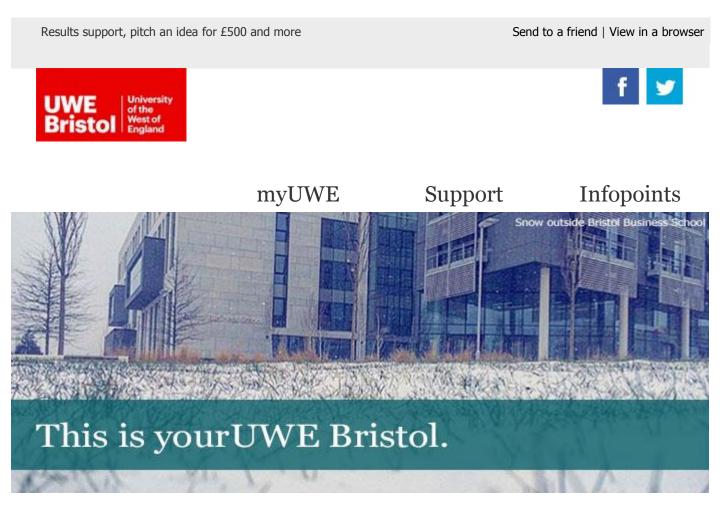
**Please note:** This is a copy of the newsletter sent to students. The formatting is a little different to the email version, due to the content being converted into a PDF. Dynamic content (content specific to Faculty/campus/level etc.) features at the end of this document but for students it's integrated into the body of the newsletter.



It's not often we have to close campus, but last week's snow was the most we've seen in years! Thanks for bearing with us when the forecast kept changing - we hope you found time to enjoy your snow day.

Back to reality now, and with exams starting next month we're looking at how to make the most of March. You could apply to become a PAL Leader, spend some time brushing up on your study skills or just go and enjoy this year's musical, Zorro!

## We hope you're happy with your results

If you're one of the many students who received results last week, we hope you're happy with them. If you have any questions or you'd like some advice, contact our <u>Information Point</u> team on **0117 32 85678** - they'd be happy to help.

If your results weren't what you'd hoped for and you're finding things difficult, remember we

have a <u>variety of wellbeing services</u> to support you - from face-to-face daily drop-ins to anonymous online chats.

## Problem with an assessment?

Take a look at the <u>support processes</u> that could help if you're unable to meet a deadline or you have a problem with an assessment.

We recommend you contact our <u>Information Point team</u> for advice before applying - the earlier we know about a problem the sooner we can help.

## Are your exam adjustments in place?

If you're entitled to exam adjustments, check the <u>myUWE</u> Personal Details tab to confirm they're in place.

If they aren't showing or you have a question, <u>contact the Disability</u> <u>Service</u> by **Friday 6 April** to arrange these for your April/May exams.

## Your Academic Survival Guide

Our <u>Academic Survival Guide</u> answers some of the most frequently asked questions about the academic regulations and procedures.

It covers credits, deadlines, assessments, modules and other key aspects of your course.



## Become a PAL Leader

As a PAL Leader, you'll provide academic, technical or pastoral support to other students.

We'll provide all the training and you'll get paid in return for your work. You'll gain valuable experience for your CV and have the opportunity to take part in events and conferences - perfect for practising those networking skills.

Find out more about the roles and apply now

## Support your fellow students at the Student Conference

This year's <u>student conference</u> is coming up on Monday 26 March, celebrating work from undergraduate and postgraduate taught students from all years and all disciplines.

120 students will be presenting their work - so come along and show your support! You can attend the whole event or choose the sections that interest you. Light refreshments and lunch will be available.

Register by Monday 19 March

## Struggling with a study skill?

#### **Online tutorials and resources**

From making better notes to referencing correctly, you have access to a huge range of <u>online tutorials and resources</u> that can help you succeed with your studies.

**Software, design and business skills** <u>Lynda.com</u> has thousands of free training videos to help you improve your business, marketing, software and design skills.

#### **Study skills workshops**

Available on all campuses, our Library team run <u>workshops</u> on topics such as how to write critically, how to plan and structure your writing and how to avoid plagiarism.

#### Support for your subject

Many faculties offer additional one-to-one support sessions tailored to your subject - find out <u>what's available from your faculty</u>.

#### Specialist study skills support

If you have a Specific Learning Difficulty such as dyslexia, you may be entitled to <u>specialist one-</u> to-one study skills <u>support</u> funded by Disabled Students' Allowances.

## No trains to, through or from Temple Meads this Easter

From Friday 30 March to Tuesday 3 April there will be no trains running to, through or from Bristol Temple Meads. This is due to Network Rail completing a major signalling upgrade.

20 stations around Bristol will be affected. Buses will replace trains, but some journeys will take longer than usual.

Remember - UWE Bristol will be closed for Easter from Friday 30 March and will re-open on Wednesday 4 April, when the trains should be back to normal.

Find out about alternative travel arrangements

## Win up to £500 at our Pitch-a-thon

Do you have an idea for a business, social enterprise or any other idea that solves a problem or enhances an experience?

Submit a 60 second video pitch for the chance to pitch to a live audience and a panel of

experts on Wednesday 18 April. The winner gets  $\pm$ 500, with  $\pm$ 200 for second place and  $\pm$ 150 for third place.

Submit your pitch by Monday 9 April

## Next week is Africa Week!

Africa Week, our annual celebration of African culture, runs from 12 - 16 March.

We'll have a sports day, an art exhibition and film, an educational forum where we'll discuss 'Moving back to Africa – finding success as a returnee' and a discussion on Brexit, the NHS and the contribution of African health professionals.

The week ends in style with our celebration and showcase night – featuring dance, fashion, food, music and awards. Get your <u>nominations</u> for the awards in quick – the deadline is this Friday 9 March.

Find out more about Africa Week

## Recognising the signs and symptoms of meningitis

Take some time to remind yourself of the <u>signs and symptoms of meningitis</u>, not only for yourself but for your friends and housemates. The <u>MenACWY vaccination</u>, which protects you against four different causes, is available - ask your GP.



THE MUSICAL

## **ZORRO** The Musical

In this year's musical our talented cast of students take on everything from sword fighting to flamenco dance, telling the swashbuckling tale of Zorro.

It's on from Wednesday 7 March - Saturday 10 March at the Redgrave Theatre in Clifton. Tickets are £9 for concessions, with a two for one offer on Wednesday. Get a group of friends together and come along!

## Upcoming talks

#### The power of purpose-driven brands in a world of infinite choice

In a digital world, consumers decide which brands they want to engage with, when and how. Susanna Dinnage, Global President of Animal Planet, joins us this Wednesday, 7 March to discuss the importance of brand purpose and how Discovery is adapting its business to thrive.

Book your place now

#### A shirty tale - from Bristol to London in 31 years

Nick Wheeler, Founder and Chairman of Charles Tyrwhitt, started his company from his room in Clifton as a 21 year-old geography undergraduate. He shares his story with us on **Wednesday 21 March** - a must for up-and-coming entrepreneurs.

Book your place now





News What's on

## **VOTING IS NOW OPEN**



It's up to you to decide who takes the lead of The Students' Union. You get one vote, so make it count!

You can view the candidates and their manifestos online now - who will get your vote?

You can vote online now or at one of the voting stations around campus tomorrow (Tuesday 6 March). Voting closes at 22:00 on Thursday 8 March so make sure you get involved.

Vote now





ERIN MILLS VP Sports and Health



## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S WEEK

We'll be celebrating International Women's Week with a programme of cross-campus events, including a Jamnesty open mic night hosted by the Amnesty International Society. It'll be a great evening of music, poetry and comedy by an all-female line up.

To mark International Women's Day on Thursday 8 March, there are a series of #PressforProgress workshops throughout

## GET ACTIVE WITH VARSITY

This year's Varsity Series is well underway and Team UWE have been celebrating, with American Football and Netball both taking the lead against the University of Bristol.

There's plenty for you to get involved in, from the Big Colour Run (rescheduled for Sunday 22 April) to Total Varsity Wipeout, a giant inflatable sports festival on Wednesday 25 April. And don't miss the day which are free to attend, and many more events across campuses.

the Basketball on Sunday 18 March - last year's final was the event of the Series!

Check out what's on

#### Get involved

Quick links

- » myUWE
- » Academic advice
- » Study support
- » Term dates

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**Dynamic content:** 

Level 2:

### Going on placement next year?

If you're planning to go on placement next year, you need to attend one of our compulsory placement briefings (even if you haven't found your placement yet).

We'll cover everything you need to know and do before you start.

Book your place at your briefing now

#### Level 3:





The National Student Survey is your opportunity to tell us about your course and share your experiences at UWE Bristol.

Complete the National Student Survey

**City Campus:** 



# What would you do with this space?

Willmott Dixon, the company who built the new media building and are currently constructing the second new building at Bower Ashton, have agreed to donate time and resources to develop the area outside the Students' Union bar.

We want you to help design and plan this space to make it a creative and inspiring place.

Check the <u>full project brief</u> (PDF) and email <u>Create.Make@uwe.ac.uk</u> with your expression of interest by **Friday 23 March**.

## International student events

#### **Oxford day trip**

Discover the world-famous University city of Oxford with a guided walking tour and a visit to an Oxford college.

Saturday 10 March. Book your place.

#### **Bristol street art experience**

See some of Bristol's famous street art on a city centre tour, followed by the opportunity to create your own street art to take home.

Friday 23 March from 14:30. Book your place.

#### HAS:

## If personal circumstances affected your assessments (March exam boards)

If you did not submit an assessment or attend an exam due to difficult personal circumstances, you may be able to use the <u>missed assessment process</u>.

If you submitted an assessment or attended an exam but feel you shouldn't have done so, you may be able to use the <u>removal of marks process</u>.

Talk to our <u>Information Point</u> team for advice before submitting an application. The deadline for applications for Health and Applied Sciences assessments going to March exam boards is **14:00 on Friday 16 March**.

#### FET:

### Where to find specialist software

There are computers in the Library with specific software builds:

- Design
- Engineering, Mathematics and Analysis
- Geography and Environmental Management
- <u>Software Development</u>

<u>The Works</u> Learning Zone (Level 2, F Block) also has engineering and software development applications.

You can pre-book computers if you want to guarantee that your computer will have the software you need.

Find a computer with specialist software

Frenchay:

## Book a silent study pod

In response to your feedback, you can now book 12 of the computers in the silent study pods on Level 5 of Frenchay Library. The bookable pods are on the left as you come up staircase 7, in Zone B.

Book a silent study pod