Worcester International News & Events

Your regular round-up from the International Experience team.



HELLO & WELCOME!

Welcome to our brand new Worcester International Newsletter!

The newsletter will keep you up to date with everything we have going on and coming up in the next few months in one handy place.

If you have anything you'd like to share in our next edition please contact us at international-experience@worc.ac.uk - we'd love to hear from you!

FOREWORD FROM CATHERINE HYDE

As an international student, your experience is not just about academic study, important as that is. To take full advantage of this incredible adventure you must also make sure that you get out, make friends and explore the UK.

Look at all the opportunities on offer in this newsletter and get in the habit of saying, "Yes, I can do that!". The more you do, the more people you meet, the greater and more exciting your life chances will be.



TRIPS AND EVENTS Mark your calendars!



The International Experience Team have arranged several trips and events for this semester to help enhance your international experience in the UK. Make sure to mark your calendars so you do not miss out!

PUMPKIN PATCH 24.10.2021 @13:15

Halloween is almost here and it's time to carve your pumpkins!

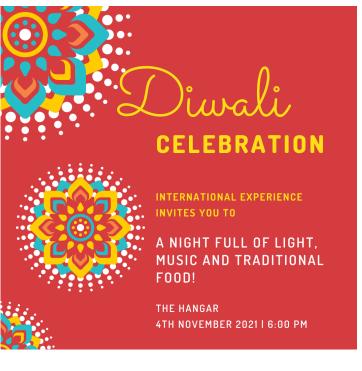
Join us on a trip to the Herefordshire countryside where you can explore the pumpkin field and choose the perfect pumpkin to take home and carve.

After picking your pumpkin you can stop for a bite to eat at the pizza van on site. Don't forget to wrap up warm and wear your wellies as it will be muddy!



Tickets include travel costs and entry fees. The price of the pumpkins will depend on size you choose and must be paid for on the day.

Book your ticket <u>HERE</u> Price: £ 8.00



D|WAL| 4.11.2021 @18:00

Diwali is the Festival of Lights and is celebrated by millions of Hindus, Jains and Sikhs all over the world. We would like to invite you to celebrate the Festival of Lights with us with an evening full of lights, music and traditional food.

Although this event is free you must book your space in advance.

Book your <u>free ticket HERE</u>.



BROADWAY TOWER & VILLAGE 13.11.2021 @9:15

The village of Broadway is the perfect place to experience the beautiful Cotswolds. We begin the trip with a walk up to the famous Broadway tower, before making our way into the village. You are then free to enjoy lunch in a traditional country pub or cafe and explore the independent shops and galleries based in the historic buildings the Cotswolds is famous for.

You can book your ticket <u>HERE</u>. Price: £9.50

WINTER GLOW 8.12.2021 @16:30

Wrap up warm and join us for the Winter Glow Illuminations and join us for a festive extravaganza!

The evening will start with a 45 minute ice skating session in one of the regions largest covered ice rinks. This will be followed by a walk through an immersive illuminated light trail and a visit to the Festive Food Quarter.



Book your tickets <u>HERE</u> Price: £32



When available- book your tickets <u>HERE</u> Price is to be confirmed.

CHRISTMAS PARTY 10.12.2021

As Christmas draws near, what better way to celebrate than with an International Christmas Party! Join us for a festive feast, festive music and a quiz. And if we're very good, we may even be visited by a very special Christmas guest!

More details about this event will be released soon!



CHECK-IN TUESDAYS *Every Tuesday*

Check-in Tuesday is an opportunity to reflect on how you are feeling as well as a reminder to check in with your friends and see how they are doing.

To check in with us just go to the International Student guide app and click on Check In Tuesday. We always love to hear from you whether you're having a great time and just want to say hi, or you're not doing so well but don't want to talk, or if you want a chat and a friendly ear, we're here for you.

CHAT AND CRAFT See dates below

Here in the international team we love chatting with you and seeing how you're getting on and this is just the place!



Chat and Craft is a chance to drop in and catch up with us and your fellow international students. You can just drop in for a chat, bring your lunch or just stop by in between lectures. And there's no obligation to 'craft' but we have a selection of fun and easy things to have a go at if you'd like to. Join us anytime between 12-2 on the following Tuesdays:

October 12th & 26th - November 9th & 23rd - Christmas special - December 14th



FREE PRIZE DRAW

To celebrate the launch of our new newsletter we'd like to give one of you a FREE place on our Broadway Tower & Village trip!

To enter simply send an email to internationalexperience@worc.ac.uk with the header 'Free

Prize Draw' and include your name and student number in the email. All entries must be in by 4pm on Monday 25th October. The winner will be notified by Tuesday 26th October. Good luck!

STUDENTS' UNION UPCOMING EVENTS



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT NETWORK

The International Student Network have booked a table at the Tuesday Quiz and they would love you to come along and join them! No need to book, just come along and play. There's a cash prize for the winning team too!

Tuesday 19th October @8pm - The Hangar

NEW GERMAN SOCIETY

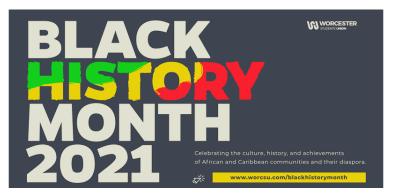
The German Society is new society and is looking for members and committee members to help them get started.

You don't need to be German to join, if you have an interest in German culture, want to learn the language/enhance your German or are interested



in finding out more about Germany then this is the society for you!

For more information please email Ruby @ leer1_21@uni.worc.ac.uk.



- Friday 22nd Bystander webinar hosted by Dr Gill Harrop – online –3:15 - 4:15pm
- Sunday 24th Movie night hosted by the Nigerian Society and African Caribbean Society – Hangar – 7pm

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Black History Month is in full swing with lots of events being held this month celebrating the culture, history and achievements of African and Caribbean communities.

For more information on the Student Unions' Black History Month events and suggestions for reading, films and podcasts, click <u>here</u>.

LANGUAGE CENTRE



The Language Centre is here to help you improve your English and foreign language skills and can train you to become a teacher of English as a foreign language (CELTA).

ACADMEIC WRITING SUPPORT

Need some advice on how to improve your use of academic English?

The <u>Language Centre</u> offers daily 30 minute sessions to both international and UK students. Tutors can help you restructure your sentences and paragraphs to make them more effective and advise you on your use of academic vocabulary, grammar, style, referencing and more

Book your free session via the <u>online booking</u> <u>system</u>.





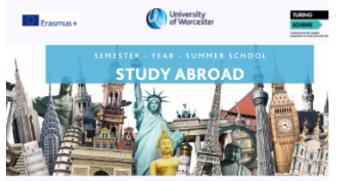
ACADEMIC ENGLISH FOR MASTER'S STUDENTS

The Language Centre offers two-hour academic English classes for international students who are taking a Masters degree at the University of Worcester.

Classes run during semester time and will be starting soon.

For more information please email languagecentre@worc.ac.uk

TRAVEL



STUDY ABROAD

Are you looking for a new challenge or an adventure that will broaden your horizon and make you a true global citizen? Have you ever heard about the Study Abroad program?

The University has a wide range of partners worldwide where you can spend either a semester in your second year or a full academic year!

Interested in learning more about it but don't know where to start? Sign up to the Study Abroad mailing list and we will get in touch with you and offer you plenty of support to make up your mind.

Just click on this link and fill out the form.

DISCOVEREU TRAVEL PASSES

Would you like to make up for not travelling during the pandemic? DiscoverEU has extended their travel pass offer due to the recent travel restrictions. This means that they are currently accepting applications from both UK and EU students of ages 18 - 20.

The project aims to support young adults travelling across Europe, mainly using trains. The travel pass will give you the opportunity to travel across the EU from 1st March 2022 until 28th February 2023 for a duration of one month.



Applications close on the 26th October 2021.

For more information please visit

- <u>DiscoverEU website</u>
- <u>DiscoverEU Factsheets</u>

THANK YOU & GOODBYE!

Thank you for reading our first Worcester International newsletter. We hope you've enjoyed it and found it useful!

Until next time!