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Celebrating UWE Talent, exam adjustments and more

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Our busy month continues!

We hope you're continuing to make the most of everything October has to offer. This week we're looking forward to Cyber Security Week, our Meet the Employers Fair and the launch of the UWE Bristol Grand Challenge.

As we're a few weeks into term now, we'd also like to remind you of our [online study skills advice and tutorials](#) - there's loads of information there to help you with your academic skills, including referencing, presentations and time-keeping.

It's Cyber Security Week

[Cyber Security Week](#) is full of activities to help keep you, your data and your devices free from cyber crime.

Highlights include our i-Patch Pirates online game, a magic selfie mirror, VR games and our retro arcade. You can also complete our [cyber security online survey](#) for the chance to win £150 Amazon vouchers.

Cyber Security Week is also the perfect opportunity to remind you to be vigilant to phishing email attacks - we have lots of [guidance on what to look out](#) for online.

See what's happening

Meet the Employers Fair - this Wednesday

Our Meet the Employers Fair takes place this **Wednesday 17 October**, 11:00 - 15:00, at the Exhibition and Conference Centre, Frenchay Campus.

You'll have the opportunity to meet 180 employers offering a range of placements, graduate jobs and work experience.

And that's not all - you'll also be able to find out about starting your own business, volunteering, working abroad, postgraduate study and more.

Find out more about the Fair

Join the UWE Bristol Grand Challenge

This year's Grand Challenge is to find ways to ease homelessness in Bristol. You'll work as a team to propose innovative solutions to this complex real-world problem, developing your skills along the way.

The Grand Challenge launches this **Friday 19 October** at a special event at the Exhibition and Conference Centre. If you're interested in taking part, book your place to join us at the launch.

Find out more and book to join the launch

Are your exam adjustments in place?

If you're entitled to exam adjustments and haven't requested these yet please contact our Disability Services team as soon as possible, and have your supporting evidence ready to provide.

The deadline for arranging adjustments for the January assessment period is **Thursday 1 November**. If you have any questions, please contact the team.

Contact the Disability Service



Wild & Well Festival - this weekend

Wild & Well is a completely new kind of festival for anyone who wants to live in a happier, healthier, more connected way.

Taking place in Bristol **this weekend** (20 and 21 October), there are dozens of events across four themes: Move, Eat, Connect and Explore.

You can get 25% off using the discount code **UWEWellbeing** (scroll down to the bottom of the tickets page).

Buy your ticket

Are you an award winner?

Our [Celebrating UWE Bristol Talent](#) Awards recognise the outstanding achievements of students involved in employability-related activities. Categories include Volunteer of the Year, Entrepreneur of the Year, Global Experience Student of the Year and more.

Winners and runners up receive cash prizes and official recognition from the University. Imagine how great that'll look on your CV!

Nominate yourself by **Wednesday 31 October** to be in with a chance of winning. All you need to do is complete a personal statement reflecting on your experiences.

Nominate yourself now

Get money smart

Struggling to budget? Student loan disappeared already?

Get money smart with Blackbullion, a free learning platform to help you develop money skills for life. Simply register with your university email address and take control of your finances.

Register now to start learning



SpeakUp)))

Speak Up: consent

Consent is a mutual and free choice. If you're not sure about a situation, stop, ask and check every time - even if you were previously given consent.

If you see or hear something that's not right, Speak Up and be an active bystander.

Speak Up

Speak Up workshops

Join us at a workshop to think about what you can do around street harassment and ways to become an active bystander.

Thursday 18 October, 13:00 - 14:00 (Frenchay Campus) or 15:00 - 16:00 (Glenside Campus).

Book your place

Reminders

Study skills workshops

Workshops take place on all campuses and will help you improve skills such as critical writing, note taking, referencing and more.

Grants for community projects

Grants of up to £3,000 are available for community projects. Apply by Monday 29 October.

Become a Student Ambassador

Support university events and activities and gain valuable work experience by becoming a Student Ambassador.

Mindview mind mapping software

Organise your ideas in a visual way with Mindview mind mapping software (available on university computers).

Buy your Art Pass

Spend £5 on a Student Art Pass and get a year's worth of free access to over 240 museums, galleries and historic houses.

Disruption to rail services

Two new railway lines are being installed between Bristol Temple Meads and Bristol Parkway between **Saturday 27 October to Sunday 18 November**.

During this time buses will replace trains between Temple Meads and Bristol Parkway, and along the Severn Beach line.

[Find out more](#)

Take part in our global experience photo competition

Heading abroad this academic year? Show off your international experience by entering our photo competition.

Open to all students who are working, studying, volunteering or teaching abroad, we're looking for images that tell a story. Why not send us a selfie against beautiful scenery or amongst a bustling city street? Or a photo of you taking part in an unusual cultural experience?

The competition is open until Thursday 30 May 2019, so you've got plenty of time. If you win you'll receive a £150 Amazon voucher. Two runners up will win a £50 Amazon voucher.

Find out how to enter

THE STUDENTS'
UNION
AT UWE

News What's on

BY-ELECTIONS VOTING OPENS NEXT WEEK

GIANG NGUYEN

President



Thank you to all of the students who put themselves forward in this year's By-elections to represent the student body across a number of different roles within The Students' Union.

Whilst nominations are now closed, your participation still matters! Have your say and vote for the candidates you feel will best represent their student body. Voting opens next week, **Monday 22 October**. Look out for the candidates as they campaign around campus and read their manifestos when they are [published online](#) (coming soon) to find out how they wish to make a difference to life at UWE Bristol.

The winners will be announced on **Friday 26 October** at 18:00 in The Students' Union Bar at Frenchay and streamed live on our Facebook page.

AUGUSTA CHIDINMA NNAJIOFOR

VP Community and
Welfare



JADE MARSELLA

VP Sports and Health



SUSTAINABILITY SURVEY: WIN £100

It's that time of year again - we want to hear from you!

We're running our annual sustainability survey and your answers will help shape our sustainability plan for the next four years.

You'll have the chance to win £100 cash by completing the short, confidential survey about your attitudes and opinions towards sustainability. The closing date is **Sunday 28 October**.

[Take part in the survey](#)

CREEP IT REAL WITH OUR ZOMBIE RUN!

Bristol has been taken over by zombies. An advance party have gone missing, and with them the only antidote. The survival of the city depends on you!

All you have to do is follow in the footsteps of the advance party - but there's a catch. The route is full of zombies, so in order to survive, you must think, move and act like a zombie. But don't get infected!

Sign up to the first Varsity event of the year and get your zombie on this Halloween.

[Buy your ticket](#)

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We promise not to overwhelm you and we'll only send you things that are relevant.

You'll get a regular newsletter and some targeted communications.

If you unsubscribe you'll miss important emails. [Contact us](#) if you have any questions.

Dynamic content

Frenchay Campus:

Cyber Security Week additional line: Come along to Frenchay Campus Library any day this week to get involved in all the activities.

Fruit and veg stall now accepts card payments

As a result of customer feedback, the Frenchay Campus fruit and veg stall now accepts card, contactless and phone payments.

Based on the ground floor of E block (next to the cash points), it's an easy and affordable way to get your five a day. Open every weekday from 08:00.

New Disability Service drop-in sessions

The [Disability Service](#) are now offering drop-in support sessions. You can come along to discuss any urgent queries or concerns that you have without needing an appointment.

Wednesdays from 12:00 - 15:00 in 1E22, E block, Frenchay Campus.

Glenside Campus:

Cyber Security Week additional line: Come along to Glenside Library on **Tuesday 16 October** to get involved in all the activities.

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Thursdays from 13:30 - 15:30 at the Information Point, Glenside Campus.

City Campus:

Cyber Security Week additional line: Come along to Bower Ashton Students' Union cafe/bar on **Wednesday 17 October** to get involved in all the activities.

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Mondays from 13:30 - 15:30 at the Information Point at Arnolfini, or Thursdays from 13:30 - 15:30 in 0F8, Bower Ashton.

Changes to the 70/71 bus service from Sunday 28 October

A new timetable will be in place for the 70/71 bus service **from Sunday 28 October**.

The last 71 from Bower Ashton to the city centre/Frenchay Campus (Monday – Friday) will leave campus at 19:55.

If you're on campus later than this, you can get the X3 or X3A from Clanage Road (by Bedminster Cricket Club), which runs every hour (20:20, 21:17, 22:17, 23:17, 00:17).

The 71 will no longer call at Bower Ashton at weekends, so please use the X3 or X3A.

Updated timetables will be available on the First Bus website from 28 October.

Postgraduate taught:

If personal circumstances affected your dissertation

If you did not submit your dissertation due to difficult personal circumstances, you may be able to use the [missed assessment process](#).

If you submitted your dissertation but feel you shouldn't have done so, you may be able to use the [removal of marks process](#).

The deadline for applications (for students completing their award) is **14:00 on Friday 19 October**. We recommend that you talk to our [Information Point team](#) for advice on your specific circumstances before submitting an application.

How are Masters degrees calculated?

The way Masters degrees are calculated changed (for the better!) at the beginning of this academic year. We now use a weighted average of the best 120 credits to determine the final level of an award.

- A **merit** will be awarded where a weighted average of at least 60% has been achieved across any combination of modules at level M totalling 120 credits or more.
- A **distinction** will be awarded where a weighted average of at least 70% has been achieved across any combination of modules at level M totalling 120 credits or more.

Tier 4 students:

Responsibility for your Tier 4 student visa

As a Tier 4 student there are certain things that you need to do to maintain and protect your visa, such as keeping your passport and BRP safe, checking your work restrictions and more.

[Read our guidance on protecting your visa](#)

Level 2 international and EU students:

Do you speak English as a foreign or second language?

One of our lecturers, Dr. Selma Babayiğit, is conducting a research study about international students who speak English as a foreign or second language and their experiences of higher education.

By taking part in the study you'll receive a £15 voucher. If you have any questions, please contact Selma.Babayigit@uwe.ac.uk.

Register your interest

International, EU and Exchange students:

International Welcome Reception

Join us at our international students' Welcome Reception at City Hall tomorrow, Tuesday 16 October. [Book your place.](#)

Language exchange café

If you are keen to meet new people, improve your language skills and learn about different cultures, come along to one of our language cafés.

The next language café is on **Wednesday 24 October** at The Students' Union, Frenchay Campus.

See all dates for this term

FBL:

FBL Community Hour Careers Forum: working abroad

Come and hear from the British Council, China Britain Business Council and one of our Business graduates about what it's like to work in different countries.

Monday 22 October, 13:00 – 14:00 in the Business School.

Book now

Level 1:

Student Experience Project: £200 for your feedback

The UWE Bristol [Student Experience Project](#) is recruiting first year students to take part in three research interviews over the course of this academic year.

The interviews will cover the services, support and systems you use throughout your first year and will help us ensure we're meeting students' needs. We're offering a £200 incentive to all participants.

The project registration form contains further information, but if you have any questions you can contact experience.project@uwe.ac.uk.

Register to take part