Dear Sammy,

I do hope that this email finds you well and that you are finding time to have a break over the summer. I wanted to update you on some information about the start of the new academic year. To help with this we have made a short video that explains some of the things that we will be doing, please do take a few minutes to watch it.

Your on-campus experience this autumn

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Learning and teaching

During the Autumn term we will delivering a flexible blend of on-campus and remote learning that will enable you to engage with your studies, be supported in your learning, and interact regularly with your tutors and fellow students.

Acting on feedback on the remote learning delivered last term, we are enhancing our digital learning technologies. This means that lectures will be available online to complement your on-campus teaching. You will be able to access these online lectures in a flexible way and be able to review the content again as often as you like, when you like. Seminars and tutorials will be a mix of online and on campus face to face as appropriate to your course.

In mid-August we will also be launching My Brighton, our new student portal and app, which will bring together your email, calendar and timetable, study modules and lots more – all in one place. You’ll be able to use My Brighton on a computer for access to useful software and resources and be able to download the mobile app to use on the move.

Life on campus

We’ll be taking a number of steps to manage the numbers of students and staff who need to be on campus at any one time, both by scheduling teaching differently and moving large group teaching sessions online. Teaching and other spaces are being adapted to provide a safe physical environment for small group teaching and one-to-one discussions to take place.

The mix of on-campus and remote learning will differ from course to course, and you’ll receive more details about what this will look like for your own course in early August. There will also be flexibility for those students who prefer or need to study remotely during the Autumn term to do so where the requirements of their course allow.

We also understand from your feedback that it’s important that we provide you with study spaces so we are planning for these to be available to you alongside being able to access libraries, labs, workshops and studio spaces in a managed way that enables appropriate social distancing.

You’ll be able to continue to access a full range of online and other study support services and benefit from the support of the Students’ Union. And there will be the usual range of on-campus catering outlets which will continue to be available, adapted to provide a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone who visits.
Best regards,

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