

JOURNALISM AND COMMUNICATIONS AT FALMOUTH

WELCOME TO BA(HONS) JOURNALISM AND COMMUNICATIONS AT FALMOUTH.

Your offer

Please remember that if you have been made a conditional offer to study at Falmouth, your place is subject to meeting those conditions. Conditional means that we are waiting to receive your results, or some more information, before your place is finalised. You can see any conditions in UCAS Track. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Admissions team on 01326 213730 or admissions@falmouth.ac.uk.

First week of term

Your first day of attendance will be **Monday 12 September 2016**. Please report to your introductory meeting at the **Chapel Lecture Theatre, Penryn Campus** at **9.30am**.

You can download a copy of the [Penryn Campus map](#) from the Contact page of our website [here](#).

Your first week at Falmouth will be an induction and orientation week. There will be important inductions for both the course and the wider university, in addition to a number of social activities. You will also be given course outlines and timetables.

Although there will be no formal classes in this week, there will be University inductions and a number of social activities taking place:

- 1pm – 2pm, Tuesday 13 September, Chapel Lecture Theatre: IT Drop In, Falmouth IT Suite, Du Maurier Building.
- 3pm – 4pm, Tuesday 13 September, Chapel Lecture Theatre: Student Services (where you will be introduced to your timetable).
- 4:30pm – 5:30pm, Tuesday 13 September, Chapel Lecture Theatre: Careers and Software Induction.

Formal classes will begin on Monday 19 September 2016.

MyTimetable

<https://mytimetable.falmouth.ac.uk/> available from 1 September 2016.

This is the link to MyTimetable, your online academic calendar which shows all scheduled learning activities and your course timetable. It will be available from 1 September 2016, however, timetables can be subject to change. To keep up to date, we recommend that you export the feed to your chosen device (mobile, tablet, laptop or desktop). An induction will be offered on the use of MyTimetable during freshers' week. Students will have access to their individual student timetables, where appropriate, once they have completed their online enrolment and IT induction.

Pre-course preparation

Materials and equipment list and costs

Essential

You will require a smartphone in order to engage with journalistic contacts and keep in touch with the news desk during production days. These range in price from £60 to £600 depending upon the brand and specification and can also be acquired through contracts with mobile phone suppliers.

You will also need a steady supply of reporter's notebooks and pens and should budget up to £20 a year for that purpose.

Tuition fees (per year)

2016-17 full-time UK/EU: £9,000

2016-17 full-time international: £15,000

During your course

Reading list and costs

Essential

Because of the extremely dynamic nature of journalism and communications in the digital age, textbooks are usually out-of-date by the time they are printed so relevant readings are normally available online or will be scanned and made available to all students free via the Learning Space. There is, however, one compulsory book purchase for this course:

Whyte, D., 2015. *How corrupt is Britain?* Pluto Press. RRP £15.

This is the core text for the Politics & Law for Journalists module, which runs in the second semester of Stage One, so you should acquire it and familiarise yourself with its contents before that module commences in February 2017.

Study trips and costs

Essential

All students on this course are expected to undertake a total of 15 days on industry placements in the final year. The total outlay tends to vary from £100 to £600 depending on where the host company is located (in Cornwall or elsewhere) and whether additional accommodation is required. This choice is up to you.

Optional

It has been our practice in recent years to offer final year students the opportunity of a three-day study visit before Easter. The University has met the costs of travel between Truro and London plus paid for accommodation in the capital. Students are asked to budget up to £100 for food, refreshments and London Underground tickets during their stay.

Enrolment and Student Terms & Conditions

You will receive an email two weeks prior to the start of term with details of how to enrol online. All students must enrol online before the first day of term in order to be officially registered as a student of Falmouth University. If you plan to receive an undergraduate student loan, you must enrol to have your money released to you.

As part of your enrolment, you will be required to agree to and comply with the University's Student Terms & Conditions. These Terms & Conditions are important and we encourage you to read them carefully, prior to enrolling online. They can be found on our Regulations, Policies and Procedures web page under 'Student Terms & Conditions' [here](#).

We know that there's a lot to do to prepare before the start of your course. If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to call our Admissions team for advice on 01326 213730 or email admissions@falmouth.ac.uk.

If you would like to download and print a copy of this email, please go to www.falmouth.ac.uk/new-students/welcome-letters.

Finally, we wish you an enjoyable and creative time before the course starts and we look forward to seeing you in September.

Yours sincerely

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