

# **Welcome September 2021**



## **Advanced Practice Programmes**

**(BSc (top-up) Enhancing Healthcare Practice, MSc Advanced Clinical Practice, MSc ACP Apprenticeship and MSc Advancing Practice incl. top-up programmes, PG Cert, PG Dip and stand-alone modules)**

# Welcome to the University of Northampton

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to your studies at the University of Northampton. The purpose of this document is to help you prepare for coming to study with us and give you an opportunity to meet members of your programme team as well as other students who've chosen the same course. We want to make sure that you are inspired, anchored, prepared, and enabled to succeed.

Through engaging with our welcome and induction activities you will get to know your super-supportive tutors, have a chance to make new friends and be able to access what you need to know and do to start studying successfully. Ultimately, we want you to feel confident about how you will learn.

This Welcome Pack covers the following key areas:

- Details of Welcome and Induction sessions scheduled at the start of your programme
- Technical information to make joining online sessions at UON as easy as possible
- What support is available to you at UON

## Enrolments

Enrolment is when you are confirmed as a student at the University. The enrolment process usually involves two stages which you must complete:

To enrol students will be required to undertake the following:

**Step 1 – Pre-Enrolment** – Complete pre-enrolment which is an online process to verify personal details, confirm your programme of studies and provide identification documentation.

**Step 2 – Face to Face Session** – Attend a face-to-face session on campus on the 29<sup>th</sup> of September 2021. Where we will check your personal details and identification, scan passport/visa (if applicable) and provide you with a student ID card.

You should have received emails from admissions detailing the enrolment approach and the [new students](#) and [enrolment webpages](#) have further detailed information

## Welcome and Induction Sessions

We would like to invite you to join members of your subject and programme team, and other students joining you at the University of Northampton this year for a welcome

and induction session at the start of term. The details of your programme specific sessions are as follows:

**Date: Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

<p><b>Welcome for all and Enrolment</b></p>	<p><b>Time:</b> 09:30-11:00</p>	<p>Ground Floor of the Learning Hub, Waterside</p>
<p><b>Programme Induction Q&amp;A</b></p> <p>(join your specific programme session)</p> <p><b>Note:</b> if you are undertaking a stand-alone module you are not required to undertake any sessions- you will receive a module induction on day one of the module</p>	<p>BSc (top-up) Enhancing Healthcare Practice with Clare Cooper</p> <p>Time: 11.00-12:00</p>	<p>LH121 (Learning Hub)</p>
	<p>MSc Advancing Practice with Tracey Ali</p> <p>Time: 11:00-12:00</p>	<p>LH122 (Learning Hub)</p>
	<p>MSc Advanced Clinical Practice Apprenticeship with Laura Elliott</p> <p>Time: 11:00-13:00</p>	<p>LH127 (Learning Hub)</p>
	<p>MSc Advanced Clinical Practice with Jon Mounsey</p> <p>Time: 11:00-13:00</p>	<p>LH125 (Learning Hub)</p>
<p><b>Post-Session Activities</b> (For all students)</p>	<p><b>Academic Librarian Introduction:</b> See the folder within your programme and/or module NILE site within the learning resources section - titled 'Literature Searching: Library and Learning Services support' and work through the content</p> <p><b>Watch the <a href="#">L&amp;D Introduction video</a></b></p> <p><b>Watch the <a href="#">Academic Writing: Golden Rules Video</a></b></p> <p><b>Level 7 students watch the: <a href="#">Writing at Level 7 Video</a></b></p>	

## Preparing you for Learning and Teaching at Northampton

Learning and teaching at the University of Northampton is designed to help you take control of your own learning, using small group teaching, team-working and one-to-one tutorials that allow learning to take place in face-to-face environments and using carefully crafted digital experiences. To help you prepare for this personalised approach to learning, our welcome and induction activities are designed to introduce you to our learning technologies so that you are ready to go for the start of term. Through engaging in some preparatory work before our live sessions, you can think about some of the questions you might have and have opportunities to explore the many ways in which you are supported. You can also meet the other students on your programme.

### What to do if you can't attend the face to face session

If you are unable to attend the live session, we will be sharing any resources used on our Programme [NILE](#) site (the **N**orthampton **I**ntegrated **L**earning **E**nvironment). You will be able to access these once you have enrolled.

## Technical Support

As part of our welcome and induction, we would like you to engage with us and your course material via your programme and module Nile sites. We may at times ask you to engage in online activities via Blackboard Collaborate, please see the information and links below to assist you with this;

### Using Collaborate

- 1) [Test whether your browser will work with Collaborate](#)
- 2) Review the [student guide to using Collaborate](#)
- 3) Test Collaborate by visiting our test 'classroom' to address any technological challenges. This classroom will be available 24/7 from now until the end of September. You can [join the classroom now](#) and follow the instructions to test your audio and video functions.

**If you are still experiencing difficulties, please call our on-site team for further help: +44 (0)1604 893333.**

## LinkedIn Learning

Once you become a student at the University of Northampton, you will also have access to a wealth of online technical support through [LinkedIn Learning](#) so you can improve your digital skills any time, any place.

## EduBlog Link

Access our [advanced practice blog](#) to find further information about post graduate study at UON and the advanced practice team

## Covid-19 Updates

- For our latest information on our response to Covid-19 please visit our [situation-updates page](#)
- Please note that while it is not a legal requirement we strongly encourage all staff and students to wear a protective face mask in all indoor spaces on campus; with the exception of staff work areas, sports facilities and catering areas.
- Prior to returning to campus for face-to-face sessions you are being asked to take a **Lateral Flow Test** prior to attending the session. Students should test twice a week, either using home lateral flow device (LFD) test kits or at an on-site facility. Kits can be collected on campus in the reception areas of the Senate Building and Development Hub; from local pharmacies or can be ordered online.
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## Useful Pre-Induction Preparation and Learning

- **Your task:** Take some time to familiarise yourself with [How We Teach](#). This page provides an overview of how we personalise your learning to ensure that you get the best experience possible.

- Please also click on the link above to find out more about how we use digital technologies not only to support your studies, but also to prepare you for living and working in the modern world.
- You may want to have a go at [The Induction Investigation](#) ... an online, puzzle-based challenge to introduce you to the work of Library and Learning Services and how they support all students. This challenge can be undertaken individually but is more fun if completed in a team.

## Supporting Your Success

The purpose of your induction is to introduce you to the different teams and services around the University who can support you in your studies and help you identify which of these you need to engage with.

**Your task:** Visit the University [Supporting You](#) webpages to find out more about all our teams. The core teams you should find out about include:

- [Library and Learning Services](#), including our [Academic Librarian and Learning Development Teams](#)
- [Academic and Pastoral Support from your Personal Tutor and our Student Support and Advice Team](#)
- [The Student Information Desk](#) who can signpost you to our specialist support services
- The University of Northampton [Students' Union](#) – for clubs and societies, sports and other social activities, as well as support, information and guidance

## What Happens Next?

- 1) We will ensure that all students are allocated to a [Personal Tutor](#) group- your programme or module leader will identify who yours is and post a list on your NILE site

At the University of Northampton, our Personal Tutors meet regularly and frequently with their tutees, both in group and in 1-to-1 sessions. They will help you to reflect on how your studies are going and explore actions you can take to maximise your chances of success. Please contact your personal tutor directly if you have any questions about personalised support that have not been addressed during induction.

- 2) Make sure that you complete your enrolment to gain access to your NILE account- the programme NILE site and your spring semester module should be visible. You will then also be able to access your timetable and attend your scheduled module induction in the next week (variable depending upon module)

If you display any symptoms of Covid-19 please do not attend campus and book a PCR test as per government guidelines. Students can see the latest advice, guidance and Covid [symptom](#) and [positive result](#) forms on the [student hub](#) (student login required).

