

What is Specialist Mentoring support and how will it benefit me?

- A personal mentor who is a qualified professional
- Regular weekly support
- Understanding of your needs
- Supporting you to succeed and achieve
- Weekly improvements and progress
- Practical support and strategies to help you maximise your strengths and improve on your weaknesses
- Strategies for effective communication
- Flexible support, adapting to your changing needs
- Teaching you clear strategies to help you overcome difficulties and achieve in life and the workplace
- Personal development and skills for life
- Professional, objective non-judgemental support

Areas they can help you with: -

- Transition to university understanding how it works and what to expect
- Orientation finding your way around campus, the city, useful routes.
- Socialisation joining clubs and groups.
- Friendships discussing issues, set- backs, concerns.
- Emotional difficulties listening, talking through problems, sign posting, offering practical advice and Problems solving and finding solutions
- Guidance
- Motivation

Strategies for Effective Learning

- Problem solving and finding solutions
- Understanding the task
- Guidance on using feedback effectively for development
- Task priority
- Idea generation
- Overcoming procrastination and writers block
- Setting achievable goals

Organisation and Time Management

- Organising yourself and your timetable
- Techniques for addressing procrastination
- Strategies for managing information overload
- Breaking the task down to manageable, achievable goals
- Scheduling study, university, and downtime
- · Motivation and empowerment

Personal Development

- · Developing a suitable work life balance
- · Health and wellbeing advice
- · Encouragement of social engagement
- Sleep hygiene and nutrition
- Transition support to university and progression
- Communication skills development individuals and group work
- Confidence building
- Assertiveness techniques
- Motivation and encouragement
- Empowerment strategies
- Group work confidence building
- Presentation skills and practice
- Interpersonal skills

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Relaxation Techniques

- Stress and anxiety management
- Relaxation and breathing techniques
- Listening and discussing problems and concerns
- Finding practical workable solutions
- Strategies for Effective Learning

Planning and Recording Progress

- Regular reviews and feedback
- Organising your thoughts and ideas and notes
- Planning ahead to deadlines, creating weekly achievable goals
- Self-evaluation

Accessing other services

- Utilising other university support effectively
- Personal Tutor
- Counselling and Advice
- Socialisation clubs and activities
- Library

Using Technology

- Useful Apps
- University systems Blackboard, Library on-line, webinars
- Microsoft office
- Assistive Technology

Further support

- Sign posting when required.
- Assisting with the gathering of thoughts and ideas.
- Problems solving.
- Listening and understanding

Feedback:-

It is important that the support benefits you!

If you have any questions, queries or concerns at anytime or would like a gerneral chat - please contact us.

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