Informing Students of the Requirements of Higher Education: A Bespoke Online Solution



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A Bespoke Online Solution... The Informed Study Project





When students commence the programme they are allocated to a tutorial group of approximately 15 students. Tutorials usually provide an opportunity for deeper learning of new or previously explored topics, and are also a good opportunity for students to ask questions they may not feel comfortable asking in a lecture format.

If the tutorial is related to a previous lecture, students need to prepare by reading the lecture notes prior to the tutorial.

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I was apprehensive ...about meeting so many new people but the small tutorial group structure (of about 15) meant I got to know those people first and then it was easy.

- Fred, Second Year Student



Information on Tutorials	
Duration	Usually last for an hour followed by a break, but may last up to two hours.
Number of students	Maximum of 30 if a double tutorial group, but 15 if a single tutorial group
Venue	Small teaching rooms with moveable chairs and desks
Teaching Style	Tutorials are generally of an interactive nature and have a wide range of formats but usually involve small group work e.g. groups of 6 - 8

Bristol Online Survey Findings (76% completed)



- ❖ 99%, information was clear
- * 86%, gave more information than already had
- ❖ 92%, process was clear
- ❖ 81%, had increased the likelihood of them accepting their offer/ they already had



Site Analytics & Engagement

- 220 Unique Page Views
- Average Time on Site: 9 Minutes 15 seconds
- ❖ 75% Visitor Return Rate
- ❖ 66% Continued browsing programme content
- England: 63%; Wales: 31%; International: 6%
- Demonstrable Student Engagement



Evaluation



- ❖ 0% attrition rate to date
- Reduces queries to programme administration / admissions office
- Provides a transparent process of self evaluation which is auditable

Evaluation



- Provides an opportunity for a closer working relationship with Occupational Health
- Can be on any web platform and integrated into any current web designs
- Can be applied widely across HEI's

Student Comments

- * "...states what is required of prospective students, as well as what they can look forward to"
- * "...just explains some of the terms used at university. Such as lectures, tutorials etc...what exactly they mean"
- * "I have been given a greater depth of knowledge about the course from Cardiff than from any other university"