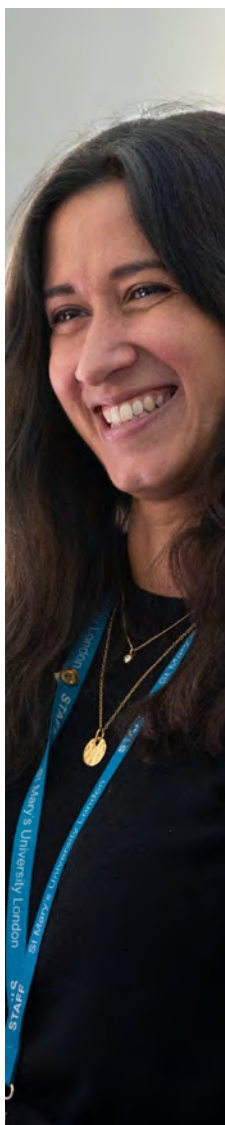
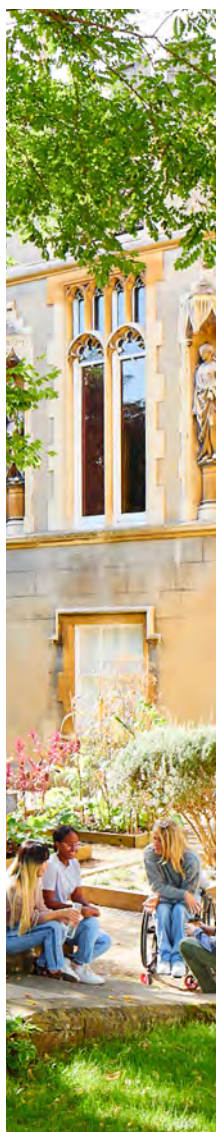




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Undergraduate Open Day

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Welcome

A very warm welcome to your Open Day at St Mary's University.

I am delighted that you're considering St Mary's as one of your university choices. As you begin the exciting journey of deciding where to apply this coming January, I know today will provide you with a genuine sense of what life at St Mary's could be like. You'll discover why so many of our students have chosen to make us their home away from home.

Choosing a university is a big decision, and we understand how important it is to find the right fit. Your time at university will be among the most transformative and rewarding years of your life. Here at St Mary's, you won't just be joining a university. You'll become part of a vibrant, supportive community of passionate, driven and diverse individuals who are committed to making a real difference in the world.

Our academic staff have prepared informative programme talks to give you an insight into your chosen course, and our current students are here to share their experiences and answer any questions you might have about university life. We're dedicated to helping you shape a future that's not only successful but deeply fulfilling. As you'll hear today, our alumni include Olympians, educators, artists and changemakers who are making a lasting impact across the world. Whatever your ambitions, we'll support you every step of the way.

When the time comes to submit your application, I hope St Mary's will be at the top of your list. I look forward to welcoming you to our community in September 2026.

A note for parents and supporters

We're so pleased you're here today. Your support plays a vital role in helping your young person take this exciting next step. St Mary's is dedicated to creating a safe, nurturing and positive environment, where students can thrive both academically and personally. I'm confident you'll experience this firsthand as you explore campus today.

Please don't hesitate to speak with staff or student ambassadors if you have any questions – we're here to support you too.

Professor Anthony McClaran
Vice-Chancellor



From the first day at St Mary's, everyone made me feel welcome. I love studying at St Mary's because the University has amazing lecturers who are very supportive and helpful. It's a beautiful university, where we always have something to do, from joining different clubs and societies, to sitting on the grass with friends.

Megi Jahja

St Mary's allows for the perfect balance between a tight-knit community and having the benefits of living in a big city. The campus is small, but offers so much. You are guaranteed to always say hello to someone you know anytime you are on campus.

Emma Piffner



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Getting the most from your day

Today is all about exploring what life could be like as a Simmie! This is your opportunity to dive deeper into what we have to offer, from attending subject talks and informative workshops to guided campus tours and more. Make the most of today by immersing yourself in all the experiences available and imagine yourself thriving as part of our vibrant student community.

It's your Open Day, so shape it to suit your needs and around the information you require.



Your Open Day Check List

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- ☐ **Welcome from your future Vice-Chancellor**
Gain insights into your academic journey and what makes St Mary's stand out.
 - ☐ **Explore the campus and our accommodation**
Join a guided tour and ask current students about life at St Mary's—this is your chance to get the inside scoop!
 - ☐ **Connect with your future lecturers**
Drop by the academic zone for one to one conversations with the experts who will be teaching and supporting you.
 - ☐ **Participate in an academic programme talk**
Get a feel for your course with an informative talk prepared to give you an insight into your chosen course.
 - ☐ **Discover opportunities beyond the classroom**
Attend talks by Careers, the Students' Union, or Student Services to learn about the supportive community waiting for you.
 - ☐ **Stop by the Craft n' Chat Station**
Connect with staff and current students while creating your own friendship bracelet. Or, if you're looking for a peaceful moment, this is the perfect spot to relax and reflect.
 - ☐ **Take a well-deserved break**
Enjoy free refreshments, grab a slice of pizza, relax, and reflect on what life at St Mary's could be like for you.
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Who will you be at St Mary's University?

General talks and tours

The majority of our subject talks will be taking place between 11.15pm and 1.30pm, giving you plenty of time to explore the rest of our campus, join information talks and discover all the elements that make us a great place to study.

Our tours and zones are open all day, 10-3pm.

Tours and zones	
Activity	Location
Campus tours Explore our campus and ask our Student Ambassadors any questions you might have about St Mary's. Our campus tours run every 15 minutes and take approximately 45 minutes.	Dolce Vita Lounge
Accommodation tours See the accommodation options available at St Mary's. Our accommodation tours run every 15 minutes and take approximately 45 minutes.	Dolce Vita Lounge
Academic zone Our academic teams will be around all day to answer any of your questions on a one to one basis.	The 1850
Student Services zone Speak to our experts who provide a wide range of support. Our Admissions, Accommodation, Funding, Wellbeing and Chaplaincy team will be present all day to answer any questions.	The 1850
Student Life zone St Mary's Students' Union and Sport St Mary's will be joined by clubs and societies to tell you all about the extra-curricular opportunities available to you whilst you study.	The 1850
Multi-faith prayer room Our multi-faith prayer room is open to all visitors and is located in the main building. One of our friendly Student Ambassadors will be happy to help you find it.	Main building
Craft n' Chat Zone Create a friendship bracelet with our friendly staff and students, and ask any questions that you might have about St Mary's in a relaxed environment.	The 1850

Talks		
Activity	Time	Location
Welcome from the Vice-Chancellor A warm welcome from Professor Anthony McClaran	10.30-11am	G7
Student Services talk Find out about the student funding, accommodation and wellbeing services at St Mary's, and what support is available to you.	1-1.20pm	G5
Careers and Employability talk The Employability team are ready to talk all things careers, work placements, and the support they can offer to ensure you're prepared for life as a St Mary's student and graduate.	1.25-1.45pm	G5
Students' Union talk Our Students' Union (SMSU) is the main representative body of all students at St Mary's. Hear about what support they can offer as well as the major events and entertainment they organise throughout the year.	1.50-2.20pm	G5
How to write a great UCAS application A session delivered by the Student Recruitment team, providing an overview of everything you need to do to write a standout university application.	2.25-3pm	G7
A Q&A Session for Parents and Supporters A session dedicated to supporting parents or carers who have questions about their child's future at St Mary's, and how you can support them on this journey.	2.25-3pm	G5



Subject talks

Our academic teams have designed informative sessions to give you an overview of your chosen subject. These sessions will also include the opportunity for you to ask any questions you might have.

Faculty of Sport, Technology and Health Sciences		
Degree	Time	Location
Computer Science BSc (Hons) and pathways	11.15am-12.15pm	E-Sports Arena
Chelsea FC Foundation Coaching and Development FdSc (and BSc top-up)	12.30-1.30pm	J101
Nutrition BSc (Hons)	12.30-1.30pm	K107
Sport and Exercise Nutrition BSc (Hons)		
Physical Education, Sport and Youth Development BA (Hons)	12.30-1.30pm	J102
Physical Education and Sports Coaching FdSc		
Physiotherapy BSc (Hons)	11.30am-12.30pm	60 Waldegrave Road
Psychology BSc (Hons)	11.15am-12.45pm	Shannon 1 and 2
Psychology with Counselling BSc (Hons)		
Psychology of Sport and Performance BSc (Hons)		
Strength and Conditioning Science BSc (Hons)	11.15am-12.15pm	G7
Sport and Exercise Science BSc (Hons)		
Sports Coaching Science BSc (Hons)		
Sports Rehabilitation BSc (Hons)	12.30-1.30pm	G7
Sports Performance Analysis and Talent Identification BSc (Hons)	11.15am-12.15pm	J101

- If you are attending the Physiotherapy talk, please be at Main Reception for 11.10am.

School of Education and School of Theology and the Arts		
Degree	Time	Location
Acting BA (Hons)	11.15am-12.15pm	Studio 2
Creative Production BA (Hons)		
Filmmaking BA (Hons)	11.15am-12.15pm	E5
Film Studies BA (Hons)		
Education Studies BA (Hons)	11.15am-12.15pm	K115
English Literature BA (Hons)	11.15am-12.15pm	Waldegrave Drawing Room
Creative and Professional Writing BA (Hons)		
History BA (Hons)		
Liberal Arts BA (Hons)		
Politics and International Relations BA (Hons)		
Primary Education BA (Hons) with QTS (including FdAs and Foundation Year)	11.15am-12.15pm	K222
Primary Education Work Based Routes	11.15am-12.15pm	K217
Theology, Religion and Ethics BA (Hons)	11.15am-12.15pm	Senior Common Room
Theological Studies BA (Hons)		

School of Business and Law		
Degree	Time	Location
Criminology and Sociology BSc (Hons)	11.15am-12.15pm	D121
Law LLB (Hons)	12.30-1.30pm	N44
Law with Criminology LLB (Hons)		
Law with Business LLB (Hons)		
Business Management BSc (Hons) and all pathways	12.30-1.30pm	Waldegrave Drawing Room
Sports Management BSc (Hons)		
Marketing and Communication BSc (Hons)		
Marketing and Sports Communication BSc (Hons)		

- If you are attending a pre-UCAS audition today, these are taking place at 12.15pm after the Acting programme talk. If you need any support today, please head to the Acting drop-in desk in the 1850 where the team will be happy to help.



Places to eat and drink today

The Refectory

Take a break for refreshments and a chat in The Refectory, the University's largest food outlet in the heart of campus. Choose from an extensive menu of freshly cooked meals, snacks and drinks. Light bites are available throughout the day and our lunch menu is available from midday.

Dolce Vita Café and Lounge

With floor-to-ceiling windows and an outside terrace overlooking the University's grounds and the Sir Mo Farah athletics track, the Dolce Vita Café provides a great location to take five. Choose from a range of refreshments including Paddy & Scott's coffee, cold drinks and a selection of cakes, sandwiches and light lunch options.

What's available today?

Head to the Dolce Vita Café between 12pm and 3pm to grab your free chicken gyros!

There is also free tea and coffee available in the Dolce Vita Lounge.

The Refectory



The 1850



Your Students' Union

St Mary's Students' Union (SMSU) is the main representative body of all students at St Mary's University. We're here for you if you need support and advice on an individual basis and represent St Mary's students locally and nationally. We're the heart of student life and societies on campus, hosting and organising major events and entertainment throughout the year.

Your Opportunities

From societies to fundraising and volunteering, we provide opportunities to meet new people and build your Simmie experience. Getting involved with



one of our societies is a great way to make your university life memorable. Follow a new interest or link up with a cultural group – we've got it all.

Your Voice

We empower you to shape your university experience by providing opportunities for you to give feedback on your course and student life, and to campaign on issues that matter to you. Each year, SMSU holds elections for the new leaders of the organisation: the Education President and the Student Life President. We also have 4 Vice-Presidents: Inclusion, Wellbeing, Postgraduate and International. These roles, along with course rep and subject chair roles, give you a fantastic chance to be part of the democratic voice for St Mary's students at a national level.

Events

We run a range of events to give you new experiences – whether that's cheering on your friends at Varsity, riding the Ferris wheel at Welcome Fest, or dancing the night away at Summer Ball.

Supporting you

We work to make sure that you have access to the right support whenever you need it by collaborating with the University to ensure your welfare needs are met. We lead many welfare and diversity campaigns throughout the year, including Mental Health Awareness and LGBTQ+ history. We can advise on a range of issues or help to signpost you to professional services on and off campus. Additionally, we collect your opinions on local health services, internal and external support providers and give feedback to ensure this informs development of the services that you use.

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Student Varsity



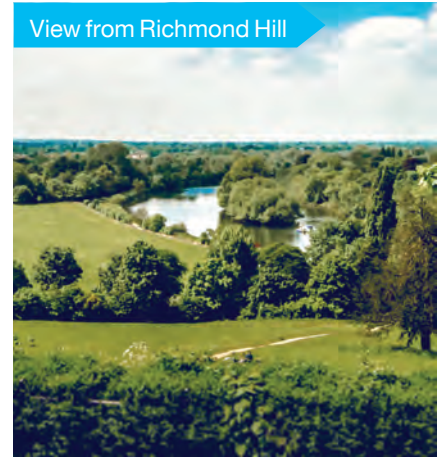
Student Activities



Twickenham Riverside



View from Richmond Hill



Explore the local area

If you have some free time after your visit today, why not make the most out of your trip to this beautiful part of London.

Twickenham may be most well-known for its association with rugby but there is plenty more to see, such as Church Street with its boutiques, cafés and bars. There are also sites of cultural and historical interest, including Hampton Court Palace, the Thames riverside and the nearby Royal Parks (Bushy and Richmond).

If you still have energy to spare, you can hop on a train from Twickenham and connect to Richmond, Clapham Junction and Waterloo.

Twickenham Stadium



Central London



Church Street, Twickenham





My favourite place to go is Pools on the Park in Richmond. With a subscription I can swim whenever I like! You can catch the 490 bus from Twickenham which drops you off right outside the centre. It's incredibly easy to access and my friends and I enjoy swimming there. It's a great way to socialise and relax whilst exercising. On our way back from swimming, we usually stop off for bubble tea at Cupps on Kings Street which is just a short bus journey from the University. The people there are really friendly and always remember us when we come in. They offer student discounts and loyalty points if you get the app, which allows free drinks, so it's great for a student's budget!"

Robin, BA (Hons) Creative and Professional Writing graduate



Hampton Court Palace



I love Church Street which is arguably the most charming part of Twickenham. It's made up of 40 independent restaurants and businesses, and hosts so many local events and street festivals. While you're there, make sure to drop by Twickenham's riverside and capture the moment from Eel Pie Island bridge!"

Jakub, BA (Hons) Communications, Media and Marketing graduate and current MSc Marketing student



What do our students recommend?



Richmond is one of my favourite places in London and it's just a ten minute bus or train ride away from campus. The area by the Thames is beautiful, especially during sunset when you walk across the bridge or along the different trails. Church Street, in the heart of Twickenham, is a great spot with cafés, restaurants and boutiques. One of my all-time favourite restaurants is Osteria Pulcinella, an Italian gem where I had the most delicious food during my own Experience Day visit. I've made it a tradition to return for birthdays and special occasions! Let's not forget the Princess Alice charity shops – I adore thrifting there. The items found in the charity shops in this area are always of great value. There is the Rotunda in Kingston. It is across the street from Kingston train station and has bowling, escape rooms, an Odeon, and other restaurants.

Jolanta, BA History (Hons) graduate and current MA Public History postgraduate

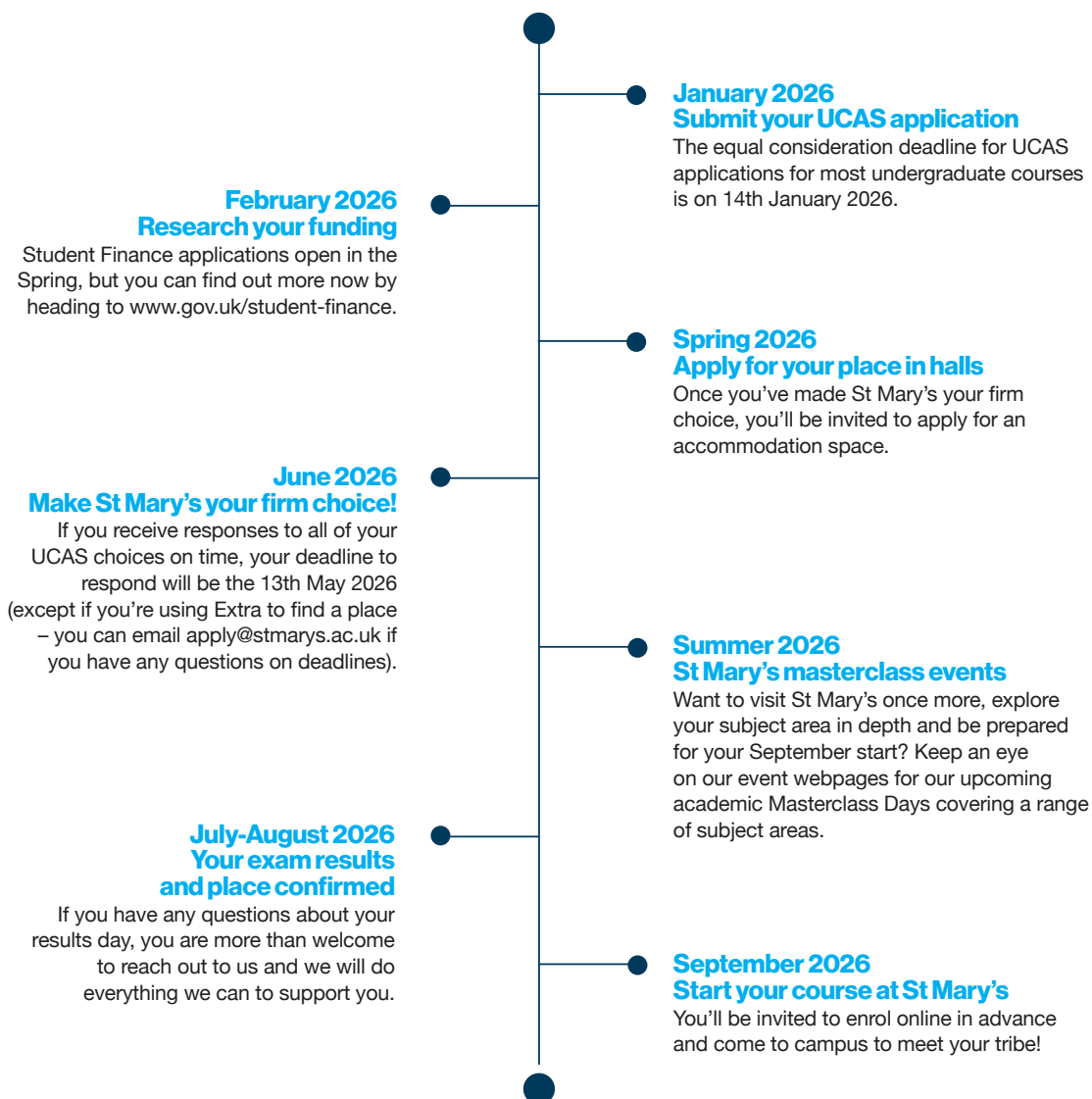


Bushy Park



Your timeline to St Mary's

You can now check 'Attend an Open Day' off your pre-university to-do list! As you prepare to apply St Mary's this January, we'll keep you updated with important information throughout the year. If you have any questions or need guidance, our friendly Student Recruitment team is here to help. Simply reach out to us at hello@stmarys.ac.uk, or follow @yourstmarys on Instagram, and we'll connect you to the right people.





Stay up to date with all things St Mary's

Parent and supporters comms

SCAN ME



If you'd like to be kept updated with next steps and information about the journey to becoming a St Mary's student, as well as parent and guardian focused events, please scan this QR code to sign up.

Download the MySMU app

SCAN ME



Our MySMU app is where you will find all the information you need as you prepare to start St Mary's this September.

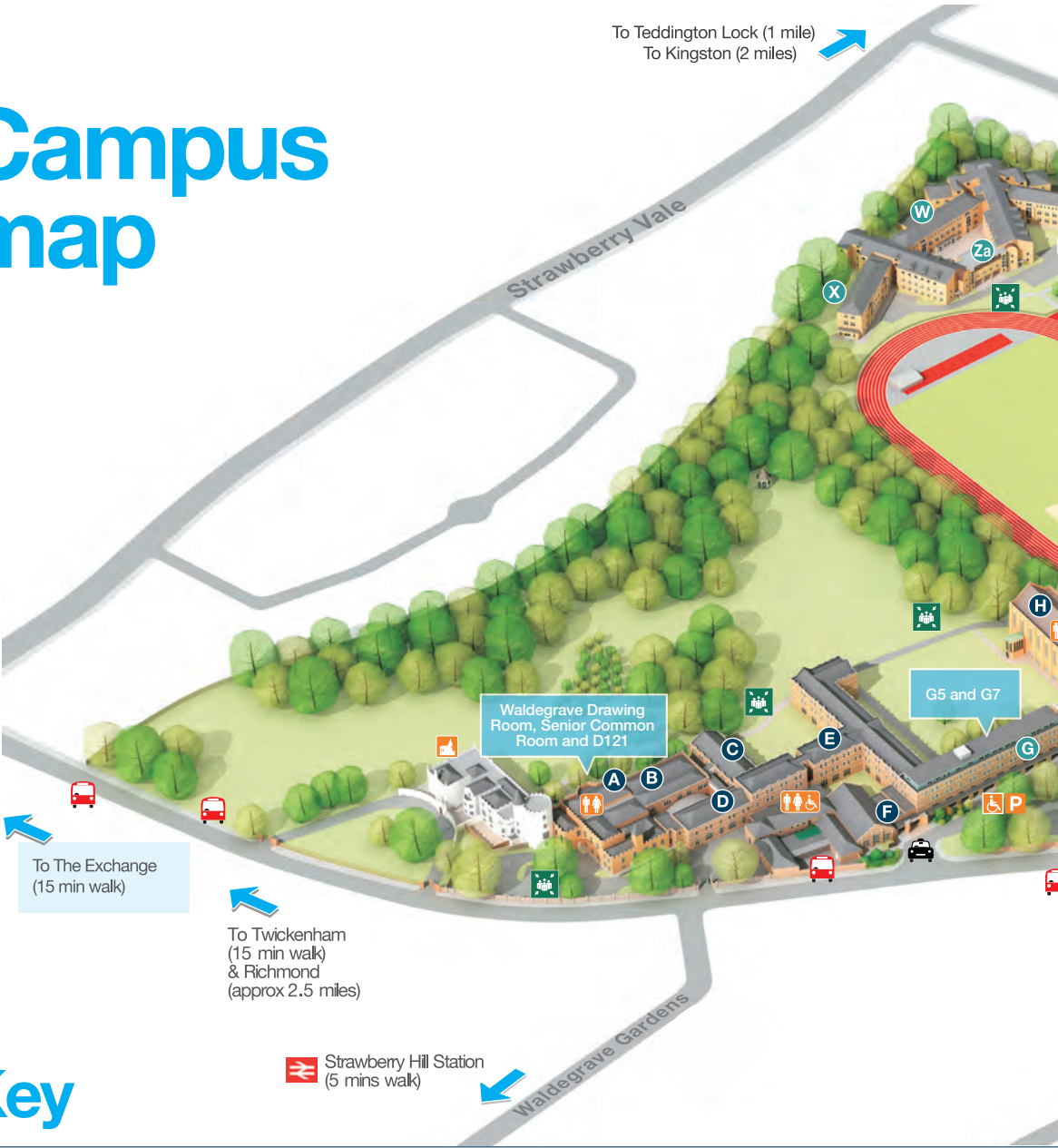
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Follow us to hear from our students, learn more about the opportunities available during your studies and meet your future classmates.

Campus map



Key

 Parking	 Café and restaurants	A Waldegrave Suite
 Disabled car parking areas	 Fire Assembly point	B B & D Corridor Rooms
 Male and female toilets	 Taxi drop-off	C C Corridor Rooms
 Male, female & disabled toilets	 Bus stop (33)	D Drama Studios & Postroom
 Baby changing facilities	 Strawberry Hill House	E E & F Corridor Rooms
 Electric car charging point		F Main Reception, Security & Offices
		G Old House Lecture Rooms
		H Chapel
		Hi Library
		J Student Services (includes The 1850, Registry, Accommodation, Fees, Bar & Lounge)
		Ji Dolce Vita (food & drink)

In addition, we have 30 acres of playing fields with changing rooms at our Teddington Lock campus - about 15 minutes walk from the main campus.

K	K Block Lecture Rooms & SMSU
L	L Block Lecture Rooms
M	Computer Science Labs
N	N Block Lecture Rooms
Ni	Refectory (food and drink)
O	Commuter Lounge
Q	Chaplaincy
R	Sports Centre, Clinic & R Block R
Ri	Sports Hall
S	Shannon Conference Suite
T	Theatre
Zi	Tennis Centre

S, T, U	Clive
Za, X, W, V	De Marillac, Graham, Wiseman, Doyle
Y	Cronin
Z	Cashin
5, 9, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 33, 35	Waldegrave Park houses
G	Old House
16	16 Strawberry Hill Road

Thank you for visiting. We welcome your feedback.

Help us to ensure these events provide the best possible experience. Complete our survey to be entered into a prize draw for a £50 Amazon Voucher.

HOW DID WE DO?



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