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This is Sussex

Our news, our stories, our people Friday 28 October 2022



<u>University of Sussex rides high in new world sustainability rankings</u>



Our community Book now for PS: Bigger Picture <u>next Wednesday</u>



Student Update <u>Sustainability, Hardship Fund</u> <u>uplift and more...</u>

Staff survey



Thank you to all of you who shared your thoughts in our autumn pulse survey which closed on 21 October. Each response helps us understand how colleagues feel about working at Sussex, and by sharing your views you help us continue to make positive change. <u>What's next</u>?

Your wellbeing



Sussexfood recently introduced a range of hot and nutritious <u>meals for</u> <u>less than £5</u> - including porridge for £1.50 and soup for £2.40. Eat Central is located on the ground floor of Bramber House and open from 9am till 7pm.



Sussex recently attained accreditation as a Living Wage Employer and <u>introduced</u> the new rate of £10.90/hour rate early to support staff with the cost of living crisis. <u>Read more</u> about the changes to spinal pay points.



Take action to review your finances and receive impartial and straightforward information about your pension. Book on a free <u>Pension</u> <u>Awareness Week webinar</u> taking place 31 October – 4 November.



Wednesday 2 November is Stress Awareness Day. With this in mind, please take some time to read about the <u>wellbeing events taking place this</u> <u>term</u> and take action to benefit your mental and physical health.

Don't miss out



The 2022 Festival of Social Science, which runs until 13 November, is an annual celebration of research and knowledge about humans and society. Read about the Sussex events: <u>Digital levelling-up in Sussex; A</u> <u>Social Itch</u>; and <u>An Uncertain World /</u> <u>Healing Massai Lands</u>.



'Liberation and Storytelling' is the theme for our first <u>Inclusive Sussex: In</u> <u>Conversation event</u> at the ACCA on 1 November - featuring Dan Gillespie Sells, front person of The Feeling. A few spaces are still available.



Book your place at David Ruebain's inaugural Professorial Lecture which will explore what is needed to transform organisations and society to achieve inclusion. The free event, followed by a drinks reception, will be held at the ACCA on 8 November.



Book now for the 16 November Pedagogic Revolution workshop: cocreation in the curriculum. Help empower and engage your students while developing a collaborative environment that reflects the diversity of your learning community.

Sustainable Sussex



The University is currently developing a sustainable business travel policy which aims to reduce the environmental impact of our business travel to meet our net-zero carbon emissions target. Please help us with this by taking five minutes to complete this <u>survey</u>.

Focus on feedback

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- <u>Guidance for students on</u> accessing their marks and <u>feedback</u>
- <u>The importance of marking</u>
 <u>criteria and rubrics</u>

ACCA

Use your staff concession rate for these ACCA events:



Live music - Saturday 29 October 2022 | 8pm

Keeley Forsyth (with support from Matthew Bourne)



Lunchtime concert - Wednesday 2 November 2022 | 2.15pm

Joseph Houston and Sarah Saviet (organised by Music at Sussex)

Our community

We recently heard the sad news that former faculty members Emeritus Professor Gabriel Barton, theoretical physicist, and Professor James Byrne, Emeritus Professor of Physics and Astronomy, have both recently passed away. <u>Professor Barton's obituary</u> is available on the Staff Hub, Professor Byrne's will follow.

Must-read research and other campus news

Student experience

University support for students affected by rising cost of living

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Teaching Excellence Framework launched

Media, Arts and Humanities <u>Full Stack Feminism Project – call for artists</u>

Data protection Working with records and the records management cycle – a flowchart guide

Transport Campus works impacting roads, access and transport

Other recent staff news

Coming up

<u>The Role of a Committee Secretary: Managing meetings at Sussex</u> 28 October 14:00 until 14:00

Free Outdoor Cinema Fright Night With SussexFood 31 October 16:30 until 21:00

How to Delegate Effectively

1 November 10:00 until 11:30

Seminar: Democracy and climate action

1 November 13:00 until 14:00

Effective Skills for Mentors 2 November 10:30 until 12:15

Lunchtime screening: The Silent Child 15 November 12:00 until 14:00

Pedagogic Revolution workshop: co-creation in the curriculum 16 November 13:00 until 16:00

Founding Historians Lecture: 'Voices from the Classroom - The Experience of Universal Secondary Education in the UK since 1945' 23 November 17:30 until 18:30

Other University events

Snapshot



Worthing lobster boat

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