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# OPEN DAY GUIDE



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# Making the most of your visit

**1. Arrive and register:** Make sure you register so you can pick up your goodie bag and information about your day. Don't forget to grab a complimentary hot drink outside the Picture Gallery or from the orange van in Founder's Square.

**2. Visit your department:** See pages 4-11 to find out where and when talks and activities are taking place. Subject timetables are listed in alphabetical order. You can also chat to academics throughout the day across campus.

**3. Explore:** Go on a tour of campus, see the halls where you could be living or hear more about student life and support by attending a talk (see page 12) or visit the Advice zone in the Davison Building where our specialist teams are ready to chat.

**4. Relax and enjoy:** There are plenty of places to soak up the atmosphere of Royal Holloway. Don't forget to pick up a campus map, which includes a list of places to eat and drink.



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## Biological Sciences

	Morning		Afternoon	
Why Biosciences? Why Royal Holloway?	10.30-11am	Bourne Building, lecture theatre 1	1.30-2pm	Bourne Building, lecture theatre 1
Taster session: A journey through climate change, stress and biopharming (Prof Alessandra Devoto)	11.15-11.45am Bourne Building, lecture theatre 2		2.15-2.45pm Bourne Building, lecture theatre 2	
Taster session: Developing therapies for motor neurone disease using fruit flies (Ella Dunn)	12-12.30pm Bourne Building, lecture theatre 2		3-3.30pm Bourne Building, lecture theatre 2	
Tours	Tours of our microscopy and chemical analytical facilities run throughout the day, starting from Bourne Building, foyer			
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Bourne Building, foyer			

## Business and Management

	Morning		Afternoon	
Study Business and Management at Royal Holloway	10-10.30am 11.45am-12.15pm	Moore Building, auditorium	2.45-3.15pm	Moore Building, auditorium
Take a tour and discover our innovative teaching approach	10.45-11.15am	Meet at Moore Building, outside room 0-02	12.30-1pm	Meet at Moore Building, outside room 0-02
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Moore Building, foyer, outside rooms 0-02 and 0-03			

## Classics (including Ancient History, Archaeology and Classical Studies)

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introduction to Classics at Royal Holloway	11-11.30am	Windsor Building, room 1-02/1-03	2-2.30pm	Windsor Building, room 1-02/1-03
Taster session: Love, magic and curses: Greek ways of communicating with the Divine (Prof Lene Rubinstein)	11.45am-12.15pm	Windsor Building, room 1-02/1-03	2.45-3.15pm	Windsor Building, room 1-02/1-03
Taster session: Myths about myths (Dr Nick Lowe)	12.30-1pm	Windsor Building, room 1-02/1-03	3.30-4pm	Windsor Building, room 1-02/1-03
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Windsor Building, upstairs foyer			

## Computer Science

	Morning		Afternoon	
Study Computer Science at Royal Holloway	10.45-11.15am	Shilling Building, auditorium	1.15-1.45pm	Shilling Building, auditorium
Taster session: Playing games, cutting cakes, and sharing pizzas	12.30-1pm	Moore Building, auditorium	2-2.30pm	Moore Building, auditorium
Lab tours	10am-3.30pm, Bedford Building			
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Bedford Building, foyer			

## Creative Writing

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introduction to English and Creative Writing at Royal Holloway	11.30am-12noon	Boilerhouse, auditorium	2.30-3pm	Boilerhouse, auditorium
Taster session: The recycled poem	12.15-12.45pm	Windsor Building, room 0-02/0-03	3.30-4pm	Windsor Building, room 0-02/0-03
Chat with us	10am-4pm, International Building, foyer			

## Criminology

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introduction to Criminology at Royal Holloway	10-10.30am	Windsor Building, room 0-02/03	1-1.30pm	Windsor Building, room 0-02/03
Taster session: Crime and the mind: What is forensic psychology?	10.45-11.15am	Windsor Building, room 0-02/03	1.45-2.15pm	Windsor Building, room 0-02/03
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Windsor Building, room 0-05			

## Drama, Theatre and Dance

	Morning		Afternoon	
Drama at Royal Holloway	11.15-11.45am	Caryl Churchill Theatre	2.15-2.45pm	Caryl Churchill Theatre
Workshop session	12.15-12.45pm	Caryl Churchill Theatre	3.15-3.45pm	Caryl Churchill Theatre
Facilities tours of Katharine Worth Building	10am-3.30pm, from Caryl Churchill Theatre			
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Katharine Worth Building, foyer			

## Earth Sciences

	Morning		Afternoon	
Why choose to study Earth Sciences at Royal Holloway?	11.45am-12.15pm	Queen's Building, room 171	2.45-3.15pm	Queen's Building, room 171
Taster session: Campus fieldwork and 'Bring a bottle' water testing activity (Please bring your small bottle of water to Queen's Building and we will carry out a chemical analysis and send you the results afterwards.)	12.30-1pm	Queen's Building, room 171	3.30-4pm	Queen's Building, room 171
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Queen's Building, Upstairs Foyer			

## Economics

	Morning		Afternoon	
Economics at Royal Holloway	11-11.30am	Davison Building, room 1-04	2-2.30pm	Davison Building, room 1-04
Taster session: Introduction to financial economics	12-12.30pm	Windsor Building, room 0-04	3-3.30pm	Windsor Building, room 0-04
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Windsor Building, room 0-05			

## Electronic Engineering

	Morning		Afternoon	
Electronic Engineering at Royal Holloway	10.30-11am	Shilling Building, creative thinking room	1.30-2pm	Shilling Building, creative thinking room
Taster session: Creativity-led engineering	11.15-11.45am	Shilling Building, creative thinking room	2.15-2.45pm	Shilling Building, creative thinking room
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Shilling Building, foyer			

## English

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introduction to English and Creative Writing at Royal Holloway	11.30am-12noon	Boilerhouse, auditorium	2.30-3pm	Boilerhouse, auditorium
Taster session: What metaphors mean	12.15-12.45pm	Boilerhouse, auditorium	3.15-3.45pm	Boilerhouse, auditorium
Chat with us	10am-4pm, International Building, foyer			

## Geography

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introducing the Department of Geography	10.30-11am	Queen's Building, lecture theatre	3-3.30pm	Queen's Building, lecture theatre
Exploring and understanding our world: Visualising spaces, contested places	11.15am-12noon	Queen's Building, lecture theatre	1.30-2.15pm 3.30-4.15pm	Queen's Building, lecture theatre
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Queen's Building, foyer			

## Health and Social Care

	Morning		Afternoon	
Health and Social Care at Royal Holloway	10-10.30am	Davison Building, room 1-04	1.15-1.45pm	Davison Building, room 1-04
Taster session: Psychological and sociological views on human development in adolescence	11-11.30am	Windsor Building, room 0-04	2.15-2.45pm	Windsor Building, room 0-04
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Windsor Building, room 0-05			

## Health Studies

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introduction to Health Studies	11.45am-12.15pm	Windsor Building, room 1-05	2.45-3.15pm	Windsor Building, room 1-05
Taster session: Making a difference	12.30-1pm	Windsor Building, room 1-05	3.30-4pm	Windsor Building, room 1-05
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Shilling Building, foyer			

## History

	Morning		Afternoon	
Why studying History at Royal Holloway is a great idea	10-10.30am	Boilerhouse, auditorium	1-1.30pm	Boilerhouse, auditorium
Taster session: The decline and fall of the Roman Empire	10.45-11.15am	Shilling Building, lecture theatre	1.45-2.15pm	Shilling Building, lecture theatre
Chat with us	10am-4pm, International Building, History Department			



## Languages, Literatures and Cultures (including Comparative Literature and Culture, and Liberal Arts)

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introduction to the Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures (Modern Languages, Comparative Literature and Culture, Liberal Arts)	10-10.30am	Windsor Building, room 1-02/1-03	1-1.30pm	Windsor Building, room 1-02/1-03
Taster session: Identities and borderlands: From North Africa and Spain to the Americas	10.45-11.15am	Horton Building, lecture theatre 1	1.45-2.15pm	Horton Building, lecture theatre 1
Taster session: How interdisciplinary approaches from literature, art, languages and critical thinking can raise questions about who gets to write, speak, be seen and be heard	11.30am-12noon	Horton Building, lecture theatre 1	2.30-3pm	Horton Building, lecture theatre 1
Chat with us	10am-4pm, International Building, first floor			

## Law

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introduction to Law at Royal Holloway	10.45-11.15am	Windsor Building, auditorium	1.45-2.15pm	Windsor Building, auditorium
Taster session	11.30am-12noon	Windsor Building, auditorium	2.30-3pm	Windsor Building, auditorium
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Windsor Building, room 0-05			

## Mathematics

	Morning		Afternoon	
Mathematics at Royal Holloway	11.30am-12noon	Shilling Building, lecture theatre	2.30-3pm	Shilling Building, lecture theatre
Taster session: Fun facts about Pi	12.15-12.45pm	Shilling Building, lecture theatre	3.15-3.45pm	Shilling Building, lecture theatre
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Shilling Building, foyer			

## Media Arts

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introduction to Media Arts at Royal Holloway	10.45-11.15am	Arts Building, lecture theatre 1	1.45-2.15pm	Arts Building, lecture theatre 1
Taster session: Changing faces: Different effects of lighting	11.30am-12noon	Arts Building, lecture theatre 1	2.30-3pm	Arts Building, lecture theatre 1
Taster session: Walk this way: Learning to animate feet first	12.15-12.45pm	Williams Building, practice teaching space	3.15-3.45pm	Williams Building, practice teaching space
Facilities tour	10am-4pm, Williams Building			
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Williams Building			

## Music

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introduction to Music at Royal Holloway	10.15-10.45am	Founder's Building, lecture theatre	1.15-1.45pm	Founder's Building, lecture theatre
Taster session: What is musical beauty? (Prof Steve Downes)	12.30-1pm, Founder's Building, lecture theatre			
Concert	11.45am-12.15pm	Chapel	2.45-3.15pm	Chapel
Taster session: The sounds of silent cinema (Prof Julie Brown)	3.30-4pm, Founder's Building, lecture theatre			
Facilities tour	1pm	Founder's Building, lecture theatre	4pm	Founder's Building, lecture theatre
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Windsor Building, upstairs foyer			

## Philosophy

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introduction to Politics, International Relations, and Philosophy	11-11.30am	Founder's Building, lecture theatre	2-2.30pm	Founder's Building, lecture theatre
Taster session: Motion is impossible	12-12.30pm	Davison Building, room 1-04	3-3.30pm	Davison Building, room 1-04
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Windsor Building, foyer			

## Physics

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introduction to Physics at Royal Holloway	10.15-10.45am	Horton Building, lecture theatre 2	1.15-1.45pm	Horton Building, lecture theatre 2
Taster session: A tunnel to the beginning of time: ATLAS and the Large Hadron Collider	11-11.30am	Horton Building, lecture theatre 2	2-2.30pm	Horton Building, lecture theatre 2
Lab tours	11.30am and 2.30pm, Tolansky Building, foyer			
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Shilling Building, foyer			

## Politics and International Relations

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introduction to Politics, International Relations, and Philosophy	11-11.30am	Founder's Building, lecture theatre	2-2.30pm	Founder's Building, lecture theatre
Taster session: How much do politicians talk about the future?	11.45 am - 12.15 pm	Windsor Building, room 0-02/03	2.45-3.15pm	Windsor Building, room 0-02/03
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Windsor Building, foyer			

## Psychology

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introduction to Psychology at Royal Holloway	11.45am-12.15pm	Shilling Building, auditorium	2.45-3.15pm	Shilling Building, auditorium
Taster session: Gen Z, narcissism and the spread of fake news online	12.30-1pm	Shilling Building, auditorium	3.30-4pm	Shilling Building, auditorium
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Shilling Building, foyer			

## Social Science

	Morning		Afternoon	
Introduction to Social Science	10-10.30am	Windsor Building, room 1-04	1-1.30pm	Windsor Building, room 1-04
Taster session: Global Childhoods	10.45-11.15am	Windsor Building, room 1-05	1.45-2.15pm	Windsor Building, room 1-05
Chat with us	10am-4pm, Windsor Building, room 0-05			

# Student life and support talks

Hear more about what it's like to study and live at Royal Holloway

Talk	Morning	Afternoon	Location
Welcome from Royal Holloway Vice-Chancellor and Principal, Julie Sanders	10-10.30am	1-1.30pm	Windsor Building, auditorium
Accommodation at Royal Holloway	12.15-12.45pm	3.15-3.45pm	Windsor Building, auditorium
Funding your studies	10.45am-11.15am	1.15-1.45pm	Moore Building, auditorium
Supporting you: Health and wellbeing at university	11.30am-12noon	2.30-3pm	Windsor Building, room 1-04
Integrated Foundation Year - find out about our foundation courses.	10-10.25am	1-1.25pm	Windsor Building, room 1-05

## Tours

Tour	Times	Location
<p><b>Campus</b> Visit the key places on campus to study, learn and relax, guided by one of our friendly student ambassadors. Speak to your guide if you'd like to add on a visit to the sports centre during your tour. They'll also be happy to answer all your questions about life at Royal Holloway.</p>	9.30am-4pm	Founder's Square
<p><b>Accommodation</b> See where you could be living if you choose to stay on campus. See the accommodation guide in your goodie bag for details on all our halls.</p>	Tours run from 11am-4pm	George Eliot Hall or meet at The Hub to see halls on the south of campus Davison Building, events space, to view photos and videos of our accommodation
<p><b>Library</b> Explore our extensive library facilities and study spaces.</p>	11am and 1pm	Meet at Davison Building foyer

# Other things to see



## Advice zone

Our advice zone is in the Davison Building, where you can find out more about all the support at Royal Holloway and meet our teams, including health and wellbeing, the Careers Service, student finance and the Students' Union.



**Free wifi** is available all day. Use CampusNet, register as a visitor and follow the instructions provided.



## Students' Union

Pop in to our Students' Union and get a taste of some of the things you can get involved with outside your studies at Royal Holloway, including our societies and sports clubs.

## Founder's Square



Drop by Founder's Square to see North Surrey's local radio station, Insanity, run by Royal Holloway students, broadcasting live and see some of our sports teams in action!



## Information point

Need to know anything else about the day or need to access First Aid? Visit our information point outside the back entrance of the Davison Building (opposite the Moore Building).



# Food and drink on campus

There's plenty of places to grab a bite to eat on campus, from our cafés and restaurants to food stalls. See your map for more details about all your options.



- **Café on the Square**  
Open 9am-4pm
- **Crosslands, Founder's Building**  
Open 10am-4pm
- **The Hub**  
Open 11.30am-2.30pm
- **Union Shop**  
Open 8am-11pm
- **Boilerhouse Café**  
Open 9am-4pm
- **The Packhorse (opposite campus on A30)**  
Open from 11am
- **Food stalls outside Students' Union**  
Open 8.30am-4pm
- **Free hot drink**  
You can pick up a complimentary drink at the orange van in Founder's Square or outside the Picture Gallery.

## The Packhorse

**25%**  
discount

**The Packhorse**, our Students' Union pub, is offering a **25% discount** to all Open Day ticket holders - simply state **OpenDay25%** at the till when you order.



## Tell us what you think!

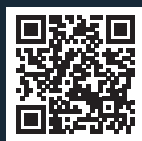
We'd love to find out about your Open Day experience. Scan the QR code and fill in our quick survey and you could win a free Amazon voucher.



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Join our Online Open Day on Wednesday 26 June, from 3pm.

Chat to students, view exclusive content and enjoy a virtual tour, all from the comfort of your own home.



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