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Reporting symptoms, support and events

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<u>myUWE</u> <u>Support</u> <u>Infopoints</u>

This is yourUWE Bristol.

Supporting you to succeed

We're so happy to have everybody back and wish you a great first week of teaching.

With the pandemic in the forefront of all our minds it's important that you feel safe on campus and know the support options and resources available to you.

Make a habit of checking the <u>Students page</u> as we regularly update it with useful information as well as links to key services.

And for a quick run down of all our support services watch our wellbeing film below or visit our <u>wellbeing support page</u>.



Reporting symptoms to the University

It's vital that we keep you and the wider community safe. But the only way we can do this effectively, is to understand how many cases we have in the University population.

That's why you must report any Covid-19 related symptoms to the Covid Support Team either by phone on 0117 32 87000 or online using Infohub (login required).

You won't be penalised and by telling the University about your symptoms we can support you properly through the next steps.

To keep you up to date on confirmed cases on campus, we've also created a <u>Covid-19</u> <u>tracker</u> which will be updated daily Monday - Friday.

If you're getting a test on campus, remember to avoid going through University buildings to get to the test site.

Support whilst self-isolating

The pandemic is constantly evolving and there might be times when we have to self-isolate to protect ourselves and others.

In preparation for this, we've created a <u>self-isolation guide</u> full of useful advice and resources to keep you connected to all aspects of University life. We've also published a blog on <u>how to stay well in self-isolation</u>.

Make sure you read our guidance on what to do and how to access support if you or a flatmate is self-isolating.

Self-isolation in accommodation >



Visitors, bubbles and households - explained!

Read our rules on visitors and social distancing in UWE managed and private accommodation.

Read the post >

Get support from Student space

<u>Student Space</u> is a dedicated service for students navigating studying and the challenges of the pandemic. So if you haven't already check out their website!

However you're feeling, help and guidance is available.

Study skills

By now we're sure you're pros at online learning, but if you still aren't confident on what key technologies you should be using, or you're just struggling to engage with studying online, take a look at our <u>guide</u>.

The library also offer a variety of study skills guides to help you tackle <u>referencing</u>, <u>research</u> and more!

Need extra financial support?

The Digital Capability Scheme has now come to a close but the <u>UWE Bristol Support fund</u> is now open for applications.

Demand for the fund can be high, so we recommend submitting your application as soon as possible.

Find out more >

What can I get involved in?

Events at the Arnolfini

The Arnolfini have a wide range of events for you to get involved in, from film screenings to exhibitions and workshops.

Many of the events take place on site where The workshops take place virtually and are social distancing will be in place.

Find out more >

Volunteering Q&A

Throughout October and November you can hear from local organisations and learn about the range of volunteering roles available in Bristol and Bath.

Sessions are online, every Tuesday and Thursday.

Register >

Study skills workshops

The library run regular study skills workshops covering a range of topics including critical writing and referencing.

booked via Infohub.

Explore the workshops >

Join the Centre for Music

From Monday 19 October, the Centre for Music will be running 4 weeks of free online courses! From songwriting to how to make a home studio - they're not to be missed.

It's free to become a member no matter what you are studying!

<u>| Join now ></u>

Climate conference

This year's **Environmental Association for Universities and Colleges Global Climate** conference takes place online from Monday 16 November to Friday 20 November.

Sustainability survey

The Students' Union want to find out about your concerns surrounding sustainability this year. Complete the short survey for a chance to win an £100 Ethical Superstore voucher!

As a UWE Bristol student you can attend the event for free just email the organisers and quote 'student20' in your email. You must complete it by **Friday 23 October** to enter the draw and if you have any questions <u>email</u> the Green Team.

Email >

Complete the survey >

Santander online development programme

We're pleased to announce that UWE Bristol are taking part in the Santander Student Online Self-Development Programme. <u>Santander UK Universities</u> have teamed up with <u>Sporting Edge Digital Learning</u> and are providing a new online learning platform which focuses on performance themes including personal drive, learning mindset, confidence, and many more.

Students taking part will have access to a huge library of insights, and have a chance of winning a £10,000 Santander Development Grant! There are 19 places available, closing date for applications to take part is **Wednesday 18 November**.

Find out more >

Bristol City Council Covid campaigns - have your say

Bristol City council are launching new campaigns to inform and support young people during the pandemic, and they want your help!

Get involved by completing their survey which aims to gather feedback about how a campaign might look and sound, and how to best communicate government restrictions and Public Health guidelines to young people.

Complete the survey >

The law on TV Licensing

The law states that you need to be covered by a TV licence to watch or record programmes as they're being shown on TV, or live on an online TV service (e.g. YouTube, Amazon Prime Video, Apple TV, Now TV, Sky Go, etc.).

A licence is also needed to download or watch BBC programmes on iPlayer. This applies to any device, whether it is a TV set, laptop, tablet, mobile phone or games console.

Know the facts >

Service updates

The Printworks Shop and postal service

The <u>PrintWorks Shop and postal service</u>, based in Room 4D30 Frenchay Campus, will be reopening from today (**Monday 19 October**).

The shop and post service will be operating in a fully COVID secure way to ensure the safety of staff and customers.

Appointments with the Cash office and Credit Control

The Income office is no longer offering a drop in counter service. You can book an appointment with the cash office via Infohub.

Credit Control are operating their appointments virtually via Teams. If you have any queries please <u>email</u>.

Changes to Metrobus route and timetable

As of today (**Monday 19 October**) the M1 bus will have an increased frequency of every 5 minutes between Frenchay Campus and the City Centre. This increased frequency will help reduce queuing within the bus station.

The M3 bus will be reintroduced as a route linking to the city centre and Emerson's Green and will operate every 20 minutes. This service will stop just outside Frenchay campus at the Frenchay Gardens stop as this will aid social distancing and avoid crowding on campus.

Visit the First Bus website >

Patchway bridge replacement this autumn

From **Sunday 25 October** to **Friday 6 November**, Network Rail is working on behalf of South Gloucestershire Council to replace a railway bridge near Patchway station in Bristol, to help improve public transport in that area.

It means that there will be changes to train journeys between England and South Wales during this period. If you do need to travel, please allow extra time, plan your route and <u>check online</u> before setting off.



News What's on





GREAT NIGHTS OUT WITHOUT LEAVING HOME

With 2020 being the year of nights in, we thought it was only apt to put together some tips for having a great night out without having to leave your home. Now hear us out, let's think about this, it's getting colder, the pubs close at 22:00 and pyjamas are comfy, so really, why would you go out?

There are so many great nights in that we've had to write a blog. Fancy a bit of a

WANT TO MAKE NEW FRIENDS AND TRY A NEW HOBBY?

Then why not join a sports clubs or society? They're a great way to enhance your time at university, meet new people and we guarantee that you will have a lot of fun! With 45 sports clubs and 110 societies to choose from, the biggest problem you are going to have is knowing which ones to join.

From traditional to non-traditional options, we are sure that there will be

boogie? Make an incredible playlist on Spotify, get some fairy lights, make some cocktails and you've got your own club before you know it. Just looking for a quiet night? Get your favourite films, grab some snacks, find every pillow and blanket in your house and you've got an epic movie night.

So check out our blog, tell your housemates and have a great night from the comfort of your own home!

Read the blog

something for you, and if there isn't, we will help you make your own! To help you get an idea of what's on offer we have a range of Give It A Go sessions, which are free to attend and let you get a taster of a club or society. We'd suggest checking out a few so that you are giving yourself plenty of choices.

For more info on societies, contact Samuel Ikpe and for sports clubs, get in contact with me!

Learn more

A YEAR IN CONVERSATION WITH AUGUSTA

I am delighted to confirm that the second edition of A Year in Conversation with Augusta is now live on The Students' Union YouTube Channel.

In this edition, I am talking to Radha Balani. Radha has had a career within sport, business and international development, and has worked with brands and talent including ESPN, The NFL, SAP, Michael Johnson, Billie Jean King, Sport England, Welsh Rugby Union, World Rugby, UK Sport and more!

This campaign aims to instigate conversations around equality, equity and inclusivity, with a range of high-profile leaders. The conversations will get to the person before the professional, and in true 2020 style, everything is online.

So subscribe to <u>The Students' Union YouTube Channel</u>, check out the first two conversations and make sure you keep up to date throughout the year.

Find out more

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International students

What's it like to live at UWE Bristol?

Hear from our current UWE Bristol International students as they share their experiences and top tips on adapting to life in the UK.

This will be a great chance to find out how to get the most out of your time at UWE Bristol. Join in at **14:00 tomorrow**!

Join the event >

Communication skills workshops

The library provides a series of one-hour workshops for any level of international student, or any student who uses English as a second or additional language.

The workshops are available to book online and cover a wide range of topics, from pronunciation to writing.

Book now >

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Postgraduate and Professional virtual open day

Choosing <u>postgraduate study</u> means choosing far more than a course. You're choosing to invest in an ambition.

Join us for our virtual Postgraduate open day on **Wednesday 4 November** between **14:00 and 20:00**, and get all the info you need to help you decide if a postgrad with us is the right choice for you.

Learn more >

EE and EN students

Registration and student loans

You don't need to wait for your 'notification of entitlement' from Student Finance to register on <u>myUWE</u>.

Once you're registered, make a habit of checking myUWE every week to see if your fee status has been updated.

Find out more >