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This is Sussex

Our news, our stories, our people

Friday 3 February 2023



Our community

[Our new People Strategy is live](#)



Reminder

[Still time to book for the 7 February VC Open Forum](#)



Student update

[The latest on NSS, cost of living and Startup Sussex](#)



Sussex Food

[New Sussex Food ranges for Term Two](#)



Research with Impact

[Register now for 8 February Policy@Sussex showcase](#)

Industrial action



Next week, [industrial action](#) is planned to take place on Thursday 9 February and Friday 10 February. We ask colleagues to complete an [industrial action declaration form](#) to confirm any strike days taken.

You can choose when to declare but all deductions must have been made by the May payroll. The next payroll cut-off date is Friday 10 February.

Check your virus protection



Following a recent cyber security incident, all staff are required to check their [virus protection](#). Other improvements to protect our cyber security will be introduced soon, so please look out for updates.

Cost of living



As part of our cost of living support to staff, we've commissioned some financial awareness webinars to help support colleagues during this continued period of financial stress. Book now for:

[Budgeting and keeping track](#)

Tuesday 7 February 11:00 until 12:00

[Credit, Borrowing and Debt](#)

Thursday 9 February 11:30 until 12:30



To help you protect yourself and others, staff are welcome to purchase Covid-19 Lateral Flow Tests and then [reclaim the cost](#) from the University through expenses.

Read the latest updates about the [cost of living support](#) available to our students.

Inclusive Sussex



Today's (3 February) Rights & Anti-Colonial Justice [book talk](#) covers the Black Atlantic Abolitionist Movement. Taking place in Arts C333 from 15:00-17:00, the event will feature José Lingna Nafafé from the University of Bristol.



The [Black at Sussex: Journeys in Music](#) event on Friday 17 February will centre around music that is politically conscious, uplifting, and connects people and discourses, as well as coalitions across continents and generations. Free with pre-booked ticket | 18:30 | Mandela Hall.



During 2022, as part of the [Digital Holocaust Memory Project](#) colleagues in the Sussex Weidenfeld Institute of Jewish Studies helped co-create recommendations for digital interventions in Holocaust memory and education.



[LGBT+ History Month](#) is celebrated across the UK every February. We're launching an 'LGBT+ Stories at Sussex' project later this month, and flying the Pride flag over Sussex House in February. [Find out](#) how Sussex will be marking the month, and what support is available for staff and students.

Your development



In this week's Organisational Development [update](#), find out about upcoming workshops for current and aspiring managers, and our Mentoring Community of Practice

[session](#) on Wednesday 8 February.



National Apprenticeship Week takes place from 6-12 February and the theme is 'Skills for Life'. Find out about the [range of events](#) that you can attend to learn more about apprenticeships as a means of professional development.



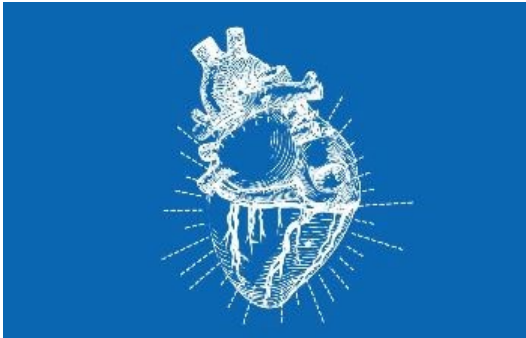
Join us on campus for our [Masters Open Day](#) on Saturday 11 February to find out about where postgraduate study could take you. Sussex staff are entitled to a [20% discount](#) off the standard tuition fees for our full online Masters-level courses.

Sustainable Sussex



Win a free £20 bar tab every Friday until 18 February by downloading BetterPoints, joining EcoGo and completing a baseline survey. Our [EcoGo rewards programme](#) earns you discounts and offers on campus and in Brighton for walking, cycling or taking public transport to campus.

Don't miss out



Join BSMS for their first Valentine's night event since 2020, as their anatomy team explore the scientific wonders of the heart. [Book now](#) as tickets are selling fast. Tuesday 14 February | 18:30 | Komedia, Brighton

Must-read research and other campus news

Psychology

[Get involved in the Sussex Centre for Research on Kindness](#)

Investing in a Better Sussex

[February highlights](#)

Spirit of Sussex Award

[Spotlight: Kirsty Durkan](#)

Engage for Change

[Our partner Zhejiang Gongshang University delivers Chinese Language and Culture course to Sussex students](#)

Student experience

["We were given a lot of autonomy and room for creativity" - Graduate Connector](#)

Business School

[Conflicts of interest in UK food regulation "puts public health at risk" – new research](#)

Educational Enhancement

[Call for participation for the first Education Festival at Sussex](#)

Transport

[Campus works impacting roads, access and transport](#)

[Other recent staff news](#)

Coming up

[Celebrating Neurodiversity Webinar with QA](#)

Monday 6 February 11:00 until 11:45

[How to Delegate Effectively](#)

Thursday 9 February 10:00 until 11:30

[Menopause Awareness for Managers](#)

Thursday 9 February 12:00 until 13:30

[Challenging Conversations Workshop](#)

Thursday 9 February 12:00 until 13:30

Snapshot



Horses sheltering from the wind near the [Jack and Jill windmills](#) near Clayton

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