International Student Newsletter - February 2019







Come and Audition! ONE WORLD Gala - 15th March

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The International Education Centre is looking for talented people to perform at our evening Gala on the 15th March.

If you can play music, sing or dance we would like to hear from you! Donate a little of your time, have fun and help us raise funds for charity!

All students & staff welcome! Audition date 21st February



We are Recruiting for International Ambassadors NOW



HOW TO CONTACT THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT TEAM:

Website: www.bangor.ac.uk/international/support

Email: internationalsupport@bangor.ac.uk Telephone: 01248 382882

www.facebook.com/BangorUniversityInternational www.instagram.com/bangorinternational

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Survey on Racial Harassment

"The UK Equality and Human Rights Commission wants to hear from University students to understand their experiences of racial harassment in higher education and to see whether universities are effectively responding to and supporting people following such experiences. The survey will also ask individuals why they did or did not report their experiences and what processes and support systems would have made it easier for them to report what happened to them.

Would you like to help the Commission in the matter?

Whether you have been a victim or witness of it, your experiences could help University students nationwide so please find link here:

https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/raceinquiry-students/

If you ever need to talk about Racial Harassment within or outside the University, please remember that the International Student Support Office is here to listen and help you."

National Student Survey—Now Open!

Calling all final year students! The Nation Student Survey 2019 is now open.

The NSS is your opportunity to tell us about your overall experience at Bangor University. You will be contacted shortly if your eligible to take part, please don't miss this opportunity to have your say.

During your time at Bangor you've learnt and experienced a lot, now what will you leave behind? The NSS survey is very important to us as we use the

feedback to make improvements for current and prospective students. Only you and your fellow

students have the experience of studying on your course and the survey has been designed to capture students' views on the areas that matter to them. To take part you can visit www.thestudentsurvey.com



Internationals Go Green: Sustainability Carnifal!



"Sustainability Carnifal will showcase a range and variety of sustainability-related events that run from the 1st February to the 1st March! A month-long extravaganza of events and fun!

Check our events page or our social streams for #carnifal updates on what's happening, or keep an eye out round campus for flyers and posters."



Muhammad Firdaus, Singapore—Societies & Volunteering

Croeso i Gymru! Welcome to Wales!

"If you are a new student, allow me to introduce myself: My name is Muhammad Firdaus, I am your

Vice-President for Societies & Volunteering, and I come from Singapore. Although I graduated with a BA Linguistics (Hons) last year and now work full-time in the Undeb Bangor Students' Union, I too am an international student!

International students in Bangor have a unique experience – we come from all over the world, to study many different courses, at all levels of expertise, for all kinds of reasons, and many of us have sacrificed a lot of our time, effort and money



just to be here. Whether you're a postgraduate or a brand new 'Fresher', the most important thing I would like to say is: You are not alone. Whatever your nationality, culture, faith or interests, there is a community here for you. Don't believe me? Go to our website at www.undebbangor.com and look under the Societies tab — there's probably a society dedicated to students from your nation, and if there isn't, you are always welcome to start one!

If you would like to see what volunteering opportunities we have, come to PJ Hall (the big one in Main Arts) on Wednesday 13th February from 12 – 4 pm for our

Student Opportunities Fair!

You can achieve anything here if you try, and I am here to help you achieve.
Who knows? You could be in my position someday, too!"

FLAVOURS OF THE WORLD! - Jia Ng, Malaysia

"As you might know Chinese New Year is just around the corner! Interestingly, Chinese New Year is celebrated a little

differently in Malaysia compared to the original celebration in China. Other than the festive decorations that are hung all around indicating that Chinese New Year is near, a variety of snacks and cookies will be sold by many vendors as well!

We have a tradition to wear new clothes and bring New Year Greetings to our relatives and friends, wishing each other good luck and happiness. During each visit the host will serve their guests with packet drinks and homemade or

store-bought cookies and snacks. It is always fun to anticipate different kinds of snacks as a kid when we follow our parents to visit different houses. Honey cornflake cups are one of the easiest and top crowd favourite snacks! Follow these simple steps and you will get delicious little bites of sweet crunchy cornflakes! After you've baked them, you can store them in

air-tight containers and enjoy them leisurely! "

You will need:

- 90 g butter
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1 tb; honey
- 4 cup Cornflakes
- 1 cup Sesame seeds (optional)*
- 1 airtight container
- 1 baking tray
- 12 mini cupcake paper cases
- 1 saucepan
- 1 wooden spoon
- \$TEP 1: Melt the butter, sugar and honey in a saucepan until sugar is dissolved and mixture is frothy.
- \$TEP 2: Pour the mixture over the cornflakes until all the cornflakes are coated.
- STEP 3: Place 12 large patty cake cups on a tray and spoon the mixture into the cups. *Sprinkle a pinch of sesame seeds over each cornflake cup.
- \$TEP 4: Put the tray into a 150C oven for 12 minutes or until slightly golden.
- \$TEP 5: Once out of the oven leave cups on the tray to cool a little and harden. Keep in an airtight container.

More details about Jia Ng and how to contact the rest of the Ambassadors at:

www.bangor.ac.uk/international/studentprofiles/ambassadors





Student Opportunities Fair

"A huge welcome to all our new students! We hope that you're settling into your new home and finding your way around Bangor! We are your Students' Union, and are here to help get your voice heard and the home of student life at Bangor, from Sports Clubs to Societies, we've got it all! Why not come down to the 4th Floor of Pontio, to say hi!

We're currently organising our Student Opportunities Fair, which will be held in PJ Hall on

Wednesday the 13th of February, starting from 12pm, this is your chance to meet various different societies and volunteering projects."

Find us on Facebook: @BangorStudentsUnion, Instagram: @UndebBangor or our

Website: www.undebbangor.com





Writing & Research Skills—Study Skills Centre

"The Study Skills Centre has designed two workshop programmes for Semester Two: Being Critical workshops focusing upon assignment-related tasks, and Great Dissertations workshops exploring strategies to enable you to approach your research. Our workshops provide an opportunity to explore practices and strategies that help to develop your understanding of academic expectations and to improve the quality of the work that you produce. Conversation is central to our approach, and the workshops are task-based, enabling you to learn by doing and questioning."

E-mail: studyskills@bangor.ac.uk Phone: 01248 382689



Dankook University Students Achievements

"This month we have had the pleasure of teaching thirteen students from Dankook University, South Korea. The students enter a university wide competition to win the chance to study with us for five weeks. We regularly teach a group as part of our Summer School, but this is the first time we have had a group in the winter. The students love Bangor University because they find it quiet, peaceful, and full of very kind people. They always make the most of their stay here by travelling far and wide throughout the UK and Europe.

We have really enjoyed teaching them and wish them all the best in their future studies and travels! "

For more information on our courses contact elcos@bangor.ac.uk



Manchester Trip & Art Gallery 16th February

£15 adult / £10 child

Beat the winter blues and join our trip to Manchester! Why not visit the National Football Museum or just hit the shops! If you wish to go to the Art Gallery please join us for



no extra charge. Please check 'Trips and Events' on our webpages <u>www.bangor.ac.uk/international/support/events</u> Instagram (BangorInternational) or Facebook page <u>www.facebook.com/BangorUniversityInternational</u> for updates.

Alternatively, contact us on international support@bangor.ac.uk or 01248 382882.

Tips & Advice from Student Housing

"Have you paid a deposit? Has your landlord protected it?" For tips and advice on deposits, please visit:: www.citizensadvice.org.uk/housing/renting-a-home/student-housing-student-housing-in-private-rented-accommodation/student-housing-deposits/

Student Housing Office: www.bangorstudentpad.co.uk



Celebrate The Year of the Earth Pig!

Galat Floyddyn Newydd Tsieineaidd Chinese New Year Gala





www.bangor.ac.uk/confucius-institute

Dydd Sadwrn 9 Chwefror 12-2pm Canol Dinas Bangor

Anghofiwch am holl felan y gaeaf a dod i ddathlu Blwyddyn Newydd Tsieineaidd 2019 - Blwyddyn y Mochyn - gyda Gorymdaith y Ddraig a Gala Tsieineaidd yng nghanol Bangor.

12-12.30pm

Gorymdaith y Ddraig (o'r Gadeirlan at Gloc y Dref a nôl)

12.30-2pm

Gala Tsieineaidd (Cadeirlan Bangor)

Saturday 9 February 12-2pm Bangor City Centre

Chase away the winter blues and join us to celebrate Chinese New Year 2019 - Year of the Earth Pig - with a colourful Dragon Parade and Chinese Gala in the heart of Bangor.

12-12.30pm

Dragon Parade (Cathedral to Town Clock and back)

12.30-2pm

Chinese Gala (Bangor Cathedral)

Celebrate St David's Day on 1st March

St David's Day TWMPATH

Friday 1st March, Powis Hall — FREE

Saint David is the national patron saint of Wales, and St David's Day is celebrated by Welsh people all over the UK and the World.

Come to our 'Twmpath' to experience traditional Welsh music and dancing.





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AUDITIONS FEBRUARY 21 | 18:00 -22:00 | NEUADD POWIS

Sign up now via email: internationalsupport@bangor.ac.uk