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Changing modules, celebrating student talent and more

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Make the most of an October opportunity

One of the best parts of being a student is all of the opportunities you're able to get involved in alongside your studies.

October's notoriously busy with our volunteering and employers fairs, Big Green Week, elections and more - so you'll be spoilt for choice! Get stuck in and make the most of your student experience.

Changing modules

You can request to change optional modules up until **Sunday 8 October**. You can't change compulsory modules.

If you need advice on your module choices, book an appointment with a <u>Student</u> <u>Support Adviser</u>.

Changing course

If you are thinking about transferring, please make an appointment with a <u>Student Support Adviser</u> to discuss your options.

The deadline for transfer requests for courses that started on Monday 25 September is **Sunday 8 October**.

Are you fully registered for the new academic year?

Our Registration Hub (2B034B, Frenchay Campus) is open every day this week.

They can help if you're struggling with your online registration on myUWE, if you need to collect your student card or you need to arrange to pay your fees.

The Registration Hub will close at 16:00 on Friday 6 October, so please try and visit this week if you need to.



Get volunteering!

Volunteering Fair this Wednesday

Our <u>Volunteering Fair</u> is on Wednesday 4 October, 11:00 - 15:00 at the Exhibition and Conference Centre, Frenchay Campus.

Meet over 80 organisations from a variety of sectors offering short-term and long-term opportunities in Bristol and abroad. Get ready by downloading the UWE Bristol Career Fair Plus app from <u>iTunes</u> or <u>Google Play</u>.

Apply for a volunteering project

Want to volunteer in a local school? Lead workshops at the new Aerospace Museum? Or use your creative skills to support a small organisation?

Sign up for one of our <u>volunteering projects!</u>
Apply by Friday 6 October for schools volunteering or Sunday 8 October for our Aerospace and Creative programmes.

Settling into university life

Whether you're brand new to university or you've been with us for a few years, we hope you're excited for all the opportunities that lie ahead this year. But if you're finding it all a bit overwhelming, don't panic – lots of students feel the same during the first term, even if they're not showing it.

Our Wellbeing team have put together some tips to help you settle in.

Top tips for settling in

Next week is Big Green Week!

We can all do our bit to be a bit more green - and you can start by getting involved in Big Green Week!

We're running loads of different events including autumn walks, bike check-ups, talks, films, socials and more. There's something for everyone - whether you're passionate about protecting our environment or you just want to make a small change.

See what you can get involved with

Could you win a Celebrating UWE Bristol Talent Award?

Eight awards are up for grabs at our annual Celebrating UWE Bristol Talent Awards – and now's your chance to nominate yourself for one of them!

So if you've made a difference through volunteering, are passionate about sustainability, made the most of a global opportunity or are a successful entrepreneur, make sure you shout about your achievements.

See what awards you could win

Want to be your own boss?

Learn new business skills

Our <u>Be Your Own Boss workshops</u> will help you develop your commercial awareness, networking, leadership and creative skills. Every Tuesday this term, starting tomorrow!

Run your own shop on Frenchay Campus

Trial your ideas by running your very own shop on Frenchay Campus for six weeks. Apply by Monday 9 October.

Network at the Engine Shed

Meet professionals, students and entrepreneurs from around Bristol at our <u>start-up drinks networking event</u> on Tuesday 17 October.

Entrepreneur Support Programme

We'll support you to prove your business concepts with incubation space on campus. <u>Apply by Friday 20 October</u>.

Set yourself a challenge this Stoptober

Give up smoking for 28 days and you're five times more likely to quit for good. That means more money and better health – what's not to like?

It's all part of Stoptober, the national 28 day stop smoking challenge.

Taking part also means you won't have to worry about sticking to our <u>Smokefree Policy</u>, which helps create a healthier campus for everyone by prohibiting smoking within 10 metres of a building.

Get all the support you need this Stoptober

Meet the Employers Fair - Wednesday 18 October

Our <u>Meet the Employers Fair</u> is the largest careers fair in the South West – and it's exclusive to UWE Bristol students.

Why attend?

You'll meet 170 employers offering graduate jobs, placements, internships, international opportunities and work experience. It's a great way to get a taste of what you might like to do in the future.

Arrange early access

For students who are disabled and/or feel that a busy fair could be a barrier to them attending, we will open the fair early at 10:30. Please book your early entrance pass by Monday 16 October.

Do your research

A full list of employers (which you can filter by sector or course area) is available on the app. Use it to consider who you'd like to talk to.

Book your place at a talk

We're running talks throughout the day so that you can find out more about opportunities that interest you. <u>Book your place at a talk now.</u>

Download the app

Download the UWE Bristol Career Fair Plus app from <u>iTunes</u> or <u>Google Play</u> for fast-track entrance, a full list of employers, fair map and tips to get the most out of the day.

Get active with our Centre for Sport

You'll find loads to keep you active at our Centre for Sport – whether you're in the gym daily, want to learn a new sport, or just fancy a game with your friends.

With a range of membership options you'll find one to suit your lifestyle.

Get involved with our Centre for Sport

Upcoming talks

<u>Justice: our hope in a divided world</u> - Tuesday 10 October, Bristol Cathedral. Professor Mona Siddiqui (Professor of Islamic and Interreligious Studies at Edinburgh University) will explore the theme of social justice as part of Bristol's Journey to Justice programme.

<u>Shaping a vibrant economy where no-one is left behind – how we create a new normal</u> - Wednesday 11 October, Frenchay Campus.

Sacha Romanovitch (CEO of Grant Thornton) will discuss the challenges and opportunities facing our economy and leadership.

<u>Can we break the cycle of crime and punishment?</u> - Monday 16 October, Frenchay Campus. Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner Sue Mountstevens and Chief Constable Andy Marsh will discuss the issue of repeat offenders and the future of crime research.

Help make Bristol a great place to live

We can all do our bit - our simple steps for community living are a good place to start. You can find information about all this and more on lovewhereyoulivebristol.co.uk.

Get to know your neighbours

Having a good relationship with them will make the next year much more enjoyable. And it won't be awkward when you have to go and collect a missed delivery!

Be part of your community

Help make your area a great place to live by joining in with community events or volunteering. Even just picking up litter that you see on your walk home goes a long way.

Know your rights and responsibilities

As a tenant you have a number of rights and responsibilities – helpful to know if there are any issues with your accommodation. The Students' Union Advice Centre can help if you need support.

Stay safe

Remember the basics – look after each other, test your fire alarms and keep the doors locked. 1 in 5 burglars walk straight through an open door.

Keep the noise down

Everyone's entitled to a good night's sleep so think of your neighbours when you're coming home from a night out or playing loud music. Not everyone's a student!

Know your bins!

You'll have lots of different containers for your rubbish and recycling. Make sure you put them out at the right time, bring them in so they're not blocking the pavement and recycle as much as you can.

Student printing upgrade

Thanks for your patience whilst we updated the <u>Pharos student printing system</u> this weekend. You're now able to use Pharos again and print as usual.

There are a few final printers that need configuration - they should be up and running soon. If you're having any trouble printing please call the IT Helpdesk on **0117 32 83612**.



News What's on

STAND IN THE BY-ELECTIONS



Nominations are now open for our By-elections! We're looking for passionate leaders ready to represent over 28,000 UWE Bristol students.

You have the chance to work alongside myself (your SU President) and the Vice Presidents to influence life at the university and campaign for the issues that matter.

We have a range of positions which need to be filled, from Community and Welfare Officer to NUS Conference Delegates. Nominations close on Wednesday 18 October so speak up and get involved now.

See what roles are available





VARSITY COLOUR RUN

This week we're launching our <u>Varsity</u>
<u>Series 2017-18</u> with the infamous Varsity
Colour Run!

The event, which is taking place on Frenchay Campus on Wednesday 4 October, is all about getting out there and having fun - no need to worry about how far you can run.

The colour run was so popular last year that we'll be running it twice this year - so if you can't make it on Wednesday, look out for the second one next spring!

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

Tuesday 10 October is World Mental Health Day, where the globe comes together to talk about mental health, break down stigma, and campaign for better support and care.

We'll be running lots of events - from making 'Treat Yo' Self' care packs to selling green ribbons to raise money for Mind Bristol. We'll also be encouraging you to complete our student wellbeing survey.

Keep an eye on our webpage over the next

Sign up for the colour run

week for updates on all the activities happening for the day.

Keep checking our webpage

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Dynamic content

Accounting, Economics and Finance students

Accounting, Economics and Finance speed networking event

Join us on Wednesday 11 October for a speed networking event with our alumni.

You'll get to hear about their experiences since leaving UWE Bristol and practice your networking skills.

Sign up now

City Campus Level 2

Don't miss your chance to study abroad

Studying abroad is one of the most exciting and worthwhile opportunities available to you as a student - and the good news is there's still time to apply to study in Europe next semester.

Take a look at our Erasmus+ opportunities and apply by 12:00 noon on **Friday 13 October**.

See what opportunities are available

International and EU students

Day trip to London



We've partnered up with Bristol International Student Centre (BISC) to organise a series of events and trips around the UK.

First up we're heading into the heart of our capital city – London. In the morning there'll be a guided sightseeing coach tour and in the afternoon you'll have time to explore the city.

The trip is on Saturday 21 October and costs £28 – includes coach fare and sightseeing tour.

Book your place now

International students

Are you fully registered for the new academic year?

Our Registration Hub (2B034B, Frenchay Campus) is open every day this week.

They can help if you're struggling with your online registration on myUWE, if you need to collect your student card or if you need to complete your passport, visa and certificate checks (international students only).

The Registration Hub will close at 16:00 on Friday 6 October, so please try and visit this week if you need to.

Home students

The Link: annual BME professional networking event

In celebration of Black History Month we're hosting our second networking event for British Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BME) students - The Link.

The Link is a chance for you to network with BME professionals and entrepreneurs over dinner and refreshments and hear a keynote speech from Tunde Okewale MBE. The event takes place from 17:00 on Wednesday 18 October.

Before the networking event we are also running a range of <u>workshops</u> led by BME professionals and entrepreneurs.

Register to attend the evening networking event

City Campus

Bower Ashton B block lift unavailable Saturday 7 October

The lift in B block will be unavailable on Saturday 7 October due to maintenance work. If you need lift access to the Library, please head to the Porters' Lodge (opposite the main staircase to the Library) and they will help.