



Dear future student

I chose NTU because of how welcoming it seemed, despite being new and exciting all at the same time. I actually visited the campus the year before I started my degree, and that heavily influenced my decision to go here. The day was sunny, the university buildings looked really nice, and the people were friendly.

I especially loved the fact that the university was in the city. In my home in the US, a lot of universities close to me had campuses that were separated from any larger cities or towns. Compared to that, NTU was practically in the heart of the city, and I was excited to be able to explore this new area while studying in a different country.

I'm extremely happy with my choice to study at NTU for a variety of reasons. Everyone that I've met has been extremely accommodating, if I needed help with something there was always someone who could help me. I was nervous at first, thinking it would be hard to make friends. But eventually you find people in your course, or outside, who you fit in with perfectly.

One of the things I've really liked about staying in an accommodation on campus is that I've been able to meet people and make friends I never would have made before. For instance, before coming to NTU I would've considered myself to like staying in and being introverted, but since making new friends, I've enjoyed going out with them.

I've even made some friends through joining societies, which is a great way to participate in something you enjoy while meeting new people.

Another reason why I'm happy to be studying at NTU is because of my classes. I didn't think I would like my classes as much as I do, I think a lot of this has to do with the fact that I'm learning about things I find interesting. In my course, History with International Relations, there's room to focus on what I enjoy when choosing topics for assignments. I have also been able to explore the city, which is something I had wanted to do before I got here.

During my first month in the city, I went to the cinema, went bowling, and looked around in many different vinyl and cd stores. The biggest piece of advice I could give is to not feel nervous. Or at least don't feel nervous about coming to a different country, it is not as hard as it seems, and if there are any issues there is always someone who can help you.

The process of starting at NTU was incredibly easy for me, as I was inducted as a student in no time. I did check the website at least once a day before that to make sure I had everything in check, but as long as you do, there's no need to worry. I had the mindset that adjusting can't be too hard, or if it is, I'll get through it. And I did! Feeling homesick is natural, it happens to everyone. You just have to remember that you're not alone.

Warm regards,

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