



Go Connect – for students

Who are the hosts?

Our hosts are very varied – ranging from community members and University of Edinburgh staff, to alumni and students. All our hosts are interested in meeting international students and helping you to feel at home.

What can I expect from Go Connect?

Go Connect is very flexible – your host might want to meet you for a cup of coffee, or go sightseeing with you. Whatever you and your host decide to do together, you can be certain it will help to enhance your experience of Edinburgh and Scotland, and help you engage with local customs and traditions.

Remember your host is a volunteer, so it's important to be polite. Always say 'thank you' for things they might offer. If you feel unsure about customs in the UK, you might find reading our blog article on [Life in the UK](#) helpful. And remember, if you feel you are unable to continue meeting your host because of your studies or other commitments, please let them know. The ISAS team are always here to support you.

How will I meet my host?

Edinburgh Global hosts informal networking events for this. When an event is coming up, we will email you in advance with detailed information.

If you would rather not take part in an event, we can also arrange meetings informally.

Who can I contact about Go Connect?

If you feel you need our assistance, please contact: isas@ed.ac.uk

What other students have said...

"I didn't really know what to expect when I signed up, but what I got was definitely more than I thought possible. My hosts are fantastic and welcoming people, and in addition to welcoming me, they also invited me and my boyfriend to visit them when he was in Edinburgh. They have taken me to see many things, and I have learned a lot from them!"

"I have thoroughly enjoyed the scheme so far. I have been to my host's house for a couple of times now, and we have had good time together. I would definitely repeat the experience and recommend it to other international students!"
