Living with difference

Supporting you
Living with difference at university

Difference at university may be defined in terms of religious, ethnic, cultural, socio-economic, educational background; or difference in age, gender, sexual orientation, physical impairments, psychological make-up or simply personal character and habits.

Living with difference at Royal Holloway is a source of great opportunity:

• Learn from it: it will expose you to new concepts, values, behaviours, attitudes and opinion. You will also learn a lot about yourself.
• It prepares you to live in our diverse world.
• Attention to diversity has led to a wider range of teaching methods and social opportunities.
• Diversity at Royal Holloway has led us to take active steps to create a tolerant and caring environment where everyone’s opinion is valued and no one is discriminated against.
• Experiencing difference makes us all better citizens in our democracy.

Therefore, make the most of this opportunity and:

• Respect and accept difference.
• Do not impose your own ways without the consent of others.
• Do not discriminate or harass somebody for a reason linked to their difference.
• If conflict arises, talk.
• Respect Halls rules as these have been devised with difference in mind.
• Talk to Support and Advisory Services (Welfare and Wellbeing) if an issue related to difference (or to being different) troubles you wellbeing@royalholloway.ac.uk