

**LSE International Development**

# Academic Mentoring

There is an expectation that you will meet with your academic mentor at-least twice a term in one-to-one and/or group sessions.

ID has an “**open door policy**”, and you can seek advice from any departmental staff by booking an office hour on Student Hub, or contact them via email if you see the allocated slots are full. Meeting other department staff can be useful if you need topical expertise for your dissertation.

Every student has an Academic Mentor who acts as their first point of contact with the academic community. Your Academic Mentor will keep an overview of your academic progress and overall well-being during your time at the School. Your academic mentor will also support you in your dissertation journey as a first point of contact as you will not be assigned a separate dissertation supervisor.

## AUTUMN TERM

- Introduce yourself and discuss course selection
- Ask relevant questions from the list provided (scan the QR code)
- Discuss your mode of communication
- Ask for general guidance on formative and summative assessments
- Discuss feedback
- Share any concerns

## WINTER TERM

- Check in on what is going well and any concerns or challenges
- Discuss dissertation
- Start career planning, including internship applications
- Ask for guidance on support available if needed

## SPRING TERM

- Ask your mentor for guidance with job and/or internship applications
- Check in with exam preparation
- Have concrete discussion about your dissertation ideas
- Make the most of office hours this term as office hour bookings close in WEEK 7 of the Spring Term

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ME!**

