

# Key University Terms

As a student at the University of Greenwich, you may encounter various acronyms used in academic and administrative contexts. Here are some commonly used acronyms and their meanings:

Acronyms	Terms	Notes
<b>AH</b>	<b>Avery Hill</b>	Avery Hill Campus - SE9 2UG
<b>BRP</b>	<b>Biometric Residence Permit</b>	A Biometric Residence Permit (BRP) is a secure identity card that contains personal details and biometric information. It is your visa and is proof of your right to be in the UK as a student. More information is available at <a href="https://www.gre.ac.uk/visa">https://www.gre.ac.uk/visa</a>
<b>CAS</b>	<b>Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies</b>	CAS is an electronic document that generates a reference number you need to be able to apply for a visa. A CAS number confirms to UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) that we wish to sponsor your study in the UK.
<b>DBS</b>	<b>Disclosure Barring Services</b>	You may have to complete a DBS check if studying in FEHHS. <a href="#">Enhanced DBS Certificates   Welcome   University of Greenwich</a>
<b>DSC</b>	<b>Digital Student</b>	<a href="#">Our Digital Student Centre</a> will be your one-stop-shop for student enquiries and enhanced

	<b>Centre</b>	personalised support. Find answers to common questions, raise enquiries or request documents like Student Status Letters.
<b>Digital Champions</b>	<b>Digital Champion</b>	<a href="#">Digital Champions</a> support students with peer-assisted learning. They provide digital skills and capabilities support to new and continuing students at all levels.
<b>FEHHS</b>	<b>Faculty of Education, Health, and Human Sciences</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Education, Health, and Human Sciences</a> - All campuses
<b>FES</b>	<b>Faculty of Engineering and Science</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Engineering and Science</a> - Medway and Greenwich Campus
<b>FLAS</b>	<b>Faculty of Liberal Arts and Sciences</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Liberal Arts and Sciences</a> - Greenwich Campus
<b>GBS</b>	<b>Greenwich Business School</b>	<a href="#">Greenwich Business School</a> - Greenwich Campus
<b>GRE</b>	<b>Greenwich</b>	Greenwich Campus - SE10 9LS
<b>Greenwich Gateway Card</b>	<b>Greenwich ID Card</b>	Your Greenwich Gateway Card is more than just your university ID card. It also provides access to resources across the university, such as library book borrowing and printing &

		scanning.
<b>GSU</b>	<b>Greenwich Students' Union</b>	<a href="#">A democratic organisation run by students for students</a> to represent student views to the University at all levels and to provide support services for its members. You can get involved by joining a society or a sports club, becoming a programme rep or accessing their free and confidential Advice Service.
<b>H&amp;S</b>	<b>Health and Safety</b>	<a href="#">The University's health and safety information</a> includes policies, useful links and emergency arrangements.
<b>ILS</b>	<b>Information and Library Services</b>	Library Services can help with referencing, exam preparation, making the most of the library's journals, books, databases and resources. More information is available at: <a href="https://www.gre.ac.uk/it-and-library/library">https://www.gre.ac.uk/it-and-library/library</a>
<b>Induction</b>	<b>Course Induction</b>	We put on a range of activities to welcome students and get you used to your new surroundings. Special events happen at the course level also, you'll be given your own timetable to follow during our Welcome Week induction. You can find full details and useful links on our Welcome webpage: <a href="https://www.gre.ac.uk/welcome">https://www.gre.ac.uk/welcome</a>
<b>MFA</b>	<b>Multi-factor Authenticator</b>	Conveniently and securely sign in to all your online accounts using multifactor authentication, password less sign-in or

		password autofill with Microsoft Authenticator. You need to enable MFA to access our university systems. Please visit our website to find out more: <a href="https://www.gre.ac.uk/it-and-library/infosec/protect-yourself/mfa">https://www.gre.ac.uk/it-and-library/infosec/protect-yourself/mfa</a>
<b>MW</b>	<b>Medway</b>	Medway Campus - ME4 4TB
<b>OLR</b>	<b>Online Registration</b>	Every September you will be invited to complete the online part of registration on this website: <a href="https://banssa.gre.ac.uk/BannerGeneralSsb/ai">https://banssa.gre.ac.uk/BannerGeneralSsb/ai</a> <a href="#">p</a>
<b>Part 1 of Registration</b>	<b>Online Registration</b>	When registration opens for your course, we'll send you an invitation to <a href="#">register online</a> . This can be completed from any device with an internet connection.
<b>Part 2 of Registration</b>	<b>Document Checks</b>	If you're a new student, we'll need to confirm your <a href="#">documents</a> before we can issue your student ID card.
<b>Part 3 of Registration</b>	<b>ID Card Collection</b>	Once you have finished online registration and your documents have been confirmed by university staff, you can collect your <a href="#">Greenwich Gateway card</a> . To find out what you need to bring to collect your ID card please visit our website: <a href="https://www.gre.ac.uk/welcome/registration/student-cards">https://www.gre.ac.uk/welcome/registration/student-cards</a>

<b>PG</b>	<b>Postgraduate</b>	Postgraduate study refers to the range of courses available to students who have completed undergraduate studies.
<b>PGR</b>	<b>Postgraduate Research</b>	Studying a doctorate/MPhil is considered a PGR degree.
<b>PGT</b>	<b>Postgraduate Taught</b>	Studying for a Masters is considered a PGT degree
<b>RA</b>	<b>Resident Assistant</b>	<a href="#">Resident Assistants</a> help student residents throughout their time in halls of residence and run hall events.
<b>Report + Support</b>	<b>Report + Support</b>	Through <a href="#">Report + Support</a> , students can anonymously report things like bullying, discrimination, sexual misconduct, or ask to speak to a trained advisor to get information on reporting options and support available.
<b>SA</b>	<b>Student Ambassador</b>	Becoming a <a href="#">Student Ambassador</a> is a great way to work during your studies while also developing essential skills.
<b>Safezone App</b>	<b>SafeZone App</b>	<a href="#">The SafeZone App</a> is designed to put you in touch with the on campus first aiders, security or emergency response teams more quickly, when needed.

<p><b>STAART</b></p>		<p><a href="#">STAART</a> supports students with a disability, long-term health condition, neurodivergence (autistic and dyslexic spectra), and/or mental health condition to thrive at university.</p>
<p><b>Student Letter</b></p>	<p><b>Student Status Letter</b></p>	<p>The Student Centre provides four standard letters that can be used for the following purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Confirmation of Student Status</b>, used as general proof that you are a student</li> <li>• <b>Bank</b>, used to support the opening of a student bank account</li> <li>• <b>Council Tax</b>, used to support a claim for a reduction in council tax. Find out more on our website: <a href="https://www.gre.ac.uk/student-services/student-centres/student-letters">https://www.gre.ac.uk/student-services/student-centres/student-letters</a>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Student Mentors</b></p>	<p><b>Student Mentor</b></p>	<p><a href="#">Student peer mentors</a> support first year students in settling into university life.</p>
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<b>UG</b>	<b>Undergraduate</b>	You're an undergraduate student if you are studying for your first degree - usually a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Science (BSc).
<b>UGIC</b>	<b>University Greenwich International College</b>	<a href="#">University of Greenwich International College</a> is an embedded college located near the main campus at University of Greenwich, offering an exciting range of undergraduate and postgraduate courses for international students.
<b>Vygo</b>	<b>Vygo Student Peer Mentoring Programme</b>	This scheme is a peer-to-peer support system that <b>helps new students adjust to life at the University of Greenwich</b> . Being a member of the scheme has lots of benefits; it will help you settle in, make new friends and learn about life at Greenwich.
<b>Welcome</b>	<b>Welcome Week</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">The Welcome Team</a> are current students who support with student questions until they have settled into university life at Greenwich.</li> <li>• In the <a href="#">Welcome</a> Information Hubs, new students can chat with Welcome</li> </ul>

		<p>Ambassadors about uni life, collect free gifts, find out about support services and participate in SU activities and welcome events.</p>
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