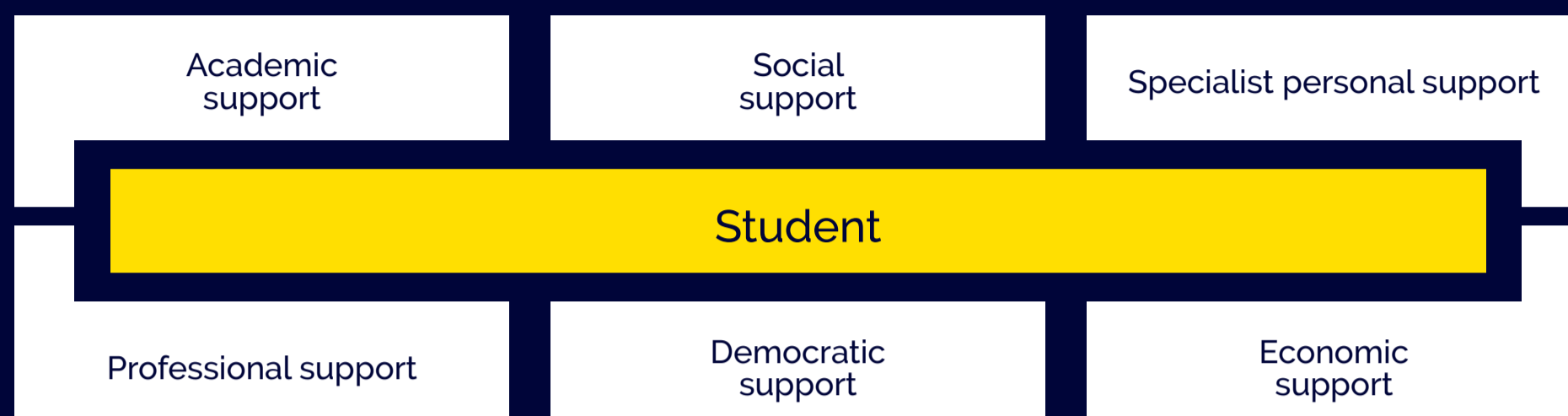


The Team around the ARUL Student



Academic support

Module Leaders and module tutors; Department Academic Support; Personal Development Tutors; Director of Studies Office; Learning Resources: Learning Resource Centre with library, ARU digital library, remote and on-site support for online learning, study areas (including bookable computer stations in quiet study areas), **Kortext** (free core textbook for modules); **VLE module content; Online resources and communications etc; English for Academic Purposes.**

Professional support

Employability Office with graduate careers support for writing CVs/ applications and preparing for interviews; **Employability Scheme** with Employability Skills Passport; **Network of graduate employers and employer engagement; Academics with extensive professional/ industry experience; CareerZone** area of VLE; **iCentre; Technical Support Team** via Zoom live chat and online MS Office and IT training classes; **IT skills support** on VLE and other essential IT services

Specialist Personal support

Wellbeing, Disability & Inclusion team (Student Wellbeing Advisor, Student Wellbeing Officer, Wellbeing Workshops, Counselling service); **Wellbeing students' portal** with online resources and communications; **iCentre; Student Advisers; Students' Union Advice Service.**

Economic support

Finance Department; Transport Bursary; 2 day week timetable¹; Top Achiever bursary; Achievement Scholarships; Kortext; Student Grants, Allowances, Discounts (including £2,000 discount for postgraduate study for our undergraduate alumni) **and Benefits; Student Finance England** (loans for undergraduate and postgraduate study); **Office 365** (free Outlook, Word, Excel and PowerPoint software).

Social support

Students' Union social support, including fund for student extra-curricular projects; **Student peer interaction & support;** including pair/group/team work; **London campus** with buildings in Farringdon and East India Docks, with convenient transport links; **Multi-faith room; Student common spaces; Online chat room.**

Democratic support

Students' Union representation support for a range of matters, including Student Representatives for every course and an ARU London Vice President as elected from and by the student body; **Regular feedback sessions**, campaigns and focus groups; **Student consultations**, student feedback/ evaluations.

1. Not available to LLB students at levels 5 and 6 taking optional modules or those students re-taking modules

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