



Welcome to the University of Sussex

I am delighted that you have accepted our offer of a place to study here and I am sure you will find your time at Sussex enjoyable, challenging and rewarding. Our aim is to provide you with the tools and skills that will enable you to achieve your future career's goals. At the same time I hope you will have a stimulating and enjoyable time, make new friends and colleagues, and exploit the broad range of social, sporting and educational facilities on offer.

The Department of Engineering & Design is a leading edge UK Engineering Department that is highly regarded for the quality of its teaching and research and has strong links with industry. We have well-equipped facilities with specialist technical and research staff to support your study or research.

You should find your postgraduate work, whether for a taught course or a research degree, a considerable challenge after being an undergraduate. At this level, we expect you to be self-motivated and take responsibility for your own learning. On our taught Masters courses you will develop state of the art expertise in your specialisation through your advanced level courses and an extended project, continuing until the end of August 2022.

On a research degree, you will need a high level of dedication to enable you to make an original contribution to your chosen topic. You are likely to be working as part of a research group with others on similar projects. Your main supervisor's role is to direct your research and to provide advice and guidance based on their experience and expertise. Also, as a member of the Doctoral School at Sussex, you will have the opportunity to undertake training in a variety of areas that you will find valuable for your research and future career. I strongly encourage you to take advantage of these opportunities.

The University of Sussex has strong support networks which offer academic, personal and financial advice. In the first instance you should contact your MSc Course Convenor or your research supervisor, as appropriate. The School Office in Chichester 1 can deal with administrative matters. Contact them on ei@sussex.ac.uk If you run into difficulties at any time due to personal problems you should contact our Student Life Centre: <http://www.sussex.ac.uk/studentlifecentre/>.

Our programme of induction activities will introduce you to the Department, your course, and University facilities, including the Library and IT Services. This is also an excellent opportunity to meet current and new students from across the University. I look forward to meeting you there.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Glovnea', written over a horizontal line.

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