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Upcoming Events

Happy New Year! 🎉

Welcome to this month's edition of the newsletter!

This edition highlights:

- Student Inductions
- Navigating Success: Moodle & CRM
- Academic Integrity
- Bullying, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct
- Student Success, Alumni, Placements
- Alumni spotlight
- Term Dates



Student Team Building Activities

Letter from Dean, Student Success and Experience

Dear Students,
Happy New Year, and welcome to a new semester at Scholars School System. I would like to recognise the hard work, determination, and enthusiasm you bring to our academic community. Scholars School System is more than a place of study; it is a space to grow personally and professionally, explore your interests, and build lasting connections through our alumni network.
A warm welcome to our new students joining us this semester. We are delighted to have you with us and look forward to supporting you on your academic journey.

This semester brings many opportunities, including academic workshops, employability sessions, and student activities. I encourage you to get involved and make the most of your time here. Please remember that the Student Support and Experience Team is always available to support you whenever needed.

Wishing you all a successful and inspiring semester ahead.

Warm regards,
Dr Gary Jones
Dean Student Success & Experience



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Student Inductions

Your Journey Begins Here!

We recently had an induction programme across all campuses to warmly welcome our new Cohort 18 students. The sessions are designed to introduce our mission, vision, and values, and to help students learn about the range of services available to support them throughout their studies, as well as to make new connections and start their journey with confidence as part of the SSS community.

Induction Week

- 👋 Meet fellow students and get introduced to key staff who'll support you throughout your studies.
- 🏠 Settle into your new environment and feel at home on campus.
- 💻 Explore your campus and virtual learning platforms like Moodle and the Student Portal.
- 📁 Course Induction – Learn about your course, expectations, and key milestones.
- 👤 Meet your lecturers and academic team.
- 📅 Understand your programme structure and how your learning will be delivered.
- 📝 Complete your registration and ID verification.
- 🌐 Learn how to use your Student Portal for attendance, submissions, and updates.
- 📖 Gain access to the library, academic support, career advice, and health services.
- 🎉 Make friends, build your network, and have some fun along the way!

Meet Your Teams:

Student Support & Experience - To assist with your studies, well-being, and any personal concerns.

Admissions - Supporting you with enrolment processes and fee-related queries.

Teaching & Learning - Guiding you throughout your academic journey and learning needs.

Retention - Managing attendance, sick leave notifications, and holiday requests.

Placement - Helping you with placements, career planning, and employability skills.

Student Welfare, Wellbeing & Safeguarding - Providing a safe and supportive environment by offering help with mental health, personal issues, and safeguarding concerns.

Digital Skills & Engagement

Moodle & CRM

Moodle is a platform for your academic journey, offering easy access to all your learning materials and activities. Each week, you'll find lectures, pre- and post-class activities, quizzes, assignment briefs, and recommended reading lists that support and enhance your studies. Additionally, Moodle is where you'll submit assignments and track your academic progress. Regular engagement on Moodle is essential, as it keeps you updated on course requirements, deadlines, and the resources necessary for success. By actively participating, you're better prepared, more informed, and able to make the most of the resources provided to you.



CRM provides quick access to your timetable, attendance records, and results, ensuring you have an organised view of your academic responsibilities. You can also submit your assignments for formative feedback through CRM, making it a streamlined process for both students and lecturers. Engaging with CRM regularly not only helps you stay informed about your schedule and academic performance but also builds essential digital skills for effectively managing coursework.

Academic Integrity Matters

Don't Risk It: Succeed the Right Way!

As you start or continue your studies at Scholars, it's essential to stay mindful of academic integrity and avoid the trap of academic misconduct. This includes plagiarism, collusion, using unauthorised materials, or submitting work that is not your own. While assessment deadlines, pressure, and workload can sometimes feel overwhelming, taking shortcuts can have serious consequences for your studies and your future. Academic integrity is about honesty, fairness, and taking pride in your own learning journey.

Remember, you are not alone. If you are unsure about referencing, struggling with an assignment, or feeling under pressure, reach out early to your lecturers or the Student Support & Experience Team. Asking for help and support is always the right choice. By managing your time well, using the available resources at Scholars, and submitting work that reflects your own effort, you protect your academic record and develop the skills and confidence that will stay with you long after your studies are complete.

Please keep in mind that Scholars has a ZERO TOLERANCE policy on Contract Cheating.

ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

WHAT IS ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT?

Academic misconduct is any attempt to seek unfair advantage when producing academic work.

COMMON EXAMPLES INCLUDE:

COLLUSION

Working with someone else to create work and then presenting that work as your own.

PLAGIARISM

Presenting someone else's words or ideas as your own.

CONTRACT CHEATING

Hiring someone to produce work to present as your own.

FABRICATION

Presenting false data as true, or making other false statements in your work.

IMPERSONATION

Presenting yourself as someone else. This could be in an exam, but also includes signing attendance sheets for someone else.



If you're unsure if your work contains examples of Academic Misconduct, then talk to your **lecturers, tutors** or **student support officers** today!

TO FIND OUT MORE, CONTACT STUDENT SUPPORT!



CAMPUS PREMISES RULES

- **UPHOLD BRITISH VALUES:** Mutual Respect, Rule of Law, Tolerance and Democracy are expected at Scholars School System.
- **CAMPUS ACCESS:** Students may only access class rooms, reception and breakout areas within the premises.
- **NO SMOKE OR VAPING:** Smoking, including e-cigarettes or vapes, is strictly prohibited in the premises.
- **PARKING POLICY:** No on-site parking for students, use nearby local car parks.
- **TOILET ETIQUETTE:** Maintain cleanliness and hygiene in the restroom for others.
- **LIFT USAGE:** Lifts shouldn't be overcrowded or obstructed at any time. **DO NOT** press lift buttons multiple times.
- **MULTI-FAITH ROOMS:** Students should only pray in the multi-faith room and must respect others space and time.
- **FIRE ALARM SAFETY:** Tampering with fire safety equipment will lead to fines and suspension.

NOTE: DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS INCLUDING £1000 FINE WILL BE GIVEN TO STUDENTS WHO DO NOT ABIDE BY THESE RULES

Bullying, Harassment & Sexual Misconduct

Our Commitment to a Safe Community

At Scholars School System, we are committed to creating a learning environment where every student feels safe, valued, and respected. Bullying, harassment, and sexual misconduct go directly against our ethos, mission, and values. We believe everyone deserves to be treated with courtesy, dignity, and respect, both in person and online.

What We Mean by Bullying, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct

- **Bullying** – Repeated or targeted behaviour that causes distress, such as name-calling, exclusion, or intimidation.
- **Harassment** – Unwanted conduct that creates a hostile, intimidating, or humiliating environment, including discriminatory behaviour.
- **Sexual Misconduct** – Any sexual behaviour without consent, sexually inappropriate comments, unwanted touching, or actions that make someone feel unsafe.

Whether these behaviours occur face-to-face, in writing, over the phone, or through social media, they are never acceptable.

If You Experience or Witness These Behaviours

It's important to act, whether it's happening to you or you've seen it happen to someone else. Here's how:

1. **Respond (if safe to do so)** – Remove yourself from the situation and seek a safe space.
2. **Record** – Make a clear note of what happened: dates, times, locations, names, and details of the incident.
3. **Report** – Use our confidential form to let us know:

Bullying, Harassment & Sexual Misconduct Reporting Form

How We Support You

- Ask for immediate emotional support and advice from Student Safeguarding and Welfare Team.
- Signpost to external support services

We encourage using the reporting form provided on our website under the E-SSS tab (top right) as your first point of contact, so we can respond quickly and connect you to the right help.

Remember:

- You are never alone — your voice matters and will be heard.
- Speaking up helps protect not just you, but others in our community.
- We handle all reports with confidentiality, sensitivity, and care.

Let's work together to make Scholars School System a place where everyone feels safe, respected, and able to thrive.

SPEAK UP TODAY

Report Bullying,
Harassment,
or Sexual Misconduct

HOW CAN YOU REPORT AN INCIDENT?

STEP 1

Incident occurs



STEP 2

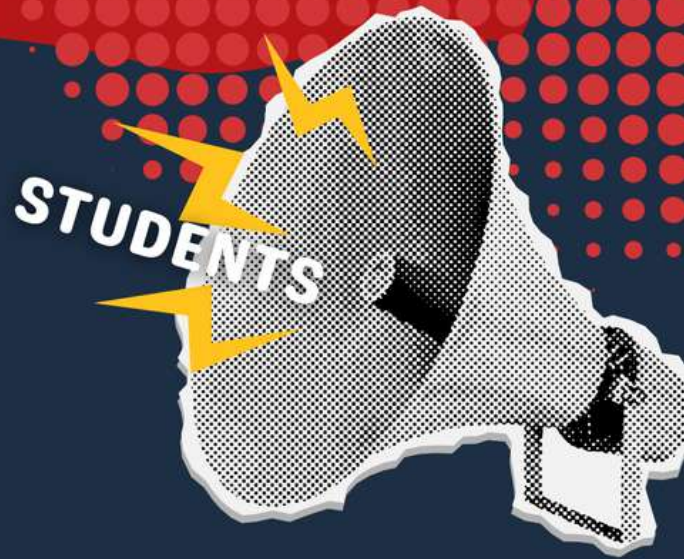
Report the complaint using
the online portal or contact
your *SAFEGUARDING OFFICER*
or *REPS* directly

STEP 3

Complaint is processed
by *SAFEGUARDING
OFFICER*



**STOP BULLYING,
HARASSMENT & SEXUAL
MISCONDUCT**





DISABILITY SUPPORT

Here to support you!

DISABILITY IS NOT A BARRIER!

Disclose your disability at the time of admission
or reach out to our disability team:

disability@scholarsschool.ac.uk



Student Success, Alumni & Placements

Welcome from the Placements and Alumni Team

As the snow falls on this cold January start to the year, I welcome you back to campus for another exciting term at Scholars School System.

For those of you in Cohorts 10 and 13, you'll now be starting your placement work. Congratulations on securing an excellent workplace experience. For Cohorts 11 and 14, you'll be starting your journey and developing a strategy to secure that placement. For Cohorts 12 and 15, the placements team will be meeting with you over the coming weeks to get you career-ready.

At Scholars School System, all programmes of study have a workplace skills development objective. A significant part of studying for a degree is developing workplace readiness, and the placements team is here to help you to build core graduate attributes and hone your skills in digital literacy, resilience, project management, working independently, and communicating effectively. The placements team works with all students to develop individualised career plans; gain valuable experience in your chosen field; and gain real-world experience through work placements.

Campus	Placement Officer
London	Rubab
Birmingham	Amna
Bradford	Zakria
Manchester	Hajara
Leicester	Naasira

Placements Team

How Do I Find a Placement?

- Career fairs (campus and city-wide)
- Job search engines (Indeed, Total Jobs, Target Jobs)
- Community organisations, charities, societies or volunteer centres
- Cold-calling companies, care homes or local businesses
- Corporate careers pages
- LinkedIn and online networks
- LTU MyCareers
- [Scholars School System careers hub](#)

What Makes a Good Placement?

- Mentorship – a management team interested in your development
- Room for growth – opportunities to build professional networks
- A good work environment – a clear and suitable workspace
- A clearly identifiable point of contact – responsible for supervision and signing off placement hours

Things to Avoid

- No clear manager or supervisor
- No clear place of work
- No registered or developed business
- Not relevant to the degree pathway
- Placement provided by a classmate

Student Success, Alumni & Placements

Scholars School System signs new partnerships and MOUs

Scholars School System continues to strengthen partnerships and placement opportunities across campuses.

Naasira Alhadad, the Leicester campus placement officer, and Maria Siddiq, the Leicester campus centre manager, have progressed another exciting partnership. On the fifth of January, SSS Leicester signed an agreement with LMA Community Gym, supporting youth and community development and creating valuable placement opportunities for our Level 4 and 5 students.

Website: <https://lmaacademy.org/>

Naasira Alhadad says: "This partnership will create meaningful work placement opportunities for our students, allowing them to gain real-world experience while making a positive impact in the community."

Na'asira Alhadad, Arafath Ahmed and Maria Siddiqaa sign a Memorandum of Understanding.



Mohammad Zakria Naeem at the Bradford Campus has signed a new partnership with Raising Explorers, the After School Learning Club. This will give new opportunities for Bradford Health and Social Care students to obtain placements and valuable work experience working with children and young people.

Zakria said: "This partnership reflects our shared commitment to supporting student development through meaningful learning

experiences that promote personal growth and leadership beyond the classroom."

A huge well done to Zakria and Bradford Centre Manager Muhammad Ahsan.

Student Success, Alumni & Placements

Upcoming Career Fairs

City	Date	Venue
Birmingham	Fri 30 Jan	St Andrew's Park
Manchester	Fri 6 Feb	Britannia Hotel
Wolverhampton	Thu 12 Feb	Molineux Stadium
London	Fri 27 Feb	Allianz Stadium, Twickenham
London	Thu–Fri 6–7 Mar	Westfield, Stratford City
Leicester	Wed 18 Mar	City Rooms
Leeds	Wed 18 Mar	Elland Road Stadium

Alumni Spotlight



SHAZIA YUNIS MOGHUL

Shazia Moghul has been a fantastic example of a committed student at Scholars School System, having completed her BSc in Health and Social Care (cohort 5, graduated in November 2025) and being in the final stages of completing her MSc in Health and Wellbeing. At Scholars School System, we could not be more proud of Shazia's incredible achievements. She has been a strong advocate for her classmates, having been a class rep through her undergraduate journey, and is already an advocate for our alumni network, having won a voucher for her commitment to Alumni affairs! We know that Shazia has great things ahead of her, and we are proud that she has already been a fantastic role model to her daughters.

Shazia writes: The graduation ceremony on 3rd November 2025 was a proud and memorable day for me. It was a moment of reflection on the dedication, perseverance, and sacrifices made along the way. Seeing fellow graduates, mentors, and loved ones together to celebrate this milestone made the experience even more meaningful.

This achievement represents not only academic success but also personal growth, resilience, and the confidence to move forward into the next chapter with purpose. It is a reminder that consistency, patience, and belief in oneself truly pay off.

To current students, my advice would be to stay focused, trust the process, and not be discouraged by challenges along the way. Every setback is a lesson, and every effort counts. Make the most of the opportunities available to you, and never underestimate your own potential.

Thank you once again for being part of this important chapter of my journey. I am honoured to be part of the Scholars School System alumni community.

Kind regards,

Shazia Moghul

Congratulations on obtaining that first degree, and well done for being so close to finishing your second degree in a year!

Term Dates

Undergraduate

Intake	Sep-25	Jan-26	May-26
Welcome Week	22-Sep-25	05-Jan-26	25-May-26
Semester 1	29 Sept - 1 Dec 2025	12 Jan - 16 mar 2026	01 June - 03 Aug 2026
Assessment Week	08 Dec - 15 Dec 2025	23 Mar - 30 Mar 2026	10 Aug - 17 Aug 2026
Term Break	22 Dec 2025 - 05 Jan 2026	06 Apr - 13 Apr 2026	24 Aug - 21 Sept 2026
Semester 2	12 Jan - 16 Mar 2026	20 Apr - 22 June 2026	28 Sept - 30 Nov 2026
Assessment Week	23 Mar - 30 Mar 2026	29 June - 06 July 2026	07 Dec - 14 Dec 2026
Term Break	06 Apr - 13 Apr 2026	13 July - 20 July 2026	21 Dec - 04 Jan 2027
Assessment Week	20 Apr - 25 May 2026	27 July - 31 Aug 2026	11 Jan - 15 Feb 2027
Resits	10 Aug 2026	09 Nov 2026	19 Apr 2027
Resits (Exceptional)	14 Sept 2026	14 Dec 2026	17 May 2027

Term Dates

Postgraduate

Intake	Sep-25	Jan-26	May-26
Welcome Week	22-Sep-25	05-Jan-26	25-May-26
Semester 1	29 Sept - 1 Dec 2025	12 Jan - 16 mar 2026	01 June - 03 Aug 2026
Assessment Week	08 Dec - 15 Dec 2025	23 Mar - 30 Mar 2026	10 Aug - 17 Aug 2026
Term Break	22 Dec 25 - 05 Jan 2026	06 Apr - 13 Apr 2026	24 Aug - 31 Aug 2026
Semester 2	12 Jan - 16 Mar 2026	20 Apr - 22 June 2026	07 Sept - 09 Nov 2026
Assessment Week	23 Mar - 30 Mar 2026	29 June - 06 July 2026	16 Nov - 23 Nov 2026
Term Break	06 Apr - 13 Apr 2026	13 July - 20 July 2026	20 Nov - 07 Dec 2026
Semester 3	20 Apr - 22 June 2026	27 July - 28 Sept 2026	14 Dec - 15 Feb 2027
Assessment Week	29 Jun - 06 Jul 2026	05 Oct - 12 Oct 2026	22 Feb - 01 Mar 2027
Term 3 Dissertation Support	13 Jul - 03 Aug 2026	19 Oct - 02 Nov 2026	08 Mar - 12 Apr 2027
Resits Term 1 & 2	10 Aug 2026	09 Nov 2026	19 Apr 2027
Term 3 Dissertation Support	17 Aug - 07 Sept 2026	16 Nov - 21 Dec 2026	26 Apr - 10 May 2027
Dissertation submission/Resits Term 3	14 Sept 2026	28 Dec 2026	17 May 2027

As we wrap up this edition of the Scholars School System Newsletter, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributes to making our Scholars School a vibrant and supportive community. From dedicated teachers and support staff to hardworking students, each of you plays a vital role in our success.

Remember to stay connected with us through our social media channels and school website for updates on upcoming events and important announcements. Your feedback is always welcome, so please share your thoughts and suggestions to help us improve.

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