

Conversation Guide

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What is a Peer Chat?

A Peer Chat is a casual, student-led conversation with a Peer Supporter who can help you **navigate uni life, build connections, and find opportunities to get involved at RMIT.** It's a great way to ask questions, get advice, and feel more connected to RMIT.

Topics you can Peer Chat about with a Peer Supporter:



Social Connection & Getting Involved

- Making new friends and meeting people
- Finding clubs, events, and social activities
- Building confidence in social settings



Opportunities & Personal Development

- Volunteering, mentoring, and leadership roles
- Joining student-led initiatives and projects
- Exploring career-building activities on campus



Navigating University Life

- Adjusting to student life and finding your way around
- Balancing study, work, and social life
- Understanding student services and support options



Wellbeing & Uni-Life Balance

- Managing uni-related stress and study motivation
- Settling in
- Finding free food, wellbeing resources, and student discounts
- Talking about shared student experiences in a supportive space
- Where and how to access professional support

Topics Better Suited for Professional Support

Program Facilitators are here to chat and connect you with resources, but some topics are best handled by professional services:



Mental Health & Emotional Wellbeing

- Anxiety, depression, or ongoing emotional distress
- Trauma, grief, or personal crises
- Suicidal thoughts or self-harm



Personal & Financial Issues

- Housing or financial difficulties
- Family or relationship issues affecting your wellbeing
- Experiences of discrimination, bullying, or harassment



Academic & Legal Concerns

- Special consideration, academic misconduct, or appeals
- Disability or accessibility support (though we can guide you to the right service)
- Work rights, tenancy issues, or legal concerns



What to Expect in a Peer Chat



Casual, student-led conversation in a safe and welcoming space



Tips and advice from students who've been in your shoes



Connections to RMIT services, events, and opportunities

Need Professional Support?

If you're facing challenges beyond what we can help with, we can connect you with **RMIT Counselling, Student Services, or Wellbeing Teams.**