University of Edinburgh - Dignity and Respect
Our expectations of students.

Vice-Principal Jane Norman:
The University of Edinburgh is not just a great place to work and study – it’s a community and it’s also part of the wider community of Edinburgh itself. Our students are at our community’s heart and do so much to make it special.

Students:
You’ve worked hard to get here…
So be proud to be a part of the community
We are proud of the University, join us to make it even better
You’ll meet people from all over the world –
Get to know as wide a range as possible
Develop your understanding of different cultures
You’ll learn so much
There is only one University of Edinburgh – there’s nowhere else quite like us

Vice-Principal Jane Norman:
There are so many elements to our community from a vet school to an art college and all points in between. But the outside world sees just one University. We should make that image the best it can be. Let’s treat everyone we meet – fellow students and staff and the people of our city – as we would wish to be treated ourselves.

Students:
Universities are about free speech and the opportunity to debate
But those debates don’t have to develop into arguments
Debating and challenging ideas is part of University life
But do it with respect for other people
We’re all different, we’ve all got different views – embrace that
It’s what makes universities so exciting
And while you’re busy respecting others, take time out for you – respect yourself
**Vice-Principal Jane Norman:**

You will learn so much at university – not just in terms of what you study but about yourself and about other people. Of course we want you to have fun too - but please always think about the impact of your actions on others.

**Students:**

We’re adults and we take responsibility for our own behaviour

Think about how you behave and the impact it has on others

Don’t be afraid to challenge behaviour among fellow students if you think it’s inappropriate

Be a good neighbour

Be responsible for yourself

And don’t be afraid to seek help from our community in those moments of self-doubt

We are One Edinburgh…

Understand your rights and responsibilities.

It'll make your time here so much better:

We’re all one – we’re all proud to be here. Together, let’s continue to make it something to be proud of…