

Hello All and welcome to the University of Bristol!

I wanted to give you an update on all Global Lounge's activity ahead of the welcome period.

Welcome social programme: virtual and in person

- Virtual starting from 6 September – 24 September, in person 13 September – 26 September. The programme can be found on [Global Lounge website](#), [My Opportunities – Engage platform](#), Welcome app and some events are listed on the [Bristol SU welcome portal](#), which has just gone live.

Moving into the Global Lounge physical space

- We are very excited, as all work is on track for our move-in day of 13 September – we will have a home in Senate House, first floor. Official Launch will be on 13 October, lunchtime, but please do pop in to visit during welcome period. Global Lounge will be open 8am – 6pm. GL is also becoming a home for the Global Opportunities team, which will now have two student facing colleagues based in the Lounge (from the incoming and outgoing side).

Airport transfers

- Bookings are now live, transfers running 15 September – 10 October from LHR and Bristol. All information and booking form can be found on the main [Airport transfers website](#). I would like to bring your attention to our new addition – [a list of bus stops that the transfer shuttles will be making](#). We have identified 70 most popular locations in Bristol, which have 41 corresponding bus stops, grouped into 14 clusters. For each location there are instructions and photos how to find accommodation, what the entrance looks like. The project took over 4 months to complete

Global Lounge in autumn

- We are working on the programme of exciting events for this autumn – we will be running regular events in the Global Lounge in person, including [Travel the world](#), [Language Café](#), and a new weekly event: [Think Global](#). Updates with themes coming soon to our website. We are also planning to run events such as Diwali, Day of the Dead, Global Food Festival (lead by the SU), Middle Eastern Festival and more. More info coming soon. We will continue running some virtual events.

Websites for new international students

- [Pages for new international students](#) have been updated, and contain a lot of helpful information. Please share if you are in contact with any new students.

Enjoy the rest of the summer everyone, I hope to see you all in September – come to the Global Lounge for a cuppa!

Best wishes

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