

## Community, Belonging and Wellbeing

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Learning is a social activity and the importance of community and a feeling of connectedness is becoming increasingly important in higher education. This plays out in a variety of ways: the need be connected to others, to be accepted and to be supported by others in the community. All three of these are interconnected and contribute to a positive effect on wellbeing. The establishment of resilient communities is especially important during the current uncertainties we face, as learning moves more online and students, and staff, face additional barriers to feeling connected.

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