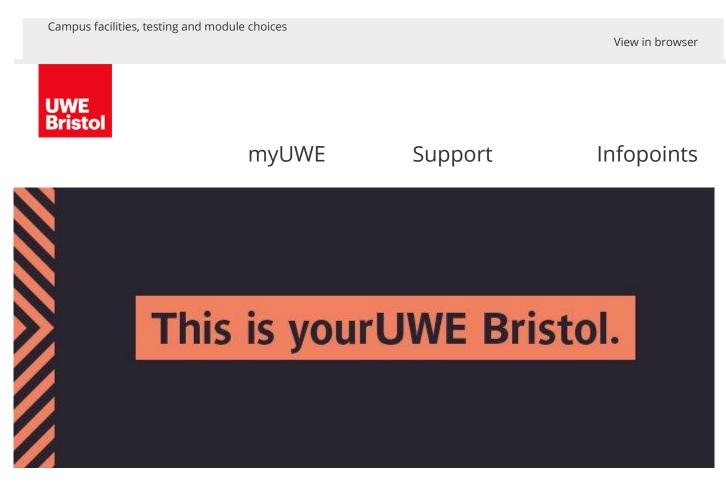
Please note: This is a copy of the newsletter sent to students. The formatting is a little different to the email version, due to the content being converted into a PDF. Dynamic content (content specific to Faculty/campus/level etc.) features at the end of this document but for students it's integrated into the body of the newsletter.



The new normal

With restrictions lifting, we hope you've had a chance to see friends and family over the past week, whether it was for a picnic in the park or dinner in a pub garden.

And remember, even if you aren't returning to campus for teaching, a number of facilities are now open for you to use!

Meeting up with friends? Or coming onto campus?

As the country begins to open up and you start socialising more, testing is even more important to keep everybody safe and healthy.

So if you're coming onto campus or just beginning to socialise more, ramp up your efforts to engage with testing, either by using the <u>asymptomatic test site</u> on Frenchay Campus or by using <u>'at home' tests</u> available through the NHS.

Make it part of your routine.

Missed the gym? Centre for Sport now open!

The <u>Centre for Sport Gym</u> is now open and covid secure. The changing rooms are closed so come ready to work out and remember to pre-book your gym slot via the <u>app</u> or <u>online</u>.

When you're at the gym, please maintain social distancing, follow the one way system, wear a mask and use the cleaning material provided.

We can't wait to welcome you back!

Book your gym session >

The Centre for Music now open for limited bookings

The team at the <u>Centre for Music</u> are delighted to welcome members back for bookings at the following times:

Monday and Thursday from 13:00-21:00 Tuesday and Friday from 10:00-17:00

You can currently book the Band Room, Jazz Club, Practice Room 3 for 1 hour and 45 minutes and the DJ Room for 3 hours and 30 minutes.

You should try to give 14 days notice on bookings but if you need something sooner, <u>get in</u> <u>touch</u> with the team and they will try to accommodate.

Not a member? Register here >

Need to use the library?

The library on Frenchay campus is now open 24/7 and our Glenside and Bower Ashton libraries are open from 07:30 to 00:00, 7 days per week.

Our library traffic-light system is still in place to help manage occupancy – you'll see signage showing how busy the spaces are.

As our libraries start to get busier again, we're likely to hit amber or red capacities so make sure that you check <u>library occupancy levels</u> before you travel.

Information for library users >

Module choices for 2021/22 now open

If your programme has optional modules in 21/22 you can now make your choices using the <u>Online Module Choices system</u>.

You have from today until **midnight** on **Monday 3 May 2021** to make your choices before the system closes.

How to choose your modules >

Uploading your photo to myUWE

Just a reminder that if you haven't uploaded your profile photo to <u>myUWE</u>, you can do so by logging into myUWE, clicking on the My Details tab and then selecting the Photo ID option.

Once in the Photo ID section you can upload your photo and crop it to the designated size. The photo should be passport style.

#love2Eduroam

Following recent security upgrades to the University wi-fi network, you'll need to update some settings on your mobile device to connect to Eduroam on campus.

To make it easy, simple and secure to connect, IT Services recommend you download and install the <u>Eduroam CAT</u> (Configuration Assistant Tool).

This is a one-time installation process and means that your device will log you in automatically when you're in an Eduroam area.

Student blog: Why I applied to be a PAL leader

Hear from Max, a third year Philosophy student, on why he became a PAL leader, his favourite moments and what he's learnt from the experience.

Want more information on becoming a PAL leader? Visit our 'Be a PAL leader' <u>page</u> and find out <u>how to apply</u>.

Read Max's blog >

Events

Hyperconnected Disconnection

Come a long to our next in our wellbeing and arts discussion workshops, hosted by Chris Hyde.

The workshop explores our connections in a disconnected modern world and how easy it is to feel disconnected from others, despite them being a few taps a way.

This workshop was rescheduled from Wednesday 14 April and will now take place on **Wednesday 21 April** from **13:00 - 15:00**.

Find out more >

Windrush Generations Project: Education

Join our online guest lecture by <u>Aisha Thomas</u>, Director of Representations Matters, on **Wednesday 21 April at 18:00**.

She is City Academy's Assistant Principal and Specialist Leader in Education for Equality, Diversity and Inclusion and Community.

This workshop is part of the Windrush Generations Project, which features mini lectures from leading artistic and community leaders in Bristol.

Register >

Holy Mass at the Octagon

The UWE chaplaincy team is happy to announce that Father Rupert Allen will be joining us to celebrate mass on **Friday 23 April** from at the Octagon on Frenchay Campus.

The Octagon is operating at a reduced capacity in order to comply with social distancing guidelines and so spaces must be booked in advance via Infohub. Please do not turn up to this session without pre-booking.

All students are welcome whether you're Catholic or just curious!

Book your place >

Science Futures Fair 2021

This year's <u>Science Futures Fair</u> is taking place over two days, **Thursday 22** April and Friday 23 April.

And like our Meet the Employers fair, the event will be hosted on our new careers virtual events platform <u>Handshake</u>.

To take part, you'll first need to activate your Handshake profile if you haven't already and then register for talks and panels sessions.

You can also pre-book one-to-one sessions with employer representatives.

Find out more >

Supporting Black, Asian and minority ethnic students

We've just launched a new webpage which pulls together all the services, resources and opportunities, designed specifically for Black, Asian and minority ethnic students.

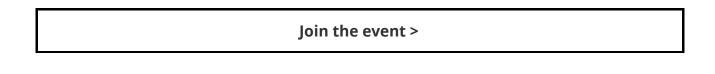
From our brilliant Equity programme, to the exciting work that takes place in our Students' Union and societies, there's lots to get involved with to enhance your student experience and ensure you feel supported throughout your academic career and beyond.

Celebrating Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic Excellence

The award-winning <u>Equity</u> programme is aimed at providing personal and professional development opportunities for Black, Asian and minority ethnic (BAME) students.

Equity are thrilled to introduce their final event of the term, 'Celebrating Black, Asian Minority Ethnic Excellence' on **Thursday 29 April** from **18:00 - 20:00**.

Please note this event is open to all BAME students and professionals.





The <u>City Nature Challenge</u> is back, and they need your help to record the nature that is thriving in <u>Gloucestershire</u>, <u>Bristol and Bath city region</u> and beyond.

This global challenge is taking place across the UK over the Bank holiday between **Friday 30 April** and **Tuesday 4 May**. It's a chance for anyone to contribute to a worldwide study of trees, plants and wildlife, helping to shape conservation efforts, support scientific research developments and land management.

You don't have to be an expert to take part, simply download the <u>iNaturalist app</u>, take a photograph of nature, whether that's a tree, plant, animal or insect, and upload.

Bristol Bears: Bear all podcast

Hosted by Jake Armstrong and Jake Woolmore, 'Bear All' welcomes stars from of Bristol Bears Rugby Club to discuss everything...except rugby.

In the most recent episode, the two Jake's talk to Fijian players, Semi Radradra, Siva Naulago and Nathan Hughes, about life experiences and what it's like back in Fiji.

Listen now >

The Red Print: Your wellness podcast

The Red Print is a weekly youtube series hosted by Daanish (Level Two Business & Management student rep), Rachel (Business & Management programme tutor) and Neil (Business & Management programme leader).

Each episode deals with a different wellness issue that students might be experiencing in 2021 - including practical tips on how to deal with pressure, manage anxiety and keeping motivated.

Watch now >





What's on

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RUN IN THE BY-ELECTIONS!

Do you want to make a difference at UWE Bristol? Run in the By-Elections and help bring about positive change during your time at university!

We have five posts up for grabs, including the BME, LGBT+, Men's Welfare, Trans Welfare, and Democratic Procedures Officer. All roles are part-time and can be done around your studies. As a part-officer, you'll work with The Students' Union on a range of campaigns and will have the chance to liaise with the Presidents Team.

Working as a part-time officer is an opportunity to learn more about The Students' Union and how the organisation works and is also a chance to enhance your CV.

Nominations close at midday on **Wednesday 28 April**, so have a look at the roles and get involved!

Learn more >



AWARDS SEASON IS NEARLY HERE

We'll be celebrating our societies, sports clubs, students and staff who've gone the extra mile at this year's Sports, Society, and Student Experience Awards.

This year hasn't been easy and we're so proud of how our sports clubs, societies, and student reps have adapted to all of the changes. All of the awards are free to attend and will be taking place virtually. We know the virtual fatigue is real at the moment but we want everyone who's been involved to come along and cheer on this year's winners.

Whether you tune in from your garden with five of your friends or bring the party to your living room (for hopefully one last time), come along to the awards, and let's celebrate!

Find our more using the link below and come along to support your fellow students!

Find out more >

BECOME A LEAD DEPARTMENT REP

Do you want work for The Students' Union, represent your department and get PAID for it? Become a Lead Department Rep and help make a difference in your department.

As a Lead Department Rep, you will work to represent those within your department and improve their student experience. We have positions across all departments and schools and are looking for engaged students who want to make a difference at UWE Bristol.

Click on the link below and then type 'Department rep' into the keyword search and apply for your department vacancy.

Apply here >

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Dynamic content

Level 3



Complete the National Student Survey

www.thestudentsurvey.com



The National Student Survey is your chance to tell us what you think of your course and help us improve the experience of future students.

<u>Complete the survey now ></u>

Careers Springboard sessions

We are delighted to tell you about UWE Careers' brand-new workshop series, <u>Springboard</u>.

This programme is designed to address some of the concerns and misconceptions experienced by final year undergraduates and post-graduates, providing strategies for managing their motivation and expectations in relation to post- university life.

The programme will be delivered between the **Monday 3 May** and **Tuesday 11 June** and will comprise of live sessions, a-synchronous learning and Career Cafes for open discussion and questions.

Book now >



Register for a postgraduate virtual open day

At UWE Bristol we make postgraduate study happen. Through our real-world connections, excellent teaching and research, learning facilities and support network, we'll help you to achieve your goals.

Whether you want to accelerate your career, start something new or enhance your subject knowledge, now is the time to make your move. Explore the options at our up-coming postgraduate virtual open day.

Meet academics and find out about funding options on offer, including our <u>Alumni</u> <u>discounts</u> and <u>Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships</u>.

Register now >

International students

Events at the Global Centre

Academic writing workshop

<u>Join</u> the library team for their 'Tenses in academic writing' workshop at **13:00** on **Wednesday 21 April.**

This session looks at the three most common verb tenses in written academic English, when they are used and provides an opportunity to practise using these.

Social slice

<u>Register now</u> to enjoy a FREE hot drink and some cake on **Friday 23 April** at **11:00** with our Global centre team and Global Buddies.

This is an opportunity to share your cultural experience, practise your information English speaking skills and spend time with more people!

We can guarantee a safe setting to socialise, and the opportunity to meet new friends.

Global cafe: Bristol special

Want to know what makes Bristol so great? It's more than just boats, bridges and balloons, you know!

Join us on **Thursday 29 April** at **14:30** to find out the most interesting and unexpected places in Bristol, shared from the current students.

EU settlement scheme

If you're an EU citizen and were living in the UK by 31 December 2020, now is the time to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme.

You could lose your rights to live and work in the UK if you don't apply by the deadline (Wednesday 30 June 2021) so <u>complete your application</u> online today,

There's lots of support available if you have any questions.