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This week at Sussex

Monday 6 November 2023



First-of-its-kind quantum technology degree launched

<u>The degree programme aims to tackle</u> <u>the current graduate skills shortage</u> identified by the emerging British quantum industry sector.



Sussex in discussions with Eastern Academic Research Consortium

Eastern Arc facilitates collaborations, develops a positive and creative research culture, and advocates on behalf of its members.



Student update

The most recent student update

includes information about our Centres of Excellence, driving progress for our planet and its people, how to win a £1,000 Santander Brighter Future Grant, in support of studies, and ACCA's free Black at Sussex photography exhibition.

Research with Impact



Research with Impact Forum, Wednesday 8 November

Online | Wednesday 8 November

2.30pm-4pm

Find out about training, support and networks available to those interested in exploring commercialisation opportunities from their research and studies.

Don't miss out

Abdulrazak Gurnah in conversation with Minoli Salgado

ACCA | Tuesday 7 November | 6pm-8pm

All are welcome at the School of Media, Arts and Humanities' Public Lecture, featuring Nobel Prize laureate Abdulrazak Gurnah in conversation with critic and author Minoli Salgado. Tickets free, booking required.



Marina Mahathir in conversation with Sasha Roseneil

ACCA | Wednesday 8 November | 1.30pm-2.30pm

Marina Mahathir is a prominent activist and AIDS advocacy worker in Malaysia. She is also a fearless voice for women's rights, gender equality, religious freedom and justice. Tickets free, booking required.

Sussex Development Lectures: Wellbeing without growth? A new approach to combating global poverty

IDS Convening Space / Zoom | Thursday 9 November | 4.00pm-5.30pm

This lecture will seek to build the argument for the next Development Goals to be agnostic about growth: wellbeing and the realisation of human rights, not increasing the size of the economy, should guide macro-economic policies in the future.

KindFest2023

Online | Friday 10 November | 1.00pm-7.00pm

Co-founded by Professor Robin Banerjee, the theme of this year's annual virtual festival of kindness is 'Investing in Kindness'. Staff, students and alumni can access free tickets using the code SUSSUNI01.

Your development

Training: Working at height

Fulton 112 | Tuesday 7 November | 9.30am-1.30pm

This course covers the use of ladders and steps for University Schools and Divisions. It does not cover scaffolding or other specialised activity.

Building trust and psychological safety in teams

Online | Wednesday 8 November | 10.00am-11.45am

Book now for this workshop giving an introduction to psychological safety and exploring how to create a safe and supportive working environment that fosters trust, inclusion, collaboration and wellbeing within teams.

Coming up

Menopause awareness for managers

Meeting House | Monday 13 November | 1.00pm-2.30pm

This workshop for managers will cover issues like signs and symptoms, how to support colleagues in your role as a line manager, and how to access support and resources available at the University.

Institute of Development Studies annual lecture

IDS Convening Space / Zoom | Tuesday 14 November | 4.00pm-5.30pm

Register now to hear from Karuna Nundy, an Advocate at the Supreme Court of India, who will reflect on how patriarchal laws have travelled across the globe alongside colonialism, and the broader challenges facing gender rights defenders today amid coordinated backlash.

Sussex in the media

Key stories from the past week

- Professor Anil Seth (Engineering and Informatics) shared his views ahead of the AI Safety Summit with BBC Radio 5 Live, explaining that he wants to raise awareness around artificial consciousness. Interview takes place 52 minutes into the broadcast.
- <u>Dr Melissa Lazenby (Global Studies) spoke with *ITV Meridian* on Wednesday
 1 November about what Storm Ciarán tells us about climate change, and how the UK is not ready for future threats.
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- <u>Professor Mark Walters (Law, Politics and Sociology) wrote for The</u>
 <u>Conversation</u>, highlighting how the law on hate crime is 'extraordinarily

complicated' and even the police are expecting the government to clarify it.

Sussex on social



Planned engineering

<u>Sussex alumna Lucy Hughes (Product</u> <u>Design BSc, 2015) and founder of</u> <u>MarinaTex</u>, features in Transport for London's new Engineering Icons Tube Map, alongside names such as Ada Lovelace and Leonardo Da Vinci.

Community conversations

Stay up to date and find out more about what interests you by joining a community on our University social network, Viva Engage (formerly Yammer). Email notifications from the platform <u>can easily be disabled</u>. Some of the chats this week have included:

- Hydroponics use as little as one tenth of the water of traditional horticulture, and our catering partners have just had their <u>first harvest at</u> <u>the Veg Bowl @ Dhaba (Food at Sussex</u>).
- Curious about <u>Curriculum Reimagined</u>? Take a look at our latest video to find out what the project is all about (<u>Transforming Sussex</u>).

• Check out our <u>Campus Travel and Transport community</u> for quick updates on travelling to, from, and around campus.

Why not join a community and make your first post?

Other important news

University improves online jobs page and application

process

<u>The new system will mean that the HR team will be able to better support hiring</u> <u>managers</u> with their recruitment process.

Transport update

<u>Find out information about road closures and disruption on and off campus</u>, the resumption of parking permit enforcement, and the best place to catch a bus during peak periods.

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

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