



## *Letters from London #4*

Dear Student,

This will be the final letter in our series Letters from London that has aimed to introduce you to London and NYU London's programme, I hope you have found the letters helpful and they have proved useful to your planning. Only one week to go now! I hope you are all getting excited? If you are anything like me, before I go on a big trip, you'll probably have a mixture of emotions: excited about all of the new things that you are about to experience and nervous about all of the new things you are about to experience.

Be reassured that everyone here in London is ready to welcome you. On January 25th, Consi Hoabes, Chris Shia, Sonia Andriano and your RAs for the semester will be ready to greet you as you arrive at (either) our Guilford Street Byron Court, Urbanest or Woburn Place residences. If you have any questions or problems, connected to your arrival in to London, could I ask you to make a note of the following phone number: **0800-316-0469** – then Option Two. This will connect you (or your parents) to the NYU London Duty Phone where you can receive local guidance and help.

Before you arrive, you should be able to see a copy of the Orientation schedule that will be posted on the NYU blog, which will give you a good idea of the plan for your first few days. It's a pretty busy schedule but one which should allow you to acclimatise to London pretty quickly. Please let us know (via [hub@nyu.ac.uk](mailto:hub@nyu.ac.uk)) if you or your parents have any questions and we'll do our best to answer them.

### **Scotland Trip**

One final piece of housework before I can get to the questions, I have been asked over the last week, is an update on the Scotland weekend trip. The trip is almost sold out (**only 8 places left!**) so I will still encourage students to send me their booking form, even if these means that you will end up on the trip's Wait List.





## *Letters from London #3*

### Your Questions

**1) How far away is the supermarket and other local amenities away from the residence buildings?**

This is a very good question and one we will attempt to answer (most fully) on the afternoon of Housing Check-In on Wednesday January 25th when we will take you on a neighbourhood walking tour and show you the amenities local to your residence. Woburn Place, Byron Court and Guilford Street, for example, are very close (5 minutes' walk) to a shopping centre called the Brunswick Centre. The Brunswick Centre has pretty much everything that you will need. The biggest supermarket in the area is Waitrose which is our supermarket with the best range of fine foods. There is also a cheaper Tesco store and bigger Sainsbury's supermarket within easy walking distance. For residents of Urbanest, there is a Waitrose store in Granary Square, a two minute walk from the building.

**2) I was just about to buy an Oyster card and was not sure if I should order in the States or when I get over to London?**

Don't buy anything: NYU will purchase Oyster Cards for all of our new students! An Oyster Card, for those who don't know, is a multi-purpose pass that allows you to travel on London's Transport System. The card NYU will purchase for you will have **£35.00 credit** on, so as we can complete your first few journeys without having to worry about ticketing. After that you would be free to top the card up to best suit your needs.

I hope this is helpful to your planning and see you all next week!

Best regards,  
Julia Thanh