
- The *Hatfield Record* – online and in print
- An annual Reunion Weekend and other brilliant opportunities to keep in you touch with your friends

**Life membership** costs just £25 - brilliant value for money - on average life-expectancy that's 36p a year!

But don't just take our word for it, go to [https://youtu.be/kj-A\\_hocTYM](https://youtu.be/kj-A_hocTYM)

***Sign up to join the Hatfield Association at.....INSERT ECOMMERCE LINK***

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