Facebook house rules

Welcome to the Birkbeck, University of London Facebook page. This page is managed by the web and social media assistant of the External Relations Department. This means we won’t be able to answer any questions on entry requirements, admissions procedures and other topics like that – however, we are likely to know who will be able to help you, so we will forward requests for any kind of information that we don’t have.

We encourage you to get involved and comment on our posts, courses and events. Wherever possible we will try to respond and use your feedback to make things better. While we don’t want to stifle any voices, we have six straightforward rules for making this page feel welcoming and safe for everyone who visits.

1. Don’t post commercial items or adverts: Please don’t post commercial messages or solicitations on our Facebook page. There are lots of other avenues for free classifieds on the web, such as craigslist, Gumtree and Loot. Posts containing promotional messages and links will be removed.

2. Don’t post others’ copyrighted information: Information copyrighted by someone other than yourself shouldn’t be posted without the consent of the owner. If such an event occurs, the individual posting the information shall be held responsible.

3. Don’t make personal attacks: While we invite debate on our Facebook page and are open to criticism, any personal attacks against a member of staff or another community member will be removed.

4. Keep your posts cleanish: Any inappropriately explicit, obscene or vulgar language, graphics or behaviour will be removed. If that’s your cup of tea, there are other places on the net that will welcome you.

5. Don’t upload dangerous files: Don’t upload or attach files that contain viruses, corrupted files or any other similar software or programs that may damage the operation of another’s computer.

6. Think before you post any personal information: On the whole it’s a good idea to refrain from putting personal details such as your phone number and address online. Facebook provides a direct messaging service, so if people see your post and want to get in touch, they can always approach you that way.