

# Reflections on starting year 2

## Advice from a current second year



When my tutor told us in first year that second year gets “a lot busier,” I never quite believed him, since I thought first year was already busy. However, after a 3-month summer holiday, I was surprised to find I was more than ready to get back to work, and I adjusted to the heavier workload

instantly. Already having your friends and knowing what is expected of you at UoL helped a lot, and despite the busy timetable and assignments, the semester is very enjoyable. It is tough, but I was certainly proud of how much I had achieved by the end of the first 12-week period. My advice to future second years is make sure you always have some time to yourself, whether it be spending the hour between lectures in Costa, going for a meal, or having a weekend in a different city. There is lots of work to be done- but nobody can work all the time! Where revision is concerned, I would say start as early as you

can, it pays off in the long run to have much of the “groundwork” complete before the Christmas holidays. Overall, just make sure you enjoy the short time you have at university, and take advantage of the many opportunities UoL offers to us as students.

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