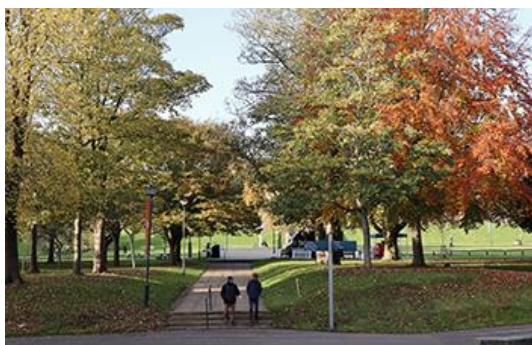


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This week at Sussex

Monday 13 November 2023



VC Reflections

[Latest update from Professor Sasha Roseneil](#) including a survey to share your thoughts on the development of the new strategy - Sussex 2035.



Sustainability report reveals significant progress at Sussex

[The University is ranked in the UK top 10](#) for progress on UN Sustainable Development Goals.





Student update

[The most recent student update](#)

includes information about improving the use of space on campus, the annual Big Ideas Contest, the Society Taster Fair, and celebrating Diwali on campus.

Creating a Better Campus

New competitive tender process for campus facilities management services

[The University has formally launched the first stage](#) of the competitive tender process, which will determine the suitability, capability, and financial stability of any potential supplier.

Your wellbeing

Covid vaccinations on campus tomorrow

[If you are eligible for a vaccine or a booster](#) then you can drop by the Mobile Vaccination Unit outside the Attenborough Centre on Tuesday 14 November from 10.30am-2.30pm.

Free Covid lateral flow tests for University staff

Staff are welcome to pay for their tests and then reclaim the cost of up to two packs (typically containing seven individual tests) from the University through expenses.

Free flu vaccinations for University staff

The easiest option is to contact the independent University pharmacy located near the Student Centre using their online booking form, calling 01273 699883, or dropping in to arrange an appointment.

Don't miss out

Diwali takeover at The Veg Bowl

The Veg Bowl, Arts C | Monday 13 November | 12 noon-2pm

Help celebrate the the Hindu Festival of Light with a special Baba Thali menu of Indian treats, a feast of Dal bowls and loaded chaat.

Menopause Awareness for Managers

Meeting House | Monday 13 November | 1pm-2.30pm

With a growing number of people going through the menopause transition experiencing symptoms so severe that they leave the workplace, all managers should understand the impact that symptoms can have, and know how to support their colleagues.

Join an Open Listening workshop this week

Open Listening workshops offer a safe environment to develop your capacity to participate in inclusive conversations, speak about your own experiences and allow different perspectives. Register now for these in-person events between Tuesday 14 November and Tuesday 21 November.

Inter Faith Dialogue workshop

Meeting House | Wednesday 15 November | 1pm-3pm

At a time when religious differences are tearing us apart, learn how to facilitate dialogue between people of different beliefs and identities. Join Chris Stedman, inter faith activist and teacher at Augsburg University's Department of Religion and Philosophy, to learn the skills necessary to bring people together for productive discussion and relationship development.



Building bridges between believers, nonbelievers, and everyone in between

Meeting House | Wednesday

15 November | 7pm-8.30pm

Professor, author, and activist Chris Stedman will share his story of seeking common ground with the religious as an atheist. Then, in conversation with Sussex Lead Chaplain James Croft, he'll discuss

what theists and nontheists can gain from dialogue.

Register now for PS Bigger Picture

[Fulton B / online | Thursday 16 November 2023 | 11.30am-12.30pm](#)

The next PS Bigger Picture event for Professional Services staff, with Tim Westlake and members of the Professional Services leadership team, will be held in-person in the Fulton B Lecture Theatre and livestreamed for a remote audience.

Men's Health Month webinar with Heales

[Online | Thursday 16 November | 10.30am-12 noon](#)

Hear about some of the top concerns in men's health including sperm health, testicular and prostate cancer, heart disease, diabetes, mental health as well sleep and general wellbeing.

Sussex in the media

Key stories from the past week

- [Freddie Daley was quoted](#) in this article looking at the impact of extreme weather on the UK'S grassroots sporting infrastructure. Saturday 4 November, *Sports Gazette*
- [Professor Michael Gasiorek](#) is quoted in *The New European* concerning food shortages in post-Brexit Britain. He

predicts that things are set to get even worse for the UK's supplies.
Monday 6 November, *The New European*

- [Dr Angela Baron was interviewed](#) on *BBC Radio Wales* talking about the planned legislative changes to strike action to ensure a minimum service for rail services in particular. Tuesday 7 November, *BBC Radio Wales*

Sussex on social



Do you love film?

[The ACCA is one of the hosts of this year's Brighton Film Festival](#), running from Friday 10 November to Sunday 19 November. Come on down to the ACCA and make the most of amazing film experiences right on your doorstep.

Community conversations

Did you know you can join a number of University social networks on Viva Engage, and find out more about what interests you?

- [Join the Foodie Forum](#) and give your views about [Food at Sussex](#).

- [See the article about](#) the Student Centre's design being recognised as leading example of flexibility, inclusivity and sustainability in the [Creating a Better Campus](#) community.
- Check out the news on our Capital Programme projects in the latest issue of the [Transforming Sussex newsletter](#).

Why not join a community and make your first post?

Other important news

Transport update

[Find out information about access to Refectory Road](#), new December train timetables, and the re-opening of the Science Park Road bus stop.

University of Sussex Open Research Technologies Hub launch

[The new hub, which is launching on Tuesday 14 November](#), will help to implement Open Research practices across campus, building capacity and skills, training for Sussex staff and students, and hosting interdisciplinary research projects.

Work with our Student Ambassadors

[The UK Recruitment team currently manages around 100 student ambassadors](#) who you can hire for on-campus and online events, digital campaigns and content creation, focus groups, and campus tours.

Sussexsport group fitness classes this autumn

[A huge variety of group fitness classes are on offer](#) for staff this term, including: Small Group Training and Small Group Strength; Yoga; Body Conditioning; Indoor Group Cycle; and Metabolic strength training.

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If you would like to include something in the newsletter please submit this to internalcomms@sussex.ac.uk by 2.00pm the preceding Thursday.

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