FORGET YOUR WINTER COAT? OR YOUR FAVOURITE BINKIE? REPLACING LOST IPHONE/LAPTOP? RECEIVING ANY <u>PERSONAL ITEMS</u> FROM HOME? <u>READ THIS NOW!</u>

ANY ITEMS BEING IMPORTED TO THE UK ARE SUBJECT TO CUSTOMS DUTY AND IMPORT VAT CHARGES

- Goods imported from non-EU countries, customs charges apply these may include import duty, excise duty and import VAT.
- Goods with a value exceeding £15, for commercial items including internet/mail order purchases, or £36 in the case of gifts between private individuals, are generally subject to customs charges. Normally charges are calculated upon the declared value (plus shipping costs for commercial items). Further general information can be obtained by contacting HMRC on 0845 010 9000 or at www.hmrc.gov.uk.

HOWEVER

- Personal items that are for "the use of a student to wear, furnish their room or use for the purpose of studies" should not be subject to any charges.
- > Any packages containing personal items should be clearly marked as "NOTICE 200 Temporary Admission student personal effects".
- It is STRONGLY advised that students use a reputable shipping company rather than USPS they will often contact a student before any charges are applied if they need further information in order to admit the package
- IN ORDER TO FULLY PROTECT ITEMS FROM BEING CHARGED, a completed <u>C3 Form</u> should be included in the envelope outside of the package. This is especially important for any items that are being sent via USPS.