This weekly email, sent to all University of Sussex staff, contains important news, as well as events and actions for the week ahead.



This week at Sussex



Sussex ranked among global elite of sustainable universities

For the third consecutive year, Sussex has been ranked in the top 50 universities in the world for sustainability.

Monday 5 June 2023



UCU Sussex Executive Committee and the Vice-Chancellor statement

<u>Read the joint statement regarding the</u> <u>ongoing industrial action</u> around national pay and working conditions.

Professor Kelly Coate

Professor Kelly Coate to leave Sussex

<u>Professor Kelly Coate, who joined Sussex in 2018</u>, will take up a new role in September as Deputy Vice-Chancellor at Richmond American University in London.

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Student update

<u>The most recent student</u> <u>update</u> includes information on getting a refund on your TV licence, donating unwanted items, and a chance to win a folding electric bike.

Transforming Sussex

New Transforming Sussex newsletter

<u>View the first new-look newsletter on the projects and transformations</u> that are taking place across the University, all of which contribute to achieving our vision of Sussex being a better University for a better world. <u>Sign up today to keep up to</u> <u>date with the projects</u>.

Our community

Sussex signs up to the Gypsy, Traveller, Roma, Showman and Boater (GTRSB) Pledge

<u>Sussex has signed up to the GTRSB Pledge</u> which aims to create an open and welcoming environment within higher education where members of the GTRSB communities can be confident that their culture and learning needs are understood. To mark GRT (Gypsy, Roma and Traveller) History Month this month, the GRT flag is flying at Sussex House and we'll be hosting and supporting a number of traveller events and activities.

Carers Week (5 June until 11 June)

In this year's Carers Week, check out the support available for staff with caring responsibilities and get involved in the series of events happening as part of the campaign.

House a Sussex student: drop-in session

<u>Come along to chat with a Housing Officer if you're interested in renting a room</u> to an exchange student for at least one semester. This is a great way of generating extra income and the arrangements can be flexible to meet your preferences.

Don't miss out

SussexDocFest: Excursions 10-Year Anniversary Art Exhibition

Library | Monday 5 June | 5pm until 8pm

Join a special event commemorating the 10-year anniversary of *Excursions Journal*, a Sussex-based journal showcasing postgraduate research. We've commissioned 13 local artists to create artworks representing journal themes from the past decade. This is part of a series of events organised by Sussex Doc Fest.

Conference in honour of Professor Michael Lipton

Jubilee lecture theatre | Friday 9 June | 9am until 12 noon

Join this conference, organised by the Business School and the Institute of Development Studies, which will celebrate the outstanding contributions that Professor Lipton made to the University and the work he inspired.

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Outside/rs 2023 postgraduate & community conference

Conference Centre | Friday 9 June until Sunday 11 June | 2pm until 6pm

Come along the Outside/rs 2023 conference, funded by the School of Media, Arts and Humanities and the University of Brighton. The theme of this year's conference is '*Solidarity With/In the Community*'.

Queering Higher Education: Troubling norms in the global knowledge economy

Hybrid | Monday 5 June | 4pm until 7pm

Join this book launch hosted by the Centre for Higher Education and Equity Research (CHEER). The book, written by Sussex Emeritus Professor Louise Morley and Dr Daniel Leyton, offers an urgent theoretical analysis of the global knowledge economy using queer perspectivism.

Sustainable Sussex

Bike Week 2023: Get cycling for the chance to win with EcoGo

EcoGo users can join in Bike Week 2023 from 5 June until 11 June, and get cycling for the chance to win a grand prize giveaway of a folding electric Batribike worth £1,300.

Where are the showers on campus?

<u>If you cycle to work or exercise on campus</u>, it's worthwhile familiarising yourself with the locations of the showers in non-residential buildings at Sussex.

Sussexsport

Staff active lunch run

Falmer Sports Complex | Thursday 8 June | 12 noon until 1pm

Join Sussexports in this gentle lunch run in the local area which will be suitable

for all abilities. Don't miss out on the <u>Active Staff sports classes to help you keep</u> <u>active during the summer</u> for a small fee.

Sussex in the media

Key stories from the past week

- <u>This machine makes you hallucinate</u> article on the Dreamachine project -Wired, Monday 29 May
- Moths are more effective pollinators than bees Sky News, Wednesday 31
 May starts at 21 mins 15 secs
- <u>Brighton Festival highlights the joy of shared experiences</u> the Brighton Magazine, Friday 2 June

Sussex on social



Inclusive Sussex: In Conversation With event highlights

Watch this video of Digital Media <u>Creator Accalia Plummer</u> asking Professor Tom Shakespeare and panellists Professor David Ruebain, Dr Hadeer Elshafie and Dr Hannah Mason-Bish what inclusion means to them.

Other important news

HESA Data Futures project scores early success

<u>The HESA Data Futures project team and contributors</u> have successfully submitted the first interim submission of 2023 student data to the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA). The data submission, which is used to measure Sussex against other universities, affecting funding and institutional reputation, is of vital importance to the University.

Transport update

<u>Read this week's transport update</u> which includes information about upcoming rail strikes, cheap bus fares, and work on campus roads.

Contact us

This week at Sussex is issued at the start of every working week. If you would like to include something in the newsletter please submit this to <u>internalcomms@sussex.ac.uk</u> by 2pm the preceding Thursday.

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