

# The Exeter Ethos

## College of Humanities

The students and staff of the College of Humanities constitute an academic community united by a commitment to learning. The College aspires to create an environment in which research and education are valued equally, as twinned aspects of the learning process, and in which all members of the community embrace our core values. We articulate those values in three words. The interpretations of each word are suggestive rather than exhaustive, intended to be used as a basis for discussion. We acknowledge that any failure to uphold these values, however minor, undermines our community.

### Integrity

- Education requires commitments on the part of all those involved. We expect members of the College to prepare, attend and participate in all scheduled learning events.
- Both our own community and the wider global academic community depend upon writers acknowledging their debts to the work of others. We accept that observing conventions of referencing is a fundamental requirement of academic integrity.

### Civility

- Our community is founded on mutual respect, and acceptance of difference.
- Our community depends upon a shared concern for others. We expect members of the College to respect the requirements of others, and to consider those who may be vulnerable or pressured, raising concerns with those in appropriate positions of responsibility.
- In a community of the size of the College of Humanities, a shared commitment to communication is critical. We expect high standards from all, particularly relating to changes of schedules and absences from classes.

### Trust

- Relationships between individuals within the College are based on mutual respect and an acceptance of appropriate levels of confidentiality.
- The College is committed to supporting the system of personal tutoring, and to addressing any problems swiftly and sensitively.
- Given our common commitment to integrity, we trust the honesty of others until there are compelling reasons not to do so. The College does not routinely scan work for plagiarism, nor challenge the word of staff or students on reasons for occasional absences.