

BUDDY SCHEME VOLUNTEER

The Buddy Scheme is run by the Students' Union and helps new students settle into life at LJMU by putting them in contact with current students who provide informal support by sharing their experiences and tips. The scheme offers the opportunity to make new friends from all walks of life and be a part of something that celebrates diversity in an informal, fun, and sociable way.

Role

The purpose of the role is to match new students with current students who will support them prior to Freshers Week and beyond.

Responsibilities

- 1) Make regular contact with your Buddies and to be available for them during the academic year.
- 2) Signpost to any services they may require such as relevant student support services, social activities, and local services.
- 3) Offer friendly support and share personal experiences and tips about LJMU and the city of Liverpool to help the new student settle in and make the most of their time at LJMU.
- 4) Help Buddies find activities they may be interested in, such as Union sports and societies.
- 5) To attend events with their buddies to help them integrate into the LJMU community and meet others.
- 6) Respect confidentiality, unless you feel that your buddy is at risk to themselves or others.
- 7) Make regular contact with your supervisor.

Essential Skills & Qualities Required

- Confidence
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Good listening and communication skills
- Non-judgemental attitude
- Time management and decision-making skills.

Please contact John Moores Students' Union for more information at jmsuvolunteering@ljmu.ac.uk.