

University Foundation Study

Academic Culture

Course Book

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Skills Map

Unit 1

Understanding academic culture

Familiarise yourself with key terminology related to academic life.

Unit 2

The transition to higher education

Identify and discuss important issues in this transition.

Unit 3

Expectations of higher education institutions

Examine both your own expectations of the teaching staff and the institution as well as the expectations placed on you as a student.

Unit 4

Critical incident analysis

Discuss issues relating to potential misunderstandings and miscommunication in academic life.

Unit 5

Cross-cultural communication

Evaluate and participate in effective and appropriate communication techniques for academic situations.

Unit 6

Philosophy of teaching and learning

Examine your attitudes to and beliefs about what both teaching and learning involve.

Destination: Academic Culture