Moving to Milton Keynes
Things to Keep in Mind

- If you can’t get to Milton Keynes before starting your studies, it might be best to plan to stay in temporary accommodation when you first arrive and then choose your own permanent accommodation after having settled. The best sources of information about accommodation in Milton Keynes are:

  http://www.rightmove.co.uk  http://www.spare-room.co.uk

  http://uk.easyroommate.com  http://www.mkweb.co.uk/

  If you have any trouble finding temporary accommodation, or would like any advice about where you can stay, please don’t hesitate to contact us.

- Make sure that before you start your accommodation negotiations you have the necessary paperwork to satisfy landlord or agency requirements. This may include references of character; previous rental behaviour; proof of studentship income and/or bank references and/or details of other supplementary income.

- Make sure that when you begin negotiations over accommodation with an agent that you provide the research Degrees Office with your permission for her to pass on details of your student status to that agent.

- If you are moving your family to Milton Keynes with you, you probably know there are many other issues to consider. If you have any more specific questions please contact the accommodation advisors or the research school. Contact the Milton Keynes Council for advice on school admissions if you are transferring your children into local schools. The website for admission to schools in Milton Keynes is: http://schoolsfinder.direct.gov.uk/schoolsfinder/

  The advice telephone numbers are:
  Primary Schools : 01908 253450
  Secondary Schools : 01908 253489

  The Childcare Information Service website is:
  www.childcarelink.gov.uk/miltonkeynes

  Email: childcare@milton-keynes.gov.uk
  Telephone: 0800 035 0335.

- Make sure you get a written agreement of rental terms from your landlord including details of non-rental charges you may be liable for before you move in.

- Make sure to complete a full inventory check of your property (with the landlord) and a written record of any utility meter readings at the time that you move in and ensure that it is signed as a true record by both you and the landlord. It is often useful to take photos too.

- Ask the Research Degrees Office for a council tax exemption certificate when you start your studies, so you can register with MK Council Tax Department and confirm your exemption status as a full-time student.