

Peer Guidance – Week 4

Academic Support

As the first term gets under way and we enter the fourth week, with Welcome Week feeling far away, your academic studies will become a clearer focus for you. There is lots of support and many resources related to your academic studies that you may wish to explore. Read on below for information about our Library, CeDAS and the Students' Union's Academic Reps.

As always, information about academic support, along with lots of other important information about studying at Royal Holloway, can be located on the new [Student Life guide](#) on the Welcome to RH app. Until **Thursday 15 October**, you can also complete the **Your Student Experience survey** in the Student Life guide.

The Library

Our campus Library is housed within the Davison building. As well as the physical collection, the Library has over half a million eBooks, as well as millions of digital journal articles. All resources can be accessed via the [LibrarySearch webpages](#). This home page contains lots of other useful links, including [reading lists](#) and the Library's [Moodle page](#), a great resource. On the right-hand side of the LibrarySearch home screen you'll also see a useful live chat function to answer any queries you may have.

On campus, the Library are currently operating both a 'Click and Sit' service which can be accessed by [clicking here](#). For commuting students looking for other places to socialise or study in between classes, a number of Commuter Hubs have been introduced. Information can be accessed via the [Students' Union webpages](#).

CeDAS

The Centre for the Development of Academic Skills (CeDAS) are a great point of support your academic studies. Their team of experienced learning developers can help you to achieve your full academic potential.

You can visit the CeDAS Academic Skills webpages on Moodle by [clicking here](#). When you select your school, you will be enrolled to the CeDAS Moodle page for your school where you can find information about their courses, workshops, 1:1 advice and self-study resources. They offer support both online and face-to-face.



Academic Reps



Representing students' academic interests is one of the core purposes of the Students' Union and a key method of achieving this is in the recruitment of over 400 elected Academic Reps. Representation happens at four levels: course, department, school and university. Detailed information can be found on the [Students' Union webpages](#).

Course reps are able to gather feedback and ideas which, when passed on to department reps, are raised in order to help actions progress.

Other Academic Support

Often a great source of academic support is the academics and helpdesk staff within your school. Detailed information on each school can be found within the [2020/21 Information Hub](#) on the student intranet webpages.

The fourth week of term is also the official end of Peer Guidance. Provided you are both happy to, you and your Peer Guide can continue to connect and all Peer Support teams will remain open. However, please note that the general channel within your Peer Support team may not be monitored. Your first point of contact for academic queries and concerns should be your new course, department and school Academic Reps.