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Study in the UK



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University
of Exeter

What we'll cover today...

- Introductions
- A bit about Cornwall
- Expectations of university study
- Grading and plagiarism
- Some campus specifics

Where has everyone come from?



[International Cornwall](#)



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Coastal
Far Chirpy Big
Lively Quirky Quiet
Artsy Different air
Green Tropical
Fish Surfing
Wild Karaoke Lovely
Ocean Laid-back Pasties
Nature Scenic Clean
Cosy Free
Pretty Countryside Honest
Colourful Humid
Local
Interesting English
Creative Seagulls Beaches
Friendly Adventure
Safe Picturesque Homely
Fresh Welcoming Relaxed
Beautiful Inspiring Fun
Exotic Intriguing
Hilly Magical
Lush Windy
Familiar

What are your first impressions
of Cornwall/ Falmouth/ Penryn?



Cornish Culture

- Strong sense of identity
- One of the Celtic nations
- Cornish language revival
- Music – Gwenno *Le Kov* (2018)
- Films - Mark Jenkin dir. *Bait* (2019)

Tourism

- Cornish economy relies on tourism.
- One of the most popular destinations
- Many people in UK have holidayed in Cornwall
- When you tell people you live in Cornwall, they tend to say how lucky you are!
- Cornwall has a strong 'brand identity'



Tin mining

- Aristotle mentions tin from Cornwall
- Tin mining peak 1870-73
- Decline with last mine closing 1998 – S. Crofty closed
- 1873 - 1914 Approx. 250 000 people left Cornwall for overseas destinations often working in international mining. The population was never more than 500 000
- ([Philip Payton](#), 2005)
- UNESCO world heritage site - 2006



The eco factor



The Art Scene

[Falmouth Art gallery](#)



Kurt Jackson 1961 -



Barbara Hepworth 1903-1975



John Anthony Park 1880-1962



The food....

The weather



Porthleven on the south coast

Things we recommend doing...

- Make your way to the local beaches – Swanpool and Gylly
- Visit Falmouth Art Gallery
- Take a ferry ride to St Mawes



Studying in the UK: How confident are you?

- Writing academic essays
- Speaking in seminars
- Socialising with other students
- Researching for essays
- Understanding lectures
- Reading academic texts



Go to www.menti.com and use the code 3455 0007



I feel concerned about:



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Not at all concerned

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Speaking in seminars

Socialising with other students

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Understanding lectures

Reading academic texts

Extremely concerned



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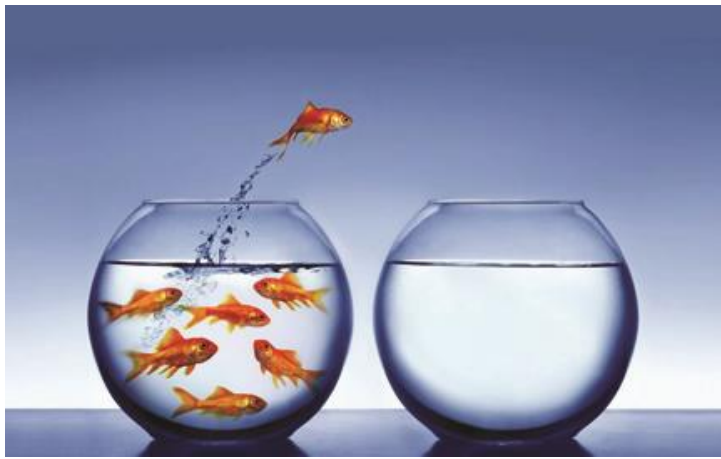
Types of study



Assignments

- Make sure you know what assignments you have
- Different types of assignments?
- Essay, Research proposal, Review protocol, critical appraisal, Briefing paper, Presentation, Poster, Blog, Reflective diary, Grant application.
- Term planner





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Be independent

- Read, research, read...
- Be critical. Ask questions..
 - agenda
 - evidence
 - exceptions
- Compare sources
- Identify key ideas/texts
- Discard

Follow the rules

- Follow the briefs
- Avoid plagiarism
- Which system of referencing?
- Module handbook
- Don't panic – ask
- **Keep a reference document**

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What grades would you be happy with?

a) 0-39%

Fail

b) 40-49%

Pass

c) 50-59%

2:2

d) 60-69%

2:1

e) 70-79%

First

f) 80-89%

g) 90+%

What % are these?

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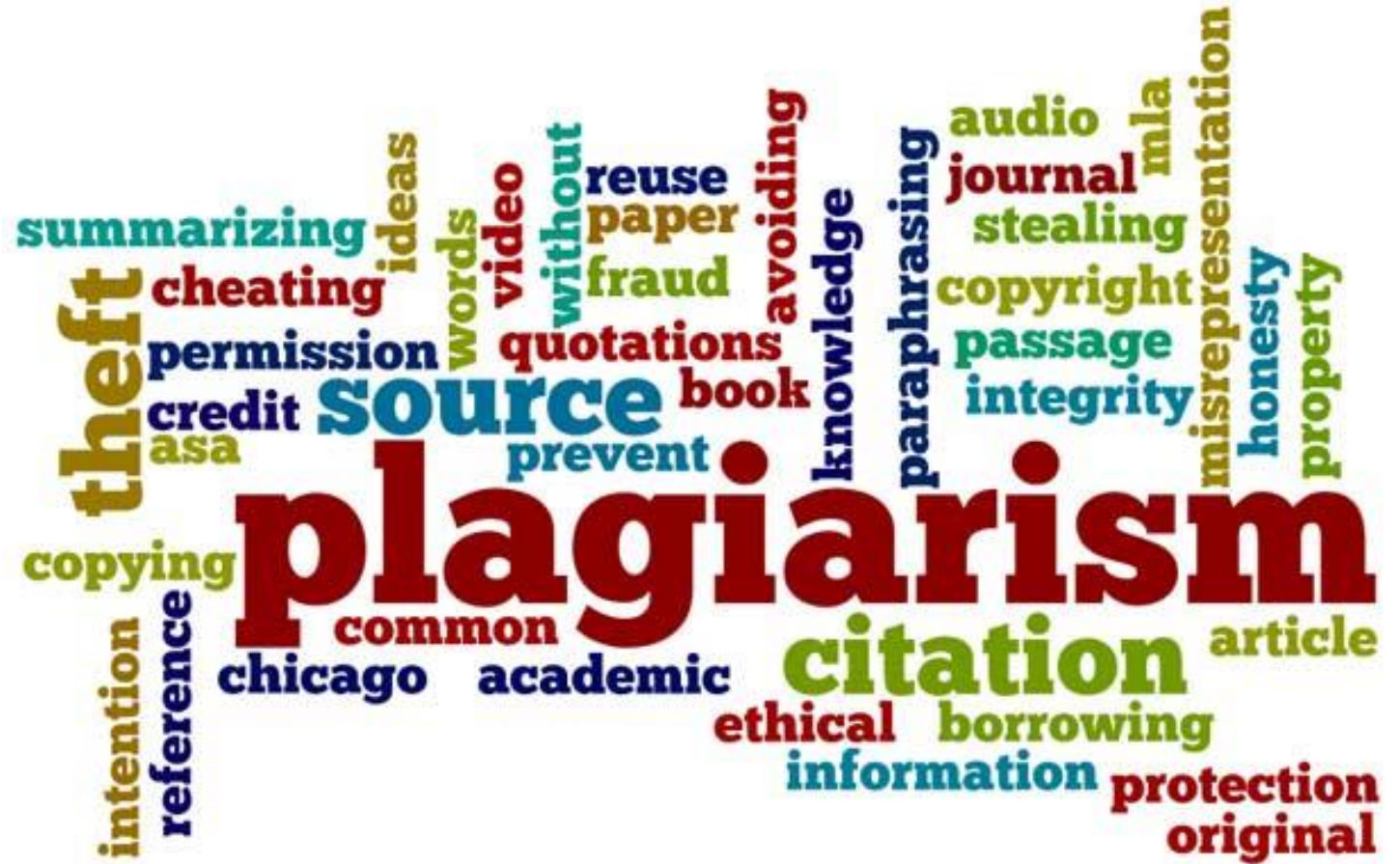
Check the assessment criteria for assignments

Some common feedback

- Poorly organised and lacking synthesis
- Lacks criticality
- Use of colloquial English and/or overly 'wordy' sentences (probably in an effort to combat the colloquial!)
- Very long sentences
- Repetition of sentences – the same point written in a slightly different way
- Lack of substantiation and use of sweeping statements

Avoiding Plagiarism...

- serious offence
- which system of referencing?
- module handbook
- don't panic – Referencing Guides
- keep a reference document as you write/research
- Library Guides



Help with assignments/academic study

[Study Zone digital Resources](#)



Academic Writing



Academic Reading



Notemaking



Scientific Writing



Taking a Critical Approach



Referencing & Academic Honesty



Time Management



Reflective Writing



Exams and Revision

Academic Language Skills modules & workshops

Languages EAP Team
English for Academic Purposes

- Subject-specific Academic English workshops
- Tutorials

studyhub.fxplus.ac.uk/languages

Language Skills Workshops



Avoiding common grammar mistakes	Lots of formative feedback!	Academic vocabulary & style
Structuring clear arguments	Paraphrasing & Summarising	Persuasive presentations
Dealing with complex texts	Language of criticality	The Sounds of English
Language for discussion/debates	Effective Introductions	Writing concisely & clearly

Other support and information

Visa advice

Particularly around employment - International Office: internationalCornwall@exeter.ac.uk

Academic Advice

Course tutors, The ELE

Penryn Information – Peter Lanyon

- Email: info.penryn@exeter.ac.uk



Wellbeing & Accessibility

studentservices@fxplus.ac.uk

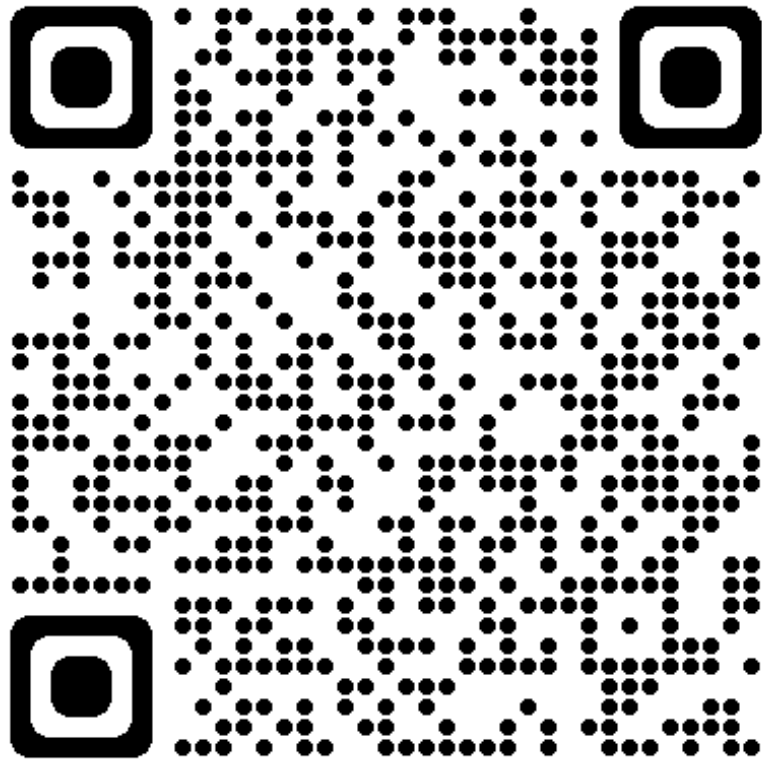
Pastoral & Spiritual



fxplus.ac.uk/student-support/multifaith-chaplaincy/

Not sure? Any Questions?

The Compass Desk in the Library

Events on Campus – FX Plus



Rottery Farming Cafe	building
	
14th September 2022 5:00pm - 6:30pm	14th September 2022 6:00pm - 11:00pm
Intercultural Café	Student Night
📍 Exchange Red Seminar, The Exchange Building	📍 Stannary Bar
Register »	Register »

ICC

- **The Intercultural Café** is a chance to meet people, and **celebrate different cultures in a relaxed, friendly space.**
- Students and researchers from across the universities in Cornwall are welcome to join us during term time for a **free hot drink and cake**, and the chance to meet people from all over the world, and find out more about life in Cornwall. Each week will be hosted by **one of the universities' teams** and will have a different theme.
- <https://fxplus.ac.uk/events-on-campus/>



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Social Football on Wednesdays



Wednesdays
5:00-6:00
At the MUGA



The SU societies



- <https://www.thesu.org.uk/activities/groups/directory/>

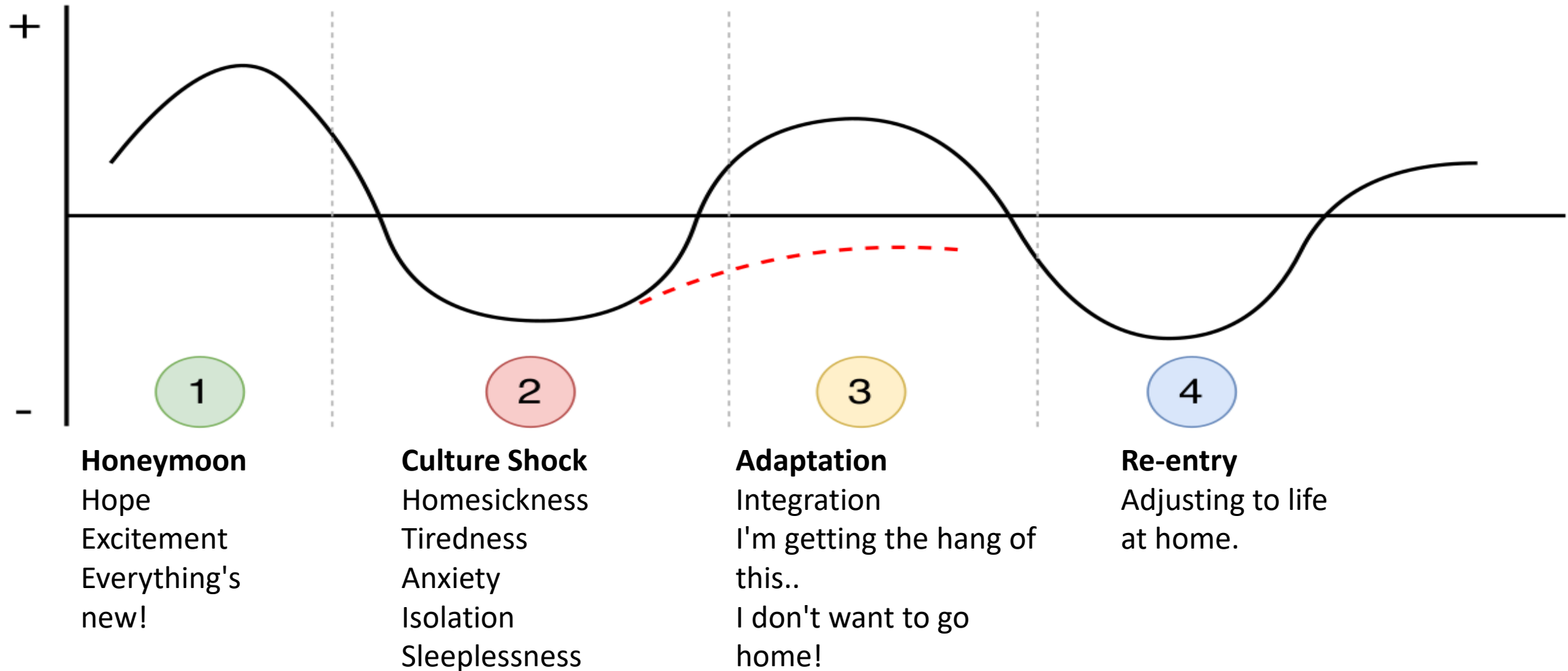


In short...

- You will have a unique UK experience
- It's a close community of students and staff
- There is a great deal of support available
- Work hard - play hard

Cultural adaptation

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The **W-curve model** of Culture Shock proposed by Gullahorn and Gullahorn (1963).

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Advice from other students

I will say only one very important thing. Do not go only with people from your country, community, etc.

GET INVOLVED!!!!

Bulgarian PGT

People like uniqueness and being international you've got a plus. Don't be shy, not on this campus. Go to taster events and events you sign up for in Freshers. Make good friends with neighbours. They will brighten your day. Take work seriously but not too seriously. Never stress out too much about work. And if in need get the extra help offered.

Italian/Argentinian L1

Key Links

Assignments, referencing and study support

- [the referencing guides](#) in the Library
- [the assessment criteria](#) (level 4 is first year UG; level 7 is Masters)
- Languages EAP [Academic English seminars / book tutorials](#)
- [Study Zone digital Resources](#)

Visas – internationalcornwall@exeter.ac.uk

IT - service.desk@fxplus.ac.uk

Timetables, finance, module choice info.penryn@exeter.ac.uk

Well-being & Accessibility studentservices@fxplus.ac.uk

Social Events - [The Students union \(The SU\)](#) and [Campus social calendar](#)

Any Questions at all! – [The Compass](#)

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