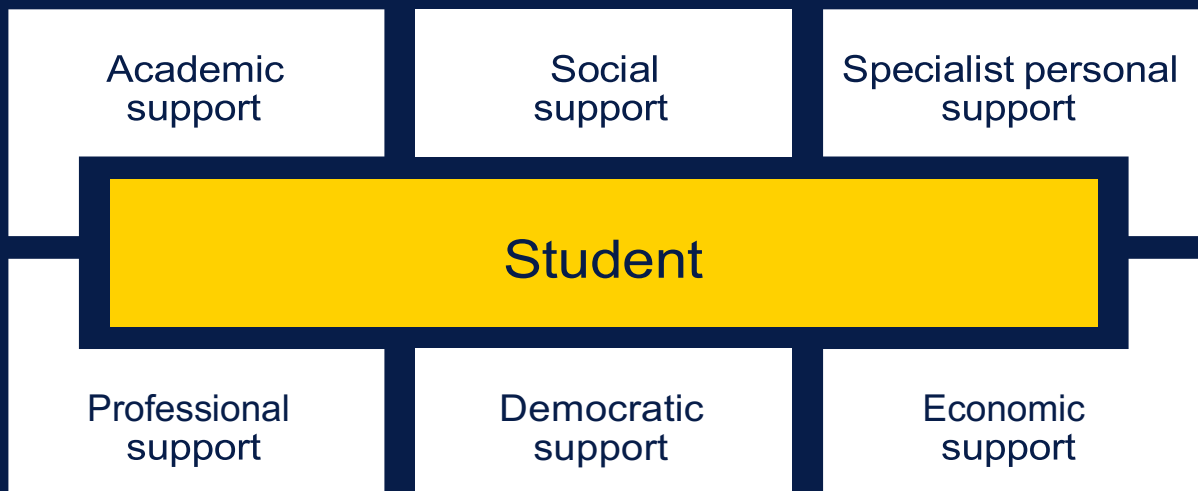


# The Team around the ARUL Student



<p><b>Academic support</b></p>	<p><b>Module Leaders and module tutors; Department Academic Support; Personal Development Tutors; Director of Studies Office; Learning Resources:</b> 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), <b>Kortext</b> (free core textbook for modules); <b>VLE module content; Online resources and communications etc.</b></p>
<p><b>Professional support</b></p>	<p><b>Employability Office</b> with graduate careers support for writing CVs/ applications and preparing for interviews; <b>Employability Scheme</b> with Employability Skills Passport; <b>Network of graduate employers and employer engagement; Academics with extensive professional/ industry experience; CareerZone</b> area of VLE; <b>iCentre; Technical Support Team</b> via Zoom live chat and online MS Office and IT training classes; <b>IT skills support</b> on VLE and other essential IT services.</p>
<p><b>Specialist Personal support</b></p>	<p><b>Wellbeing, Disability &amp; Inclusion Team</b> (Student Wellbeing Advisor, Student Wellbeing Officer, Wellbeing Workshops, Counselling service); <b>Wellbeing students' portal</b> with online resources and communications; <b>iCentre; Director of Studies Office; Academic Engagement Team; Students' Union Advice Service.</b></p>
<p><b>Economic support</b></p>	<p><b>Finance Department; Transport Bursary; 2 day week timetable<sup>1</sup>; Top Achiever bursary; Achievement Scholarships; Kortext; Student Grants, Allowances, Discounts</b> (including £2,000 discount for postgraduate study for our undergraduate alumni) <b>and Benefits; Student Finance England</b> (loans for undergraduate and postgraduate study); <b>Office 365</b> (free Outlook, Word, Excel and PowerPoint software).</p>
<p><b>Social support</b></p>	<p><b>Students' Union social support</b>, including fund for student extra-curricular projects; <b>Student peer interaction &amp; support</b>; including pair/group/team work; <b>London campus</b> with buildings in the East India Docks and convenient transport links; <b>Multi-faith room; Student common spaces; Online chat room.</b></p>
<p><b>Democratic support</b></p>	<p><b>Students' Union representation support</b> 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; <b>regular feedback sessions, campaigns and focus groups. Student consultations, student feedback/ evaluations.</b></p>

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

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