Planning for December

Is your student stressed about exams? Reminding them to stay positive and giving them words of encouragement can really help as the semester comes to a close. Exams run from December 5 – 20, and your student’s exam schedule is posted in their SOLUS account.

There are many resources at Queen’s to help students manage stress and organize their time – for example, Student Academic Success Services offers a number of workshops, time management tools and one-on-one appointments. Residence counsellors are available for students who feel overwhelmed and need someone to talk to.

There are also several online resources to help your student prepare:

- **Exambank** is a database of past exam questions from courses offered at Queen’s.
- **Exam FAQs** provide details about taking exams, schedules and what students can and cannot take to the exam hall.
- **Student Health 101** is an interactive online magazine with tips for staying healthy and managing stress.
Quiet Hours

Quiet Hours (22 hours of quiet each day) began on November 25th and continue daily from 9 pm to 7 pm until the end of exams to provide a quiet study environment. Relaxed hours are from 7 – 9pm each day, however, students are expected to be courteous to others during these hours as well.

Hospitality Services will also periodically deliver exam treats to each residence building during the exam period to provide a quick nutrition break.

Exam Care Packages

QGifts has a number of care packages available for your students. You can also order Flex Dollars (which can be used in our retail food outlets) in $25, $50 or $100 denominations – order by December 13th and your gift will be mailed to you to give in person.

Planning for your student?

In order to maintain a quiet study environment, we require all students to vacate their residence within 24 hours after their last exam. Please keep this in mind when making travel arrangements. Students who need to stay in residence more than 24 hours after their last exam or past December 21st must request approval in advance via the Holiday Stayover Form.

Students who plan to stay in residence over the holidays or return early must register with us using the Holiday Stayover Form. Please note that the campus is completely closed with no services as of 4:30 p.m. on December 21st and will re-open on Wednesday January 2nd, 2018. Dining halls will open on January 7th, 2018.

Campus Security is available to respond to emergencies during the holiday stayover period and Residence Life will also be providing an on-call Don for students, as well as information about community services and events occurring over the holidays.

Upper-Year and housing info

Is your student thinking about living in Residence next year? A limited number of rooms are available for upper-year students in Smith House and Jean Royce Hall for the 2019/20 academic year. Upper-year accommodations feature an eight-month contract and include a meal plan. Visit our website for applications and details.
Our best wishes for a joyous and peaceful holiday season!

Important Dates:

**December 5-21:** Fall Term final examination period  
**December 31:** Fall Term ends  
**January 5:** Pay Winter Term fees to reach before January 10th deadline  
**January 7:** Winter Term classes begin  
**January 10:** Winter Term Tuition fees due  
**January 11:** Last date to apply for International Exchange for 2019-2020  
**January 18:** Last date to add Winter Term classes  
**January 18:** Last date to drop Winter Term classes without financial penalty

For details on other events visit: [Queen’s Event Calendar](#)  
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- Student Affairs 613-533-6944 parents@queensu.ca  
- Hospitality Services (meal plans) 613-533-2953, dining@queensu.ca  
- Not sure who to ask? [Contact Campus Connection](#)