

Your Connect Newsletter



Welcome to your January edition of the Connect Newsletter.

We hope this finds you, your families and students safe and well. We appreciate at present there is a lot of uncertainty for all involved in supporting and advising students with their university applications. We are closely monitoring the UK government's guidance and want to reassure you and your prospective students, that we are doing everything we can to ensure that our admissions processes are supportive and flexible at this challenging time.

Please don't forget there's still time for your students to apply for a wide range of university courses before the new [29 January UCAS application deadline](#). Take a look at our [course search](#) for details on the wide range of exciting programmes we offer at the University of Southampton.

You won't want to miss this...

Meet the RUSSELL GROUP


10 February


12:00 - 19:00


russellgroup.vfairs.com

[Meet The Russell Group](#)

Join us for the return of Meet the Russell Group on Wednesday 10 February!

Following the success of our October 2020 event, Meet the Russell Group is returning in 2021 with a new collaborative virtual event with all 24 Russell Group Universities. Registrations are now open for our interactive fair; students, teachers and parents will be able to explore virtual booths, download documents, chat directly to staff and ambassadors and take part in live webinars led by university representatives.

Meet the Russell Group is taking place on Wednesday 10 February 2021 from 12:00 - 19:00. We've extended the schedule this year to allow you even more time to explore, we've worked on a new webinar line-up, and each university will have virtual campus tours to explore too. [Book your free place today](#), we can't wait to meet you!

5-14 March
**British
Science
Week
2021**



British Science Week is a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths that will take place between 5-14 March 2021!

[SOTSEF](#)

Southampton Virtual Science and Engineering Festival 2021

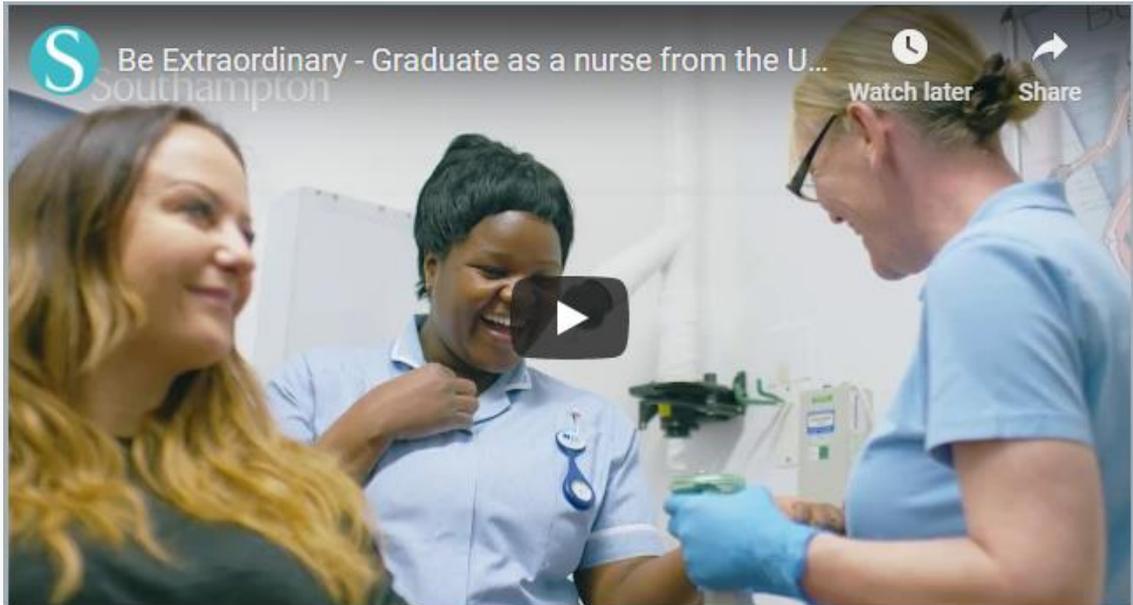
SOTSEF 2021 will take place during British Science Week (5-14 March 2021) - dates are currently being finalised and we will update you shortly, but in the meantime you can access exciting digital content from last year's festival [here!](#)



Parents Webinar

Monday 18 January 2021

Our parents and careers webinar is an opportunity to join the School Liaison and Access teams at University of Southampton as they talk about the value of a degree, student tuition fees and finance. They will also talk about why it's worth applying to University for 2021 and what teaching and learning will look like under the impact of COVID. There will also be plenty of time to ask any questions. Book your place [here!](#)



Mature

Learners

Wednesday

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January

2021

Thinking of studying a Nursing or Health Sciences course at university? Then join our Live Q&A to chat to us about what it's like at Southampton.

This is your opportunity to find out more about applying for and studying at university as mature student and to ask mature students and Jim Bird, Lecturer & Senior Admissions Tutor from Health Sciences, any questions you may have about getting into higher education and university life.

Please register for the event [here!](#)

UCAS

ANNUAL CONFERENCE FOR TEACHERS AND ADVISERS

**UCAS Annual Conference for Teachers and Advisers,
February 2021**

Join us online for this essential programme for anyone advising students on their choices and applying to higher education. You will discover how you can help

improve your students' chances of success, and explore the key issues affecting post-18 progression. Book your place [here!](#)

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EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS TO STUDY MEDICINE

Live webinar

Tuesday 19th January 2021 | 6pm

Do you dream of being a doctor, but don't know where to start?

Join us at a live webinar on Tuesday 19th January. You can find out more about attending our free, 3-day online Widening Participation taster course in April 2021, which will help you explore how you can study medicine.

To find out more visit:

www.southampton.ac.uk/schools-colleges/widening-access-to-medicine-residential.page

 www.facebook.com/unisouthamptonmedicine

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[Widening Access to Medicine Virtual Residential Launch](#)

The Faculty of Medicine is committed to widening the participation of Medicine. There is a free 3 day taster course for Year 12 students on April 12th - 14th, eligibility criteria applies.

Join us on **Tuesday 19th January** for a live [webinar](#) to find out about the taster course and how to apply.

Medical School Applicant Webinars

Are you in sixth form and thinking of studying medicine? Do you want to know more about what medical school interviews might involve?

To book your free place, follow the links below:

[Wednesday 13 January 2021, 12pm-1pm](#)

[Wednesday 20 January 2021, 12pm-1pm](#)

[Thursday 28 January 2021, 12pm-1pm](#)

www.medschools.ac.uk



Southampton Business School Webinars

Southampton's Business School have a number of undergraduate and postgraduate webinars available to view on their YouTube channel [here](#) (took place between July – October 2020) on a variety of topics and subject areas.

Did you know...



Seismic Processing lab

Geophysics Degrees

Geophysics is a broad subject at the intersection of the major sciences, which allows geophysicists to investigate fundamental questions of the Earth system.

Such breadth allows geophysicists to investigate areas such as: the driving forces behind plate tectonics, the evolution of currents within the oceans and atmosphere; and the interactions between the Earth's magnetic field and the solar wind.

Find out more about our Geophysics courses [here!](#)



What is Cardiac Physiology?

Cardiac physiologists work autonomously and as part of multi-disciplinary teams in acute settings. Their actions and interpretations inform critical healthcare decisions and impact on life and death situations.

They work at the very forefront of technological advances aiding the diagnosis and treatment of cardiac conditions. Currently, there are only 5 providers in the UK that offer students the opportunity to study this subject, including the University of Southampton!

Cardiac Physiology is also a great 5th choice option for students that are considering applying to medicine! Find out more [here!](#)



Erasmus scheme update

The UK and University of Southampton are fully committed to the current Erasmus+ program which finishes at the end of the 2021 - 2022 academic year. Outgoing and incoming students will benefit from funding and current partnerships supported by the Erasmus+ program until then. The UK Governments decision to not associate with the new Erasmus+ as part of the Brexit withdrawal agreement does not impact this guarantee.

Southampton is committed to maintaining its European partnerships and student mobility and will be communicating with European partners in the coming weeks to begin the transition of agreements and processes to accommodate the new proposed UK Turing Scheme. Further details of this scheme will be shared in due course.

Link to government article on the above: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-turing-scheme-to-support-thousands-of-students-to-study-and-work-abroad>

Your useful resources...

Advice for applying to study STEM subjects

To help you write a personal statement that will secure your place at your university of choice, our STEM admissions tutors have put together some top tips [here!](#)



Below, you have access to the resources that we have developed for you over the last few months. If there is something you feel we are lacking or you would find useful in addition, you can always let us know!

[Student Subject Videos](#) – after watching these, you really get a sense of what it's like to study at the University of Southampton.

[5 in Five](#) – you'll find these quick and easy to watch videos addressing multiple different IAG topics. We're constantly updating these based on your feedback.

[Webinars](#) - We have an exciting series of live events designed for students who are thinking about applying to and studying at University, that have been created to give you the opportunity to talk to people who work, teach and study at the University of Southampton. Please browse our list of upcoming events to learn more and to register a place.

You can also access our online resources to support schools, colleges and home educators in curriculum enrichment and partnership building with the university: www.sotontalk2us.org.uk/resources



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ask questions, and find out
more about their experience.

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