This fortnightly email, sent to all University of Sussex staff and postgraduate researchers, shares updates about our Sussex community.



Thursday 9 November 2023



Inclusive leadership tops the agenda at 'In Conversation with' event

We welcomed inclusive leadership specialists Lela Kogbara and Jane Farrell to discuss marginalised identities at work and the extent to which equality,

diversity and inclusion is compatible with profit-driven organisations in a recent panel with Sussex staff. <u>Read more and view the replay</u>.



Curious about Curriculum Reimagined?

Watch this new video with Claire Smith, Deputy Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Education and Innovation) to find out about the project and hear why we are looking at bringing positive changes to the curriculum for students and staff.



Open Research Technologies Hub launch Join the launch event on 14 November to hear how the Hub will help us promote Open Research practices and make sure the products of our research are open and accessible to people around the world. Read more about the Hub.

Inclusive Sussex



Brighton & Hove's Black history <u>Three new creative projects</u> reflecting on the legacies of the transatlantic slave trade are being unveiled across Brighton & Hove in November. The University is a part of the Brighton & Hove Culture Alliance which supports the projects including a new landmark mural, talks and performances as part of a free family day on Saturday 11 November, and an augmented reality walking tour.

Islamophobia Awareness Month

<u>Islamophobia Awareness Month</u> aims to challenge stereotypes about Islam and Muslims, encourage reporting of Islamophobic incidents and break down barriers between communities. Find out about support available for Muslim staff and students.

Sussex Law School works with GRT communities

<u>Sussex Law School has reached out to local Gypsy, Roma and Traveller</u> <u>communities</u> as part of their undergraduate module offer, embracing the aims of our GTRSB Pledge. The School is working with young people from these communities to support them to reconsider and understand law from their own perspective.

Building bridges on 15 November

<u>Book your place</u> to hear writer and activist Chris Stedman in conversation with James Croft, Lead Chaplain, from 7pm-8.30pm discussing whether believers,

non-believers and everyone in between can find shared values. Chris will also be running an interfaith dialogue workshop from 1pm-3pm.



Crip Camp screening

Disability History Month begins on 16 November and this year's theme is Disability, Children and Youth. David Ruebain is hosting a screening of the award-winning documentary *Crip Camp* on Wednesday 29 November from 12.30pm-2pm. The film documents experiences at a revolutionary summer camp in 1970s America that helped create a new path towards equality for disabled people. Free popcorn and soft drinks will be provided. <u>Book your place</u>.

The Equality Act 2010 - what is a disability? webinar

<u>The Staff Disability Network is partnering</u> with the Business Disability Forum to host a webinar on Wednesday 15 November from 10am-11am exploring the definition of disability. Part of the Disability History Month series, the session will outline employer responsibility surrounding the Equality Act 2010 and workplace adjustments.

Access to Work workshop

This on-campus seminar on Wednesday 22 November from 12.30pm-1.30pm

will look at the government-funded Access to Work scheme which aims to minimise barriers and maximise potential for employees in the workplace. The seminar, which is part of the Disability History Month series, is for leaders, line managers, HR professionals and any staff with an interest in this area.

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First Hella Pick lecture celebrates women in journalism <u>Issues faced by female journalists,</u> including online abuse and barriers to career progress, were discussed at a recent event supported by the University in celebration of former *Guardian* journalist, Hella Pick CBE.

Free KindFest 2023 tickets for staff

<u>KindFest, the annual online festival of kindness</u> is tomorrow, Friday 10 November, from 1pm-7pm. This year's theme is 'Investing in Kindness' with three areas full of content including music, personal stories and guest appearances. Sussex staff, students and alumni can book free KindFest tickets using the promotional code SUSSUNI01.

Your development

Apprenticeship qualifications at Sussex

<u>Hear from Colin Shipp, Director of HR</u>, about our approach to apprenticeship qualifications and funding available to support the development and retention of staff. We support a learning culture in which staff have the tools, skills and confidence for success and career progression.

Our community



Institute of Development Studies Annual Lecture with Karuna Nundy

On Tuesday 14 November from 4pm-5.30pm, Karuna Nundy, who was named one of Time Magazine's 100 most influential people in the world (2022-2023), will reflect on how patriarchal laws have travelled across the globe alongside colonialism. Karuna will also discuss how women's activism comes into conflict with the law, and the broader challenges facing gender rights defenders today. <u>Book your place</u>.

Remembrance Day 2023

<u>On Saturday 11 November at 10.45am</u>, the Chaplaincy will be holding a brief Ceremony of Remembrance at the Meeting House to commemorate the service and sacrifice of the armed forces who have died in the line of duty.

<u>Services are being held across Brighton & Hove</u> to mark this year's Remembrance Day.



Helen Cammock in conversation Don't miss the opportunity to hear artist and Sussex alumna Helen Cammock, joint winner of the 2019 Turner Prize, discussing her work on campus on Monday 20 November from 6.30pm. Staff can book £3 concession-priced tickets. The University of Sussex is the Education Partner for the Turner Prize 2023 at Towner Eastbourne.

Curating the Turner Prize event

<u>Noelle Collins, Dr Sarah James and Hammad Nasar</u> talk about their experiences curating the Turner Prize with Dr Francesco Ventrella, Senior Lecturer in Art History at Sussex on Wednesday 22 November from 6.30pm. Staff can book £3 concession-priced tickets.

Research



Climate change and migration in focus World-leading authority Professor Mary Waters, from Harvard University, delivered the keynote speech at the 10th annual conference of the Sussex Centre for Migration Research last month.

Rethinking Global Health - call for abstracts

<u>Global Health is one of the growing areas of research strength</u> within Brighton and Sussex Medical School. The School is organising a symposium which will gather perspectives on decolonising global health and is calling on Early Career Researchers to submit abstracts by 15 January 2024.



<u>Our next door neighbour Stanmer Park</u> will be hosting The Brighton Lights, an immersive winter light show created by local artists, from 15 - 23 December. Celebrating community, family and all things festive, the experience will also offer live music and local food and drink.

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Our next edition will be on Thursday 23 November.

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