

Are you invited?

Don't miss a reunion. If we don't have your details, you won't be in the loop.

Alumni reunion FAQs

How can I contact alumni about a reunion?

Once you've let us know which year/ subject group your reunion will be for, we will contact those who we have details for via email or mail. However if there's anyone in particular you would like us to contact on your behalf, we can do that too. Due to the Data Protection Act 1998, we cannot give you any contact details for other alumni; therefore, we can only send invites on your behalf. We can also publicise your event through various communication channels, such as our monthly newsletter e-futures, on our website and through social media – Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn. If you would like to get in touch with other alumni personally, remember you can also search for them through social media or on Google, particularly for those we don't have details for.

What if I'd like accommodation before and after the reunion?

If you are attending a reunion during University holidays, then it may be possible for you to be accommodated in our halls of residence on the de Havilland Campus. Please contact <u>Conference</u> <u>Hertfordshire</u> for details about availability. There are also many hotels nearby such as Ramada, Mercure Hatfield Oak and Beales Hotel, all of which can be found on the <u>internet</u> if you require further information.

Will I be able to receive any financial support for the reunion?

Due to budgetary restrictions, we cannot guarantee that we'll be able to support your reunion financially. We will discuss this with you and will provide support where we can. However, if there are any additional expenses you have planned, we recommend that you consider charging a small fee to ensure all costs are covered.

How much notice do I need to give you about a reunion if I'd like support organising it?

We recommend you provide at least five months' notice, particularly if you haven't decided on a time and date, who to invite and where you would like to hold the reunion. This will also give us enough time to send out invitations to those alumni that we have contact details for.

Can I hold a reunion on or off campus?

There are a range of venues and locations across campus should you wish to hold a reunion at the University. There also other alternatives should you prefer something different; below is a list of options for you to consider:

<u>The Forum, Ele House and Style Bar</u> – There is potential for certain spaces to be reserved or hired. Please follow visit the Forum's website for further details including photographs of the venue.

<u>Club de Havilland</u> – Again, there may be venue charges for private hire. However, there are two bars and a main function room, ideal for socialising.

<u>Room booking</u> - If you would like to book a room in your School or department, we may be able to help. Please contact us and we can let you know what might be suitable and available.

<u>Off- campus</u>- There are no restrictions if you would like to hold your reunion off- campus. We would recommend that when considering venues you take into account parking, accessibility and potential hire costs.

If we have a reunion on campus, will we be able to look around campus/ at our old classrooms?

If rooms are available we will try our best to arrange a visit to your old classroom. We might also be able to provide you a tour around campus should you wish to have one. Please be sure to notify us in plenty of time, so that we can confirm that a member of the team is available to show you around.

What about support for reunions outside of the UK?

If you'd like to hold a reunion elsewhere, just let us know, we can help you with publicising the event but we may not be able to support it financially. Please also see if we have an international chapter in your country or region, as our international ambassadors or international team may be able to support and attend.

Is food available on campus and can the University cater for dietary requirements?

There are a number of food outlets available on campus. On College Lane this includes Starbucks, the Refectory, the Ele House and Style Bar, and on de Havilland it includes Costa coffee in the Law Court building, the Refectory, Club de Havilland and Starbucks, in the Sports Village Café.

If you want to arrange private drinks and catering for your event this is also possible. Please speak to us for more information, as we will also be able to give an indication of associated charges. FoodHertfordshire are able to cater for dietary requirements – although please note that if you are having catered food this needs to be advised in advance.

Do you have any policies relating to partners/ children attending reunions?

There are no restrictions in place relating to whether children and partners attend reunions – we leave this up to you! If you are holding a reunion in a bar on campus, please note that the usual restrictions apply, and so it might not be suitable for children to attend late afternoon/ evening events.

I've heard about the developments that are taking place on campus. Could the building work affect our reunion?

There may be some restrictions as to where you can visit whilst certain improvements are taking place, although generally this shouldn't affect your reunion. We will try and give you plenty of advance notice if this might be the case.

How can I invite our tutor(s)/ lecturer(s) to attend?

If you would like to invite anyone in particular, please let us know and we can get in touch with them on your behalf.

Can I park on campus?

Depending on the date of your reunion, it may be possible to reserve a parking space for you and / or other attendees; however you will need to check with us beforehand. Alternatively, there is a <u>Park and ride</u> and other visitor parking areas on campus.