

# St Mary's University Student Newsletter



February 2022

# Hello Simmie,

Welcome to your fortnightly student newsletter!

This week we've got information on how to access FREE LinkedIn Learning, the NSS is open for final year undergrads to complete, the latest news from across our EDI activity, volunteer opportunities, and information on the upcoming International Women's Day, plus lots more.

Previous editions of the student newsletter are available here.

### Calling all final year undergraduates

Complete the <u>National Student Survey</u> (NSS) and help Shape St Mary's. The survey is open until 30 April 2022.

The NSS is an independent survey, conducted by market research specialists Ipsos MORI. It's sent to all students in their final year of study across the UK to ask them about their course experience.

Don't miss your chance to tell us about your university experience and help shape the future of St Mary's. By completing the survey, you'll also help other students make an informed decision about their choice of course and university.

#### **Complete the survey here**



## FREE access to Linked-In Learning

Where could LinkedIn Learning take you? All St Marys students have free unlimited access to over 7,000 highquality learning resources covering a wide range of digital, business, and creative skills

# Linked in Learning

**Activate your LinkedIn Learning account today** If you haven't yet activated your LinkedIn Learning account you can do so in 2 mins by <u>clicking this link</u>.

Find out more here.

## Fairtrade University & College Audit - Volunteers needed

Become an auditor for the <u>Fairtrade University & College</u> <u>Award</u> and help us monitor our progress towards Fairtrade University or College status!

Volunteer auditors conduct an audit of the university to review the efforts to embed and promote Fairtrade and wider ethical consumption. You will receive full training via Zoom, delivered by <u>SOS-UK</u> and the <u>Fairtrade Foundation</u>, where you will learn about trade justice issues and how they apply to the university/college, as well as develop professional and analytical skills.

Zoom training will take place on 28 or 29 March. Find out more and <u>apply through the short form here</u>, on or before the deadline of Sunday 20 March.

#### Find out more here.



### IWD2022: Who is your female hero?





To celebrate International Women's Day, we want to hear who your female heroes/role models are. Who inspires you? Who do you look up to? It could be a famous woman from history. A scientist. An artist. An author. Or maybe it's a family member or friend?

If you would like to celebrate your female hero/role model please click on the link below to enter them in our International Women's Day gallery. (Please note that by submitting a photo you are confirming you are happy for it to be printed and displayed on campus and used on social media).

Submit your hero nomination here

# EDI activity - celebrating LGBTQ+ History month

Last week we celebrated Race Equality Week across the UK, raising awareness of and addressing barriers to race equality. Find out about the **Race Equality Charter** (REC) project we've embarked on which will help us improve race equality for our students and staff.

Listen to the latest **<u>UniCast podcast</u>**, which features Brit-Nominee Tom Grennan.

As part of our **LGBTQ+ history month** celebrations, we're asking you to **nominate your LGBTQ+ hero**. Remember to collect your rainbow pins from the SU or WP Offices and encourage as many teams as possible to wear the rainbow laces for fixtures- or just for fun!

To coincide with Valentine's Day, SMSU is running a campaign for **Sexual Safety**. They're sharing a daily post on Instagram with information on relationships 'red flags', sexual health, and where to access help and support.

Finally, If you have experienced or witnessed any negative behaviours at St Mary's, our new '**Report and Support**' pages have been launched, making it easy to confidentially report issues so we can support you.

#### Read the full EDI activity update here.

#### Join us for the Strategic Leadership in Sport event

- Date: Friday 18th February
- Time: 6pm-8pm
- Venue: Waldegrave Suite and Online via Zoom

You'll hear from key speakers who will share their experiences of leadership within their chosen professions.

#### To book your space <u>click here</u>.

### Quick round up of other news



#### Student Union Elections Update

Thank you to everyone who sent nominations for this year's SU Elections. You can keep up to date



#### Academic Integrity Awareness

Have you completed the modules? Academic Integrity is important to all members of our



### Master's Dissertation research findings

Alumnus of the MSc Applied Sport Psychology, Lloyd



with all the latest information on our SU Election page below. Look out for Digital Week which takes place from Monday 28th -Monday 7th March. You'll get to learn more about each candidate as they lobby for votes online for a week before the actual election starts.

Find out more here.

University community. In order to demonstrate academic integrity, you must be able to demonstrate for example originality (independent thinking) and criticality (critical thinking), which you will be supported to develop whilst you complete your studies.

Find out more here.

Emeka, is presenting the research findings from his dissertation 'Lived Experiences of Pain Tolerance in Ultra-Running' as part of an online panel discussion on the **10th March**. The event is free to attend and will be held on zoom from 8pm-9pm.

Find out more here.

### Key dates for your diary

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February 2022 (Click the links for event details)

- LGBTQ+ History month
- 17 Let's Talk About Race
- 17 Speaker Series: Strategic Leadership in Sport
- 20 <u>Student Senior Resident Applications close</u>

# Some BUCS Sports Fixtures - played every Wednesday: 23 Feb:

- Netball (Women) Indoor Courts (TH) @15:00
- Football (Men) on Football Pitches @14:00
- Hockey (Women) on AWP @13:00
- Rugby Union (Women) on Rugby pitches MC @14:00
- Football (Men) on Football Pitches @14:00

#### March 2022

- 8 International Women's Day
- 10 <u>Lloyd Emeka Master's Dissertation research</u> <u>findings</u>
- 16 Get into teaching Open Evening
- 30 Postgraduate open day at 5pm

Information about these campaigns will be shared on the Student Union and St Mary's University social media channels

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