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Caroline studied Acting & Performance at college before coming to university to do Acting for Stage & Screen

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Other differences between studying at college and studying at university?

From a written point of view you're obviously heading towards a dissertation type piece of writing and the end so the writing you do in the lead up to that are a massive step up from college.

Plagiarism

Plagiarism is when you basically copy somebody else's work.

Did you attend any Open Days at university?

I was quite a last minute applicant. I was on the very last day for auditions for the course.

Extra support available on the step up from college to university?

I did have a referencing workshop actually when we went to start our bibliography which was hugely helpful as I had no idea however at all how to reference anything.

Deadlines?

The deadlines were really strict unless for some reason there was an impact on the class as a whole.

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I t was pretty much once you were told what was needed of you that's was what was expected to happen. Not as spoon fed maybe as college with reminders and things.

Managing your time

We were told at the start of our course that obviously it being a full time course you are expected to be working hours that you would be in a full time job

Feedback

You would get a session with the lecturer where you would, just a one to one, where they would give you the feedback about what you'd done and talk about strategies for development which is basically how can take what you have learned forward and improve on it for next time

Is there anything you wish you had taken advantage of earlier?

From a personal point of view what I wish I'd done while I was here was to build more links with the students in other subjects. That's what I wish I'd done because Napier is very well known for the Screen Academy

Should you worry about asking questions?

Sometimes I would just come out randomly and say, I wondered this, and then other people would go I wondered that too, I thought it was just me. Although it's going out on a limb because they might turn round and look at you kind of funnily because you are the only person that thinks it but they might all, you know, make you feel better, because they were all thinking it and then you can go and ask the question if everybody wants to know the answer.

What advice would you give to anyone coming from college to university?

I'd say don't be embarrassed to ask for help if you need it. There is loads of support available although you do need to go and find it, it won't find you.

Overall what has your experience of university been?

I'm going to uni and I maybe wasn't really as I thought but you push through those days and then

you'll have another day where you think this is the best thing that I've ever done. I'm so glad that I came.

Through being at university Caroline had an audition with Dundee Rep Theatre

I came out of my graduation ceremony and saw that I had a voice mail and before I even looked at it I knew what it was and I couldn't decide whether I wanted to phone and risk something ruining my day or whether just to bite the bullet and phone them , so phoned them back while my parents were stood next to me which was probably a horrendous idea , and they offered me the job, and it was just totally overwhelming to walk right out of graduation literally into a job was incredible and will probably be the best day of my life for as long as I live.