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.

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**Infopoints** 



#### Welcome back!

We're excited for a new term and hope you are too! Campus is busy again - if you see anyone looking lost, help them out with directions or signpost them to an <u>Information Point</u> if they have a question - they're on hand to answer all queries, no matter how big or small.

Remember, if you have any of your own questions about your course, the campus, support services or anything else, get in touch!

## Community grants available from the UWE Bristol Fund

Applications for grants of up to £3000 for projects that enhance student learning (inside or outside of the curriculum) through practical and community-based activities are now being accepted until **Monday 4 November**.

Applications must be made by a current student or staff member, and identify a lead community partner. If you have a good idea and are seeking a suitable community partner, the UWE Bristol Fund team can help.

The community partner must be a community organisation that can clearly demonstrate its charitable aims in a governing document.

Find out more and how to apply

#### Five secrets to success

Are you looking for the secret to success at UWE Bristol? It's actually pretty simple, and it's within you!

Across five modules, using films and podcasts, we've brought together insight from our lecturers and support services that will help you develop the five skills you need to be in control of your wellbeing.

Find out what you can do to succeed

## Upgrade your Lynda.com profile to bank your history

If you are a current Lynda.com user and you want your history (including a record of completed courses, progress, bookmarks etc.) to migrate to the new LinkedIn Learning platform, you will need to upgrade your profile by **this Sunday, 22 September.** 

We advise checking the <u>Lynda.com privacy policy</u> before making changes.

How to keep your Lynda.com history

### Mental Wealth Lab talk

On Wednesday 16 October we will be joined by Ben Smith as part of the <u>UWE Bristol Mental</u> Wealth Lab Initiative.

Ben will talk candidly about his experience growing up from a happy childhood which took a difficult turn during school when he experienced pervasive bullying and mental and physical abuse, leaving him with shattered confidence and low self-esteem.

In 2014, <u>The 401 Challenge</u> was born when Ben decided to take his bad experiences and turn them into something positive. Join us to hear his inspirational talk on how his life experiences have led him to where he is today.

Find out more and register

#### Free taster sessions at the Centre for Music

From music lessons and vocal coaching, to music production and DJing, our Centre for Music has something for everyone.

- Learning and playing taster sessions: Monday 23 Thursday 26 September
- Singing taster sessions: Monday 23 Friday 27 September

Taster sessions are taking place at the Centre for Music, unless otherwise stated. Why not have a look at the sessions we have available?

Find out more and book

### MyEngagement

We want to make sure your time with us is happy, healthy and successful. Research indicates that the more students are involved in their educational experience, the better they do.

We're introducing a new system called MyEngagement, which allows you to see how involved you are on your course. We'll also be able to see this data and will use it to offer you support if your engagement is low. There might be many reasons for this drop in engagement - from struggling with a study skill or time management to homesickness.

By noticing low engagement early, we can reach out to you and check things are OK. We can let you know about support you might find useful, such as study skills workshops, wellbeing support or money advice - whatever you need to help you get back on track. You'll never be penalised for low engagement, it's simply about offering you support.

Find out more



## **Volunteering Fair**

Volunteering is a great way to gain skills and experience to add to your CV. The next Fair is at the ECC, Frenchay Campus on Tuesday 1 October from 11:00-15:00.

The Fair gives you the chance to speak to over 80 organisations offering a variety of volunteering opportunities, from long-term projects to international opportunities.

Why should I attend?



## Meet the Employers Fair

Our biggest careers event of the year takes place on Wednesday 16 October between 11:00-15:00 at the Exhibition and Conference Centre.

Over 180 employers from a range of sectors will join us offering a variety of graduate and undergraduate roles, internships and work experience opportunities.

Why should I attend?



Learn more about managing your finances

<u>Blackbullion</u> is a free learning platform that helps you develop essential money skills for life. It's filled with videos, graphics and quizzes, empowering you to make more informed financial decisions. You can register with your student email address.

Need more advice? Why not visit the Student Money Service on Frenchay Campus. Sign up for money management workshops, book an appointment for a financial health check through <a href="Infohub">Infohub</a> or take a look at their variety of channels, all designed to boost your financial capability!

Managing your money

## Blackboard is no longer supported by Internet Explorer

The new release of Blackboard no longer supports Internet Explorer and therefore some functions won't work if using this browser. This is particularly important when making online coursework submissions.

Please use an up-to-date web browser such as <u>Google Chrome</u>, <u>Mozilla Firefox</u> or <u>Safari</u> (Mac OS only). If you require any support, please <u>contact IT</u>.

### Join us for two weeks of Feel Good events

The Feel Good programme is based on four behaviours aimed to improve wellbeing - relaxation, healthy eating, keeping active and trying new things.

We've teamed up with The Students' Union to provide you with two weeks of healthy events designed to boost your mood and improve your wellbeing!

What's on

## Would you like to take part in an online study?

Vitiligo Support UK, in collaboration with the Centre for Appearance Research are looking for students to take part in an online study about skin conditions.

To take part you'll be asked to complete two short online surveys. You will also be asked to follow a private Instagram page for 7 days or receive daily emails (regarding information about Vitiligo) for 7 days. You'll receive a £10 Amazon voucher for your time.

#### Find out more and take part



## News What's on

### THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR IS HERE!

We hope that you settle back into life at UWE Bristol easily and that you're ready to get involved with our exciting range of Welcome events.

From our Roller Disco and Meet the Dogs events to the return of our legendary Suesday, we are sure that there's something for everyone. This year, we are collaborating with some of Bristol's biggest names and venues, such as Propaganda and Motion, to bring you an amazing line-up of night time events.

#### Welcome events





#### FRESHERS' FAIR

Make sure you don't miss our Freshers' Fair, which is taking place between 11:00 and 16:00 this Friday 20 September in the ECC. We'll have more than 220 stalls, including some huge brands like Amazon, AirHop and McFlurry.

#### **GIVE IT A GO**

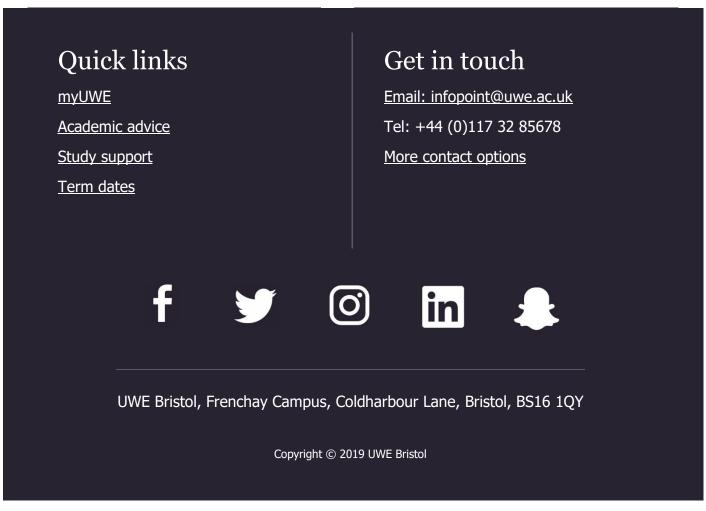
Give it A Go is a chance for you to get a taste of everything on offer at The Students' Union. Whether you would like to join a sports club or society, or you want to know who to become a student rep, we have a range of sessions for you to attend free.

From signing up to sports clubs and societies to bagging yourself some awesome freebies, Freshers' Fair is an opportunity to learn more about The Students' Union and all of the fun you can have while at university.

Freshers' Fair

Events range from Ultimate Frisbee to a Technicolour Choir and take place between Saturday 21 - Sunday 29 September. Not only is this a great way to meet new people, but it's also an opportunity to learn a new skill, which will look great on your CV!

Give it a go



As a student, you will receive emails from the Student Communications Team. We promise not to overwhelm you and we'll only <u>send</u> you things that are relevant. You'll get a regular newsletter and some targeted communications. If you unsubscribe you'll miss important emails. <u>Contact us</u> if you have any questions.

#### **Dynamic content**

**City Campus** 

#### Words We Never Wrote

Words We Never Wrote is an 'ambient literature' project taking place in the Library at Bower Ashton this week.

It's been produced by the <u>Digital Cultures Research Centre</u> based in The Pervasive Media Studio at Watershed.

To take part download the app and move through the Library where Bluetooth triggers will play the relevant audio content.

Find out more

## That Film Festival

That Film Festival is supporting new and emerging talent in the film industry by providing exposure to investors, experts and funding to create a short feature film.

To be in with the chance of winning the £1,000,000 budget, enter your short film, mini series or unfinished film to the upcoming <u>Marbella Showcase</u>. This is a prize unrivalled in the world and short film making, so don't miss out!

Find out more and apply

## The Art shop has moved

Visit us from Monday 16 September in room 0C38, C block. Our opening hours are 09:00-17:00, Monday to Friday during term time.

#### **Frenchay Campus**

## Have you seen our pop-up charity shop?

Just moved into new accommodation? Need a few extra things? Come see us at our pop-up charity shop on F Block patio opposite OneZone.

This joint venture between UWE, the SU and the British Heart Foundation aims to sell useful household items and clothing to staff and students - why not take a look?

#### The Post Office has moved!

The Frenchay Post Office has been moved to 4D030 in the Library and will now be provided by Printworks. It's open from 10:00-16:00 Monday-Friday and accepts credit and debit cards.

# High Street catering brands coming to campus

The start of a new term will see three new outlets on Frenchay Campus - Costa, Crussh and Subway! You can find Costa Coffee in R Block, Crussh in the University Enterprise Zone and Subway in Q Block - so why not try them out?