

Dear New and Returning Residents,

Your days at University should be amongst the best in your life, but right now if you are coming to university for the first time you may well be feeling somewhat uneasy with regard to just what to expect. Here at Hulme Hall we'd like to do our best to help make your time at University a good experience. There are many of us in the 'Hulme Hall Team' and you'll soon get to know who we are and what we do.

In the Admin Block you'll find Reception, the Finance Office, Catering and Housekeeping. These offices will be your first port of call with any queries about such things as accommodation fees, catering, maintenance and cleaning etc.

The Pastoral Team comprises of me (the Warden) and eight Tutors and we all live on site. We do our best to ensure that the Hall is a safe and pleasant place to live by dealing with any problems such as noise complaints. While we do not have magic wands, we can usually offer some help (in confidence) with any course or other problems you may be experiencing. If we can't help, then we usually know someone who can.

In addition to the support we provide, we are here to make sure that your stay in halls is enjoyable by developing a strong community spirit within the hall. We have the JCR (Junior Common Room), our Residents Association who organise social and sporting events throughout the year. The JCR is run for the residents, by the residents, and we are always looking for enthusiastic individuals to serve on the executive committee. If you would like to be on the committee, or have suggestions for events you would like to see happening in the halls, please contact a member of the pastoral team.

The JCR are all returning students who, as well as organising activities and events, will be happy to help you with settling in.

Please get involved in our learning community project which can provide peer support for you within your academic subject group and runs lots of useful workshops throughout the year.

There are some rules and regulations you will have to abide by while living in University accommodation, these are there to ensure what we hope is a safe and secure environment for all. Perhaps more importantly the codes to live by in a Hall such as Hulme, with its wide mix of students from different backgrounds, countries and cultures, are those of tolerance and respect, both to others and yourself.

Whether a new or returning resident, I hope you will have an enjoyable and fruitful stay in Hulme Hall. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Yours sincerely,



Mike Mercer
Warden