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Student Ambassador scheme, Go Global and register to vote.

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### Winter is coming!

We hope you felt the benefit of the extra hour from the clocks changing. If you're not a fan of winter and find the change of season getting you down, don't face it alone - we have a range of <u>wellbeing support</u> options to see you through.

In this edition we'll let you know about our Student Ambassador scheme, along with a range of events including Go Global Day, our Engineering building roadshow and Blackbullion training sessions.

### Become a Student Ambassador

Do you want to gain experience in a large organisation, enhance your customer service and communication skills, and become a role model for higher education?

Then our Student Ambassador Scheme is for you - and it's even flexible around your studies!

Find out more and apply

### Have you registered to vote?

Registering to vote means you'll be ready to have your say if an election is called, and they can be called at any time, so it's a good idea to register now.

It takes less than 5 minutes - the same amount of time it takes to catch-up on your socials or make your morning coffee, so what's stopping you?

Register to vote

### Are you interested in our new engineering building?

We're hosting a range of roadshows where you can find out more. Come and visit our stand and try out our VR headset for a unique virtual tour of the building, view the time lapse of construction so far, take a look at our drone footage of the site and ask any questions you may have on the build!

Roadshows will take place at the Atrium on **Monday 4 November**, and Onezone on **Tuesday 5 November** from **10:00 - 15:00**.

# Do you want to take part in the next UWE Daigo Project?

Following a hugely successful trip in the summer, applications are now open for the next UWE Daigo Project trip to The Gambia, taking place from **Friday 3** to **Saturday 18 January 2020**.

Students can get involved in a number of 2 week volunteering projects that will help the local communities. The trip costs £200 per student, covering the cost of accommodation, food, flights and resources. Applications close **Monday 4 November**, so be quick!

Request an application form



### The art of juggling money

We know that the run up to Christmas can be overwhelming, so we encourage you to plan your budget. Not sure how? We can help!

As a UWE Bristol student, you have free access to <u>Blackbullion</u> - an easy to use online learning platform, designed to help you develop your skills.

Find our more and register



### Financial capability

The <u>Financial Capability module</u> is part of UWE Bristol Futures Award and blends practical with theoretical to help you understand financial management.

This module takes place on Wednesday afternoons. Each workshop finishes with a quiz and an opportunity to win prizes, so why not sign up?

Find out more and register

### **UWE Bristol Grand Challenge**

There's still time to get involved in the UWE Bristol Grand Challenge! This year, the topic is homelessness.

Homelessness in Bristol is one of the most urgent problems facing the city. It is estimated by Shelter that 1 in 170 residents are homeless, sleeping rough, or accommodated in temporary housing or hostels.

Take part in the Grand Challenge and work collaboratively with city agencies, build your understanding of the causes and solutions to homelessness and propose innovative solutions to a complex problem!

Find out how you can take part

Be In The Know About Drugs including Alcohol

Join us on **Thursday 7 November** for 'Be In The Know About Drugs including Alcohol', a course created in collaboration with UWE Bristol, University of Bristol and Avon & Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership, helping you better understand drugs and alcohol.

This harm reduction and awareness session is designed to enable you to make an informed choice when thinking about recreational and problematic use. We'll discuss a range of topics including effects, risks and the impact of drugs on mental health.

Find out more and register to attend

### Join UWE Bristol Sport

From student gym memberships and over 40 exercise classes per week, to sports volunteering and the fantastic MOVE programme, UWE Bristol Sport has something for you - so what are you waiting for?

**Explore UWE Bristol Sport** 

# TV licensing - get clued up!

Do you know the rules on when a TV licence is needed?

You'll need a TV licence if you watch live programmes on any device, and if you download and record shows on iPlayer.

Know the facts

# How to access the NHS in non-emergencies

Not sure what to do when you need to access NHS services?

Remember, always visit <u>NHS online</u>, or call 111 before visiting A&E in non-emergency situations.

NHS 111 online

### Design our digital Christmas card

We're looking for someone to design our official UWE Bristol Christmas Card!

If you win, you'll receive a £250 prize and your design will be shared with our supporters across the world. Our four runners-up will each receive £50.

Interested? Submit your entry by **Wednesday 6 November**.

Find out more and take part

### Student art pass

The Student Art Pass opens up a world of art, opportunities and community. Sign up for a Student Art Pass for £5 for a whole year of reduced-price entry to hundreds of museums, galleries and historic houses.

Find out more and sign up



### 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 unusual cultural experience?

If you win, you'll receive a £150 Amazon voucher. Two runners up will each win a £50 Amazon voucher.

Find out how to enter

### Go Global showcase

Want to expand your horizons by studying, working or volunteering abroad? Then our Go Global showcase is just the thing for you!

Join us on **Tuesday 12 November** at the SU to find out more.

Find out more about the Go Global showcase

### Make your passwords strong and unique

With data breaches more and more common these days, we'd like to remind you that there are a few easy things you can do to keep your information safe.

- Only use your UWE Bristol email address for university work.
- Never use your university password for any other accounts.
- Make your passwords strong and unique by using passphrase (there are some examples on our information security toolkit).
- Set up your password manager so you can guickly change your password.
- Don't share your passwords with anyone else.



News What's on

### COMPLETE THE NUS SKILLS SURVEY

NUS is running it's Skills Survey to find out your thoughts on UWE Bristol and the skills you have developed for your future job prospects. This is a great chance to have your say and express your opinion, which could create positive change across further education.

The survey is confidential and upon completion, you will automatically be entered into a draw to win a whopping £500 or one of ten £50 second prizes - think what you could do with £500! We're talking European mini-breaks, a new winter wardrobe or various other treats! Be quick, you only have until Sunday 10 November.

Complete the survey





# SPORTS DOES STRICTLY

Cha-cha-cha your way over to The Students' Union Bar on Tuesday 19 November, for the second ever Sports Does Strictly.

The event sees individuals from a range of sports teams paired up with members of the UWE Dance Club. They will then have to learn a dance routine, which they will perform on the night.

The event will raise money for United for Sport, an organisation that uses the power of sport to improve the lives of disadvantaged children.

Book your tickets

## ACCOMMODATION FAIR

If you're looking for next year's home, make sure that you head to our Accommodation Fair on Tuesday 26 November, 12:00-15:00.

From contracts to tenants' rights, we will have a range of accommodation experts on hand, ready to answer your questions. They'll also be able to review housing options for the next academic year!

So get the date in your diary, start thinking about who you want to live with next year and head down to the Fair!

Find out more

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### Dynamic

Frenchay Campus

### Changes to Information Point opening hours

From **16:30** to **18:30** during term-time, <u>Information Point</u> will be based at the Student Centre, located in the Farmhouse. You can still contact the team on 0117 32 85678, or via <u>email</u>.

# Do you have opinions about teaching and learning at UWE Bristol?

A team of researchers from The Bristol Centre of Linguistics and the Faculty of Business and Law are running a study into student perceptions of learning and teaching at UWE. We're looking for students to take part from all faculties, courses and modes of study.

To take part, you'll attend a focus group held on Frenchay campus, between **Monday 4 November** and **Friday 15 November**. Exact dates, times and rooms will be confirmed via email. You'll even receive a UWE food voucher, and a £5 discount at lovetoshop for taking part!

Register to take part

Postgraduate taught



### Are you graduating in November?

If you haven't registered for your ceremony already, you need to do so before **Thursday 21 October** at **16:00**.

To register, check your student account for your invitation and click the link to the online store.

Registration information

**ACE** students

### We are Albert

Join us on **Wednesday 6 November**, when we'll hear Emma Peddie of BBC Bristol talk about 'We are Albert', the BAFTA sponsored sustainability guideline for the creative industry.

Don't miss this great event with a key person from the BBC!



Frenchay campus

### Visit our Living Library

Have you ever seen a person and wondered which personal experiences in their life has shaped them to be the person they are today?

Visit our Living Library to speak to your fellow students and staff to help eliminate stereotypes and to create a safe space for everyone!

When can I attend?

### Join our reading groups

Come along to our drop-in library reading groups! At each session we will read a short story, article or blog post together and discuss what we think.

You don't need to read the pieces in advance as we will provide copies on the day. No need to book, these are drop-in sessions open to everyone!

Reading group schedule

International students

### Calling all UWE Bristol international talent interns!

Were you nominated by your employer for an award? 73% of our summer 2019 international interns were nominated, so the competition is fierce. Check your inbox and follow the guidelines sent by the international talent team - and get your personal statement in quick!

Need some inspiration? Watch <u>Heloise's and Tomoko's story</u> - this year, it could be you!