

***School of Biological Sciences
University of Manchester***

WELCOME WEEK SEPTEMBER 2025

University of Manchester Welcome Activities

Alongside your programme-specific induction, the University runs a range of welcome presentations and activities that will help you get settled into the University and find out how you can make the most of your time at Manchester. Further information is available here: [Welcome and induction | Welcome to Manchester | The University of Manchester](#)

Finding your way around the University campus

A copy of the campus map can be found at the link here: <https://www.manchester.ac.uk/discover/maps/> You can use this to locate the buildings referenced in your timetable below.

Zoom

Your Welcome Week timetable may contain sessions delivered via Zoom. In order to create your Zoom account, you should visit [Zoom.us](https://zoom.us) and sign up with your University of Manchester email address.

YOUR PROGRAMME-SPECIFIC WELCOME TIMETABLE

(WEEK COMMENCING 22 SEPTEMBER)

Programme: Biosciences Foundation Year

Programme Director: Dr Sarah Hatherill

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SBS Help Desk

There will be an SBS (School of Biological Sciences) Student Help Desk in the Stopford Building Foyer on the Monday of Welcome Week, and SBS Student Ambassadors who will be happy to answer any queries you may have and direct you to the relevant rooms.

Queries about Welcome Week

Queries about Welcome Week can be directed to the SBS Student Support Hub – sbs.hub@manchester.ac.uk

Monday 22 September

10.00 – 11.00

Meet Your Programme Director

Building: Mansfield Cooper

Room: G.19

11.00 – 12.00

Registration with the School of Biological Sciences

Register at the SBS Registration Desk on the first floor of the Stopford Building and collect your reusable SBS mug!

12.00 – 13.00

Tour of the Stopford Building (optional)

Building: Stopford Building

If you would like a tour of the Stopford Building, please make your way to the SBS Help Desk in the foyer of the Stopford Building and one of the Student Ambassadors will give you a short tour – look out for Ambassadors holding an 'SBS Stopford Tour' sign.

15.00 – 17.00

Welcome Meeting for International Students

Building: Stopford Building, 1st Floor

Room: Theatre 2

Tuesday 23 September

11.00 – 13.30

Meeting at Xaverian College

Building: Ryken Building, Xaverian College

(Number 8 on the Virtual Campus map: [Virtual Tour - Xaverian College](#))

You can also download a map of the Xaverian College Campus here:

<https://documents.manchester.ac.uk/display.aspx?DocID=76645>

On arrival at the Ryken Building, you will be greeted by Xaverian College staff who will register you.

14:00 – 15:00

Start of Year Fair

Location: Marquee outside University Place (in front of the Williamson Building)

Please take the opportunity to have a look round the Start of Year Fair where you can speak to the Careers Team, Library, Volunteering Team and lots more!

15.00 – 16.00

Online Meeting with Xaverian College

Only for students who are unable to attend the face-to-face session at 11am at Xaverian College. Only in exceptional circumstances should you attend this meeting rather than the face-to-face meeting (and with prior arrangement).

Join online via Zoom on the day using the following link (please ensure to use your University email address when accessing Zoom):

Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/92746941078>

Meeting ID: 92746941078

Wednesday 24 September

10.30 – 12.30

FMBH Foundation Year Society - Welcome from the SU team

Building: Alan Turing

Room: G.205

Meet members of the Students' Union, take part in some speed-friending activities and find out how you can be involved in running events with your peers this year.

Please be aware that you will split into groups for this session, with one group attending 10.30-11.30 and the other group attending 11.30-12.30 – further information will follow about this.

Thursday 25 September

10.00 – 11.00

Late Arrival Programme Director Meeting Online

Only for students who were unable to attend the face-to-face meeting on Monday (with prior agreement with the Programme Director).

Join via Microsoft Teams using the link below:

[Join the meeting now](#)

Meeting ID: 339 164 746 456 9

Passcode: pv9Hy7h3

11.30 – 12.30

Meet Your Tutor Event

Building: Stopford, 2nd Floor

Room: Sections 7 & 8, 2 SUGT (2nd Floor Teaching Labs)

13.00 – 15.00

SBS Foundation Year Programme Lunch

Building: Simon Building

Room: 3.44B

Friday 26 September

11.00 – 12.00

eLearning and IT Presentation

Building: Nancy Rothwell

Room: Theatre A (2A.040)

(Alternative live-stream venue for students who prefer a quieter venue – Room A2.7, Ellen Wilkinson Building. Very limited spaces available)

14.00 – 16.00

Lab Coat Collection

Building: Stopford Building, 2nd Floor

Room: Sections 11-13, 2 SUGT (2nd Floor Teaching Labs)

Section 11 for Small/X Small Lab Coats

Section 12 for Medium Lab Coats

Section 13 for Large/XL Lab Coats

Monday 29 September

09.00

Lectures Begin