

**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.

When results are out, disruption to Blackboard, Degree Shows

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## It's Degree Show season

Over the past few days over 2000 students, staff and supporters attended the Environment and Technology and Creative Industries Degree Shows with more expected throughout this week.

If you're still in Bristol, it's not too late to drop into the [Creative Industries Degree Show](#) at City Campus. It's open Monday to Wednesday from 10:00 – 20:00 - no registration required.

## Blackboard - maintenance and disruption

IT Services will be upgrading Blackboard to the latest version from this Friday 14 June until Monday 1 July. These dates have been chosen to minimise disruption to teaching and learning, but we apologise if you are one of the few students impacted.

**Blackboard will be unavailable from 17:00 on Friday 14 June - 09:00 on Saturday 15 June.**

From 09:00 on Saturday 15 June until Monday 1 July, Blackboard will be available as a read-only service. Unless specifically asked by your tutor, you should not submit assessments or post any content to Blackboard during this period.

The upgraded version will be fully available from Monday 1 July. You won't need to update any links or bookmarks. Please note that other systems accessed via Blackboard including Panopto and Pebblepad will be fully available from 09:00 on Saturday 15 June.

You can change the status of all our IT systems via the [IT Service Status dashboard](#). If you have any questions, email [itonline@uwe.ac.uk](mailto:itonline@uwe.ac.uk)

## When are results due out?

Some of you will receive results via myUWE week commencing 24 June - you can check which day on our [results publication dates webpage](#).

If you have any questions or concerns, give our [Information Points](#) a call on 0117 32 85678.

## Resit coursework

If you know that you've not passed all of the coursework for a particular module, you can get started on your resubmission as soon as you're able to - you don't need to wait for your confirmed marks in myUWE.

Resit coursework is available on Blackboard - if it's not showing for a particular module, please contact the module leader and/or an [Information Point](#).



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## TRY OUR FAIRTRADE PRODUCTS

Did you know that we sell a range of Fairtrade products in The Students' Union shops? From chocolate to coffee, there's a variety of products available.

By making a conscious effort to buy Fairtrade items, you will be supporting sustainability, decent working conditions and fair terms of trade for farmers and workers in the developing

world.

With simple changes to your shopping choices, you have the power to help change the world and give farmers a better deal.

## AUGUSTA CHIDINMA NNAJIOFOR

VP Community and  
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## FREDDIE GOUGH

VP Societies and  
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## ASK FOR ANGELA

Have you ever been out and in a situation that doesn't feel safe? *Ask for Angela* is a national campaign designed to support anyone in a circumstance where they feel uncomfortable.

The initiative encourages people to go to the bar if they're in an unsafe situation and ask for 'Angela' - the bar staff will know that they need some assistance and will discreetly help them to leave.

Here at The Students' Union we've made our bar staff aware of this initiative so if you do need to get out of a situation, they'll be able to support you with this.

[Find out more](#)

## DECLUTTERING?

The Bristol Big Give is a collaboration between UWE Bristol and the University of Bristol turning unwanted possessions into cash for charity.

All you need to do is sort out your unwanted items and take them to one of the 'Bristol Big Give' drop-off points. The items are then distributed to the British Heart Foundation as well as other local charities.

It's a great way to dispose of items sustainably whilst supporting local charities. So, get decluttering and give your unwanted items a new lease of life!

[Find a drop-off near you](#)

## Quick links

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## Get in touch

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## Dynamic content

### Bower Ashton students

## Clear campus of your belongings by Friday 14 June

Please remember to take home any of your belongings which are currently on campus, including all materials and artefacts from lockers/studios/technical spaces and any work sitting on hard drives, by Friday 14 June.

If you've already gone home or can't make this date, please **hit reply to this email** with your name, student number and the items you've left behind.

All campuses will be deep cleaned over the summer and any items left on site will be disposed of. After 14 June, we'll no longer take responsibility for the items unless required for assessment or extenuating circumstances.

[I've left items at Bower](#)

### Gloucester

## Free reflexology and massage therapy on campus

Luke from the Gloucester Natural Therapy Centre is offering reflexology and massage therapy sessions at Alexandra Warehouse on **Monday 8 July** at the following times: **10:15, 11:15, 14:30, 15:30.**

Places are on a first come, first served basis, so if you're interested, be quick!

I'm interested

#### Tier 4 students

## Working hours during the summer holidays

The student vacation officially runs from Saturday 29 June until Monday 16 September.

**Undergraduate students:** You can work full-time during this period unless your BRP states that work is prohibited. If this is listed on your BRP please come and talk to us as it could be an error.

**Postgraduate students:** The 20 hour per week limit on work continues to apply until you have submitted your final piece of work (typically your dissertation).

## Extending your visa for resits/retakes

If you need to resit or repeat part of your course you may be able to extend your Tier 4 student visa. However, due to immigration legislation, this won't always be possible.

If you need a Confirmation of Acceptance of Studies (CAS) for a visa extension, you must complete a CAS request form. Come to a [drop-in session](#) where an immigration adviser will complete the form with you and submit it on your behalf.

If you are eligible for a CAS you will also have to meet visa requirements as part of the visa application process. Some of these are time sensitive, so it is a good idea to start to prepare your documents as soon as possible for your visa extension.

#### Frenchay

## Library refurbishments

We're doing some [refurbishments](#) at the moment so there may be some noise disruption.

You can go to the level 2 help pods to get a free pair of ear plugs or borrow headphones. Library staff can also help to advise on an alternative area of the library to work in, if you need specific software, equipment or noise level.

#### Level 0, 1, 2

## Have you applied for Student Finance for next year?

You need to reapply each year via your funding body (e.g. Student Finance England) as it's not automatically renewed. Reapply as soon as you can to avoid delays in receiving your funding!

Apply now

## Level 3 students

### Final year students

#### **Work out your degree classification**

Find out how your honours degree classification and differential levels of award are calculated.

#### **Save any materials you may need**

You'll lose access to IT systems 6 weeks after your course ends – including myUWE, Blackboard, your H: Drive and OneDrive. Your UWE live email will remain active for one year.

#### **Download documents from myUWE**

Be sure to download anything you may need from myUWE once you've received your results - including your Higher Education Achievement Record (HEAR) - as you'll lose access 6 weeks after your course ends.

#### **Prepare to pay council tax**

Your council tax exemption will end on Friday 28 June - so after this date you will need to contact your council for an amended bill.

#### **Register for graduation**

Check your email account for your invitation to your award ceremony. You need to let us know if you're coming and buy your guest tickets by Thursday 20 June.

#### **Join Alumni Connect**

Alumni Connect links students and alumni around the world.

You can find industry experts, professional contacts, local connections and old friends.

## Level 0, 1 students

### Health and wellbeing survey

Last year, before you joined the university, you might remember filling in a pre-arrival health and wellbeing survey on your applicant portal.

Now we're checking in to see how things have been during your first year with a follow-up survey. It's

entirely anonymous and the findings will be used to identify priorities for the university.

After the survey you'll be directed to a separate webpage where you can enter your email address to be entered in our prize draw - there's over £300 worth of Amazon vouchers to be won!

[Complete the survey now](#)