Welcome to Balham University

“Balham – Gateway to The South!”

This introduction is intended to give you some practical information to help you survive the first few weeks at the University. After that, you are on your own, unless you can master the University’s website.

**Finding The University Buildings**

You will need a copy of the London A-Z map book. Get a pocket-sized one and take it everywhere with you. We are on page 73, map reference D3.

**Finding the Lecture Rooms**

Our lecture rooms are up on the top floor. Don’t bother waiting for the lift – the stairs are quicker and you’ll keep fitter by running all the way up.

**Your Lecture Timetable**

You will receive this as a .MP3 download to your mobile, the first time you visit the department. So you will need to come and find us well before the start of term. Remember to set your mobile “Bluetooth discoverable”.

Autumn Term

This is 13 weeks, starting the first Monday in September. We have a Reading Week the first week in December, so the staff can get their Christmas shopping done.

Spring Term

This is 15 weeks, starting the first Monday in January. There is no Reading Week because our staff get their Easter eggs from the supermarket which is open 24/7.

Summer Term

This is 17 weeks, starting the first Monday after the end of the Spring Term. The 2nd week is given over to exam revision classes. The 3rd – 10th weeks are for private study. 11th week is Reading Week. 12th-13th are entirely devoted to examinations. After the exams have completed, students are permitted to organise sports and social events during timetabled periods, to complement their studies.