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Campuses remain open, update on face masks, online events

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This is yourUWE Bristol.

Campuses to remain open during lockdown

As we're sure you're aware, England will be entering a four-week lockdown beginning on Thursday 5 November.

UWE Bristol will remain open throughout and there won't be any change to how teaching is delivered.

We'll continue to use the same blended approach of online and face-to-face teaching that has been in place since the beginning of the term. Rest assured, there is no evidence of any significant spread of the virus happening within Covid-secure campus settings. Instead, the risk is highly linked to mixing in social settings, which will be very limited during the lockdown.

You are expected to continue to engage with your timetabled activities and not move out of your term-time residencies. The Minister and Government stress the importance for you not to travel away from the area over the next four weeks. Leaving the area may mean you miss face-to-face activities that could impact your studies.

As we get more information, we'll update the [Coronavirus guidance webpages](#).

The Students' Union is also [here for you](#) over the next few weeks.

Cover your face indoors

Over the summer staff worked incredibly hard to ensure our campuses are Covid-secure so you're safe as you study.

Now we're introducing a new measure to add an additional level of assurance for all students and staff: **you're now required to wear a face covering/mask inside all of our campus buildings** including teaching rooms, laboratory, skills and IT labs, unless medically exempt.

[View the latest guidance >](#)

Are you self-isolating? Support is available

If you need to self-isolate because you or one of your housemates has coronavirus symptoms, you can contact the Covid Support Team on 0117 32 87000 if you need anything - even if you don't have coronavirus symptoms yourself. They're available 09:00-19:00, every day.

Take a look at our [University life in self-isolation](#) for tips on staying well in self-isolation and our [range of health and wellbeing support services](#).

[University life in self-isolation >](#)

Campus life

See how [our libraries have been adapted](#) to be Covid-secure for your use. View all the campus [catering outlets online](#) (PDF) open on campus - some of which are new for this year!

Tell us...

We want to help you and to do that, you need to tell us if you need any help or have any concerns. Here are some ways to do that:

Ask us a question via our [self-help forms](#) or the [Information Point](#)
Share any academic worries with a [Student Support Adviser](#)
Make use of our range of [wellbeing support](#)
Report your technical issues to the [IT helpdesk](#)
Enquire about the library via [Ask a Librarian](#)
Share course feedback through your [Student Reps](#)
Report inappropriate behaviour to [Report and Support](#)

Planning, writing and editing your work

The Library team offer a range of writing guidance, an assignment planner and a personalised schedule to help you with your assignments.

[Take a look >](#)

Our Academic Regulations have changed

We've made a couple of significant changes to our regulations – capping for resits and retakes has now been removed and, as a result, the missed assessments process has been discontinued.

[View the changes >](#)



Cyber Security Awareness

How strong are your passwords? Would you know a phishing email if you saw one? Immerse yourself in a range of [free, fun and interactive activities](#) this week to keep you, your data and your devices safe from cyber-crime.

Green Week

Climate action for 2020



Join us next week for our annual festival of all things green, eco and earth-loving.

Find out about our sustainability plans for 2030 from [Professor Jim Longhurst](#). Feel anxious about the future of our planet? Come and share in our [virtual climate café](#).

[View the week's events >](#)

Upcoming events

Learn from business leaders

Join the Bristol Distinguished Address Series to learn from business leaders all from the comfort of your own home.

This week we have Doug and Mary Perkins, Founders of Specsavers and next week the CEO of Bonnier Books UK, Perminder Mann.

[Book your place >](#)

Exclusive insight into the Bristol scene

Whatever else you have planned, don't miss The Bristol Takeaway at 14:00 on Wednesday!

Organised by Bristol24/7 and broadcast on Facebook Live, it will be a fun introduction to one of the most exciting and fastest growing cities in the world.

Get exclusive insight into the music, nightlife, fashion, street art, food and lifestyle, and a ton of exclusive offers including free pints in local pubs (for when they open again, that is!).

[Book your free place >](#)

Babbasa TV

[Babbasa TV](#) is all about giving you the chance to have your voice while hearing from some amazing professionals and leaders from around Bristol.

Next up is 'Why do we need to be leaders right now?' at 17:00 on **Thursday 12 November**, with 'How have stereotypes impacted in your education?' at 17:00 on **Thursday 26 November**.

Both sessions will be followed by online discussions for BAME UWE Bristol students to provide a safe space to discuss relevant issues based on lived experiences.

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Design the UWE Bristol Christmas card and win £250

We're running a design competition open to all UWE Bristol students, staff and alumni to design this year's Christmas card. The design should incorporate either an element of UWE Bristol or the Bristol area.

The winning design will be sent out electronically to all our supporters and partners across the world, used on our website and across our social media accounts.

[How to enter >](#)



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IT'S OK NOT TO BE OK

Your wellbeing is our priority, and we want to make sure that you are aware of the support services available to you throughout your time at UWE Bristol.

We've got our 24/7 hour Crisis Text line Service, which offers crisis support to UWE Bristol students across the UK. If in distress, UWE Bristol students can text 'UWE' to 85258. All texts are answered by trained volunteers, with support from experienced clinical supervisors.

There's also The Students' Union Advice Centre, which offers free and confidential advice on a range of issues including

UWE ZINE: CALL FOR CONTENT

I'm teaming up with the UWE Bristol Library to run a UWE Zine call out. A zine is a self-published, non-commercial print-work, which is typically produced in small and limited batches. An exact definition of a zine is hard to define—but that's what makes them great: they are a mash-up of art, letters, stories and emotion.

The theme for this zine is 'Decolonising the UWE Curriculum' and we are looking for creative pieces from students around stories, comments and views on diversity at UWE Bristol and beyond. The zine can touch on a variety of topics, from music

academic, housing and financial queries.

UWE Bristol also has a range of services including the University Chaplain, the out-of-hours team, and online counselling.

If you're in need of support, please reach out to us and don't suffer in silence.

[Wellbeing support](#)

and art to politics or a personal memoir, this is your chance to get creative. There is one prize of £500 and two £250 prizes, we'll pick the winners at random from a hat. If you would like any further information, come along to our panel sessions on the Wednesday 18 November at 14:30 and Wednesday 2 December at 15:30.

[UWE Zine](#)

COMPLETE THE NUS SKILLS SURVEY

The NUS Skills Survey has launched, and we want to hear from you! This survey is a chance for you to give feedback on your time at UWE Bristol and let us know if you feel that you have developed skills that will help equip you for employment after university. It should take about 15 minutes to complete and is confidential.

Everyone who completes the survey will also be entered into a draw to win £500 or one of the 10 runner-up prizes of £50. The survey closes on Sunday 15 November, so hit the link and have your say!

[Complete the survey](#)

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Dynamic content

Students on campus

Are you self-isolating? We'll call you to check you're ok

If you need to self-isolate because you or one of your flatmates has coronavirus symptoms, we'll call you once a week to check in, make sure you're OK and are managing to keep up with your studies. This may be a call from a 'no caller ID' or withheld number. We'll leave a message if you don't answer, but we think it's important to keep in touch with one another.

You can of course still contact the Covid Support Team on 0117 32 87000 if you need anything - even if you don't have coronavirus symptoms. They're available 09:00-19:00, every day.

Take a look at our [self-isolation in accommodation guidance](#) for tips on staying well in self-isolation and our [range of health and wellbeing support services](#).

[University life in self-isolation >](#)

Level 0 and 1

Spotted PAL in your timetable - but not sure what it is?

PAL stands for [Peer Assisted Learning](#) and is our student-to-student support scheme.

PAL helps you better engage with your course and connect with your peers. Attending your online PAL session on a weekly basis will also help you increase your academic confidence and resilience as well as develop good study habits.

Online PAL sessions are normally run by second and third year students, who have been where you are now.

[How PAL can help you in your studies >](#)

Level 1 - 3

Study Abroad applications now open

Study Abroad applications are now open for academic year 2021/22.

Study Abroad gives you the opportunity to grow your professional network, develop language and intercultural communication skills and discover a new perspective on your degree. Places are available at institutions across the world.

[See where you could go >](#)

International students

Watch out for people asking for money on the phone

There's currently a phone scam targeting Chinese students in the UK.

What is the nature of the scam?

It involves a student being contacted by someone reporting to be from Chinese authorities. They tell you that you've been identified as being involved in a crime in China and that you're going to be arrested. They then request a large sum of money to prevent further action being taken. False official identification and reports are used to convince you that this is genuine.

What should you do if you receive such a call?

If you receive such a call, seek urgent advice from a trusted person and [contact us](#).

EU and overseas students

Events and opportunities for international students

Missed orientation?

Watch our previous webinars again to refresh yourself on a variety of topics - like a welcome to Bristol, looking for accommodation, money matters and a student panel with current international students.

[Catch up online >](#)

Winter festivals

What is bonfire night in the UK? Do you have any winter firework or fire festivals in your country? Why do we have fire festivals in the northern hemisphere in the winter? Join the conversation at 14:30 this Thursday, 5 November.

[Join online >](#)

Have a question about your visa?

[Book an appointment](#) to speak to one of our Immigration Advisers, who will be available to answer any visa queries you may have throughout the week.

The team are also running webinar sessions for preparing for visa applications, and working during/after your studies - book your place via [Infohub events](#).

Want to be an international student ambassador?

The #WeAreInternational student ambassador programme is an education policy and leadership development scheme for exceptional individuals from around the world who are currently studying in the UK.

This is an exciting opportunity for international students to join the programme, lead the award-winning #WeAreInternational campaign, represent international students' voices with various training and development sessions, and receive exclusive access to mentorships, events, and conferences.

[Apply by Tuesday 10 November >](#)

Students who are not fully registered

Online registration closes next Monday

Please register online by Monday otherwise you may lose access to your teaching timetable and be withdrawn from your course.

[Complete your registration >](#)

Students who've not provided a term time address

Have you added a term time address to myUWE?

Head to the Personal Details tab in myUWE. If your home and term time address are the same, please duplicate your address.

Have trouble adding an address?

Please complete our [personal details form](#) and a member of the Information Point team will update your record for you.

[Log in to myUWE >](#)

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