Get ready for MSc Construction Project Management

I hope that you are enjoying your summer holiday and are looking forward to starting at UWE Bristol. As your Programme Leader, I warmly welcome you onto our MSc Construction Project Management. The instructions for how to enrol for your course and the details of your induction have been sent to your Welcome website. In the meantime, I have provided some information below that will help you to prepare for starting with us.

Dr Krzysztof Dziekonski

Programme Leader

Before you start

We are looking forward to welcoming you in the week commencing 14 September for Starting Block and the beginning of your programme.

Starting Block will help you settle into university and to help you get to know your teaching team and course mates. We will help you find your way around, get used to our systems, and practise the skills you need to make a strong start. Look out for further emails and explore the Starting Block website with more details.

Your timetable will be available to you via MYUWE (login required) once you have started the enrolment process. Please visit the 'Understanding your teaching timetable' website to find out when your timetable will be published.

Preparing and arrival

You can find everything you need to know about enrolment, Starting Block and the start of teaching, on our Preparing and Arrival webpage. Take a look at our website to familiarise yourself with our facilities and services such as the library, study skills, academic support, health and wellbeing support and much more.

You can also explore our support for careers and enterprise**.** UWE Careers & Enterprise provide a range of workshops, appointments and a huge range of online resources to support students in realising their future ambitions. The Careers Toolkit is our online portal to finding vacancies, booking onto events and accessing a range of resources.

Enrolment

Once you have satisfied all admissions requirements, we'll send you your login details for our IT systems to enable you to activate your university email account. Once your account has been activated, you'll gain access to the MYUWE platform where you can enrol. Note that your login details for MYUWE are different to those used for the UWE

Welcome website. Enrolment for September programmes will only be open from August onwards. You can find guidance and further information on our Enrolment website.

ID card - upload your photo now

We can only print your ID card if you have added your photo to MYUWE. To avoid delays, upload your photo as soon as you receive login details. For help, go to our student card guidance.

Engage with your programme

Read around your subject

A key skill which is required to achieve a high level ofsuccess within your chosen programme is the ability to think critically about key issues and practices. To help you to enhance these skills and be ready to engage with your studies, you should start to read and research around your subject before you arrive.

Many highly successful people work in construction. A great thing about the construction industry is the variety of career paths and progression opportunities. You are encouraged to watch CIOB's webinar.

CIOB members will share their experiences and tips on climbing the construction career ladder.

Although each module will have key reading, we recommend *Construction project management: an integrated approach* by Peter Fewings and Christian Henjewele (2019). The above book is available online at UWE library and I hope you will be inspired by it and understand the scope of your programme.

Connect with others

As a student on an accredited programme by the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB) and Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors you are eligible for student membership, which has a broad range of benefits.

- Please see CIOB website for details
- Please see RICS website for details

Be prepared

Access support

Check the information on our Disability web pages so you know what you need to do. If you need any urgent additional mobility or other support to fully access all activities during your studies, contact me as your programme leader.

Get equipped

During your course there will be the opportunity for a construction site visit. You will be required to wear hard hats, high-visibility-vests, gloves, goggles, and safety shoes when visiting a construction site. With the exception of safety shoes, which you must provide, the university will provide the other personal protective equipment at no cost to you.

The University provides computers on all our campuses for you to use in your studies. These computers will provide access to our core digital education tools and any specialist software required for your course. You may have scheduled sessions in computer labs or other specialist facilities, and you will be able to use open-access PCs for self-study.

Many students will benefit from access to a laptop, particularly if your access to campus is limited. The university licenses many specialist software packages for use on personal laptops for the duration of your course.

See the UWE website for detailed information on choosing your IT equipment including recommended specifications.

These packages will run on Windows devices**.** We recommend that you have access to a device with the following minimum specifications: Enhanced Specification.

International students

The Global Student Support Team offer information and advice to ensure you receive all the support you need to get the best from your time at UWE Bristol. They are here to help you to settle in when you first arrive at UWE Bristol and organise social events to help you to adapt to your new environment.

Who to contact if you have questions

For any questions about the programme, please contact me: **Krzysztof Dziekonski** via email krzysztof.dziekonski@uwe.ac.uk

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Please note: this information has been provided on the assumption that you will meet the conditions of your offer and be eligible to take up your place.

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