

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

Being online at the University of Reading

What we will do for you:

- Provide online tools and the IT infrastructure so you can access them
- Promote the use digital activity among staff in order to better facilitate student learning and communication;
- Continue to use university email as our official channel for communication but we will also use online technologies where appropriate to better spread messages;
- Support your development of technical skills; and,
- Ensure our community is one in which the use of online technologies is safe, secure and appropriate.

Your student portal

The portal is an all-encompassing web platform, where you can access RISIS, Blackboard, your inbox, academic timetable, tailored content and more.

The new portal will:

- Make it easier for you to find interesting content tailored to you, from careers events to alumni stories. So you won't miss out on the exciting stuff your department is doing, or the event you wouldn't have known about otherwise.
- Keep everything you need in one place; no more opening multiple tabs for RISIS, Blackboard, or your inbox.

If you have any general queries about the portal, please contact studentcomms@reading.ac.uk

We expect you to:

Protect yourself ...

- Remember that not everyone is who they say they are. Before you join a group/accept a friend request check to see that they are who they say they are.
- Be aware of which personal details you make public online.
- Remember that your online presence may outlive your University career.
- Use third party applications intelligently (e.g. beware of viruses and phishing attempts).
- Be aware of the possible legal implications of your online activities.

Respect others ...

- Don't post other people's private details online.
- Think before you post or tag: be considerate of the feelings of others.
- Keep in touch with friends, family, halls, tutors, clubs and societies.
- Inform your research/coursework (but check the reliability of sources).
- Build a strong online identity.