Don’t leave university without it
Sussex and American Express join forces to offer IT opportunities

Sussex has beaten off stiff competition from other UK universities to join forces with financial services giant American Express and offer an exciting new way to study and gain work experience in information technology.

Thirty postgraduates will work part-time for the company for two years, based in the Sussex Innovation Centre, while also studying for a Masters degree in computing in the new Department of Informatics in the School of Science & Technology.

"This partnership is an excellent start for the new department," says Professor Ben du Boulay, Dean of the School. “We expect there to be many other benefits for teaching, research and the School’s links with the business community.”

The new American Express offices in the Innovation Centre will house 8-10 managers as well as the students. Business support will be on offer from American Express to other smaller companies in the Centre.

"The University is delighted to be working with American Express on this ground-breaking partnership," says Vice-Chancellor Professor Alasdair Smith. “I am particularly pleased that American Express found that we offered them an unrivalled range of graduate programmes in a strong research-based computer science department.”

The project will run until 2009, and if successful may go global, with Sussex programmes being run through other universities.

Students will take the new MSc in Information Technology for E-Commerce, which has already attracted many good students in its first year of operation, or the MSc in Human Centred Computer Systems.

Applicants to the scheme will have to apply separately to both American Express and the University of Sussex and will be offered a place only if they are successful in both processes. The 30 places per year on these degrees are additional to current student numbers.

The tuition fees for each student will be paid by American Express as well as a competitive salary.

At the end of the two years, the highest performing students will have an opportunity to gain a full-time job with the company.

“We have developed this programme to provide graduates with an integrated package of part-time postgraduate study combined with unique hands-on experience that will be gained from working in the commercial environment," explains Martyn Carr, Vice-President Technologies at American Express.

There will be a presentation for students interested in the scheme on 12 March at 2.30pm in the Engineering Lecture Room AS1. Representatives from American Express and the University will be present to answer questions.

More information on the scheme is available on the Sussex website at www.sussex.ac.uk/central/postgraduate.shtml.

Sussex campus buildings are design classics
The University's campus buildings rank alongside design classics such as the Mini car and Mary Quant's mini skirt, according to a new BBC TV programme on the 1960s.

"Designing the Decades", a four-part series starting this month on BBC 2, revisits the nation's design heritage from the '60s to the '90s and takes a journey through 40 years of iconic architecture, interiors, fashion and design.

The programme on the 1960s explores the designs that shaped that decade, including the Modernist architecture of Sir Basil Spence at Sussex. Opening with old film footage of a snow-covered campus, narrator Penelope Keith describes the campus architecture as "Modernism at its best — brutal and beautiful." A BBC camera crew spent a day on campus late last year filming the Library, Falmer House (in particular the Debating Chamber), Meeting House, Gardner Arts Centre and the Arts buildings. They also interviewed art historian Professor Nigel Llewellyn and the Students' Union President, Ros Hall.

In the programme, Nigel and Ros both speak about some of the stories and myths associated with the buildings: Do the two tall structures on Arts A represent a tuning fork or antenna? Is the Library an open book resting on its spine? And does Falmer House resemble a camera?

Meanwhile, Sussex alumna Catherine Boyd (née Jay) reminisces about the radical student politics of the time. "We would pass motions condemning regimes and policies — as if anyone cared what we thought," she recalls.

Jonathan Glancey, architecture and design editor of the Guardian, praises the "delightful sense of playfulness" of the campus, while architectural historian Brian Edwards calls it "lout architecture", with more of a debt to the rockers of the time than to the mods.

To see Sussex in the 60s and to find out which other design icons reflected the aspirations and ideals of the decade, tune in on Saturday 22 March at 8pm.
Humans gave TB to cows

Lotte Friedrich
Human Sciences finalist, BIOLOG

There is a general assumption that we have acquired the majority of our diseases through contact with animals – mainly domestic animals. But recent research is now turning this assumption on its head, at least for tuberculosis (TB).

According to Dr Noël Smith and Professor John Maynard Smith of the Centre for the Study of Evolution in BIOLOG, it is more likely that humans gave TB to cows and not vice versa.

The cattle form of TB (Mycobacterium bovis) and the human form (M. tuberculosis) are very closely related – so closely that humans can be infected with bovine TB, usually via infected milk.

Tracking the family histories of diseases involves a kind of molecular fingerprinting. Previous research at the Institut Pasteur in Paris has established that the human form of TB is more closely related to a hypothetical common ancestor than the bovine form.

Noël and John have now taken the work a step further; using data obtained by the government’s Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) and more precise methods for identifying different strains of TB.

The two researchers looked at the presence or absence of 43 known repeating units that make up a section of DNA (a bit like a bar code – unique to TB bacteria), which is known as the spoligotype. TB bacteria reproduce without sex (clonally) so spoligotypes can be changed by deletion of units but not by addition. The presence or absence of units within the ‘barcode’ for different strains indicates relatedness, which allows family trees to be established.

These family trees show that bovine TB has evolved not as a generalist (where the same strain infects a multitude of different species) but as a series of host-adapted clones. Many distinct lineages of bovine TB are found in the UK and one of these is the cow/badger lineage.

Badgers have often been implicated as a reservoir of infection in the wild and since the 1970s trials have been set up to determine whether the incidence of TB in cattle could be reduced by eliminating neighbouring badger populations. Since 1986 badgers have been a protected species but, despite this, limited trials have continued.

Recently the Krebs report recommended that vaccines should be developed to control TB among cattle and wildlife. The work by John and Noël lays the groundwork for new molecular epidemiological tools, allowing a clearer picture of how TB is affecting cattle and other UK wildlife. It will also play an important part in the development of a vaccine for badgers, which could get them off the hook!
The increase in undergraduate applications to the University reported in the last issue of the Bulletin is most welcome. There are a number of factors that may lie behind the increase. Much work has been put into improving the prospectus and our web presence, and the Schools and Colleges Liaison team are leading a strengthened recruitment effort. Everyone associated with these improvements deserves congratulations.

There are no grounds for complacency. Applications need to be translated into offers, and offers into acceptances. Quick responses, good communications and well-managed Admissions Days are all part of the continuing effort. We also need this year’s improvement to be sustained and built upon in future years if the University is to prosper in the new world we will be living in after 2006. The work has only just begun.

Clearly the attractiveness of the new BA curriculum has been a very significant factor in the increase in applications. The lessons of the Arts curriculum reform for the Science curriculum need to be considered carefully. It really would be extraordinarily good news for the University if the improvements we have seen this year in Arts were seen across the board in future years.

The planning of that new curriculum has involved a huge effort by a large number of academic and support staff over the past two years. The academic planning has been led by Professor Nigel Llewellyn and the administrative planning by Owen Richards. Further detailed work remains to be done, but the process is well on track.

We are now moving towards the point where the changes will actually be implemented as new students arrive in October. That phase will bring its own challenges. In October we will have new undergraduate Arts students, following the new curriculum, in the new School structure.

We will also have continuing students, following the existing curriculum, but also in the new School structure. Our existing students can be assured that their needs are well understood and that the degree programmes that they came here to study will continue as planned, and be effectively managed in the new structures.

The key people in ensuring that this crucial transition goes well are the support staff in the Schools. They will be in the front line of ensuring that things go well in October, both for new and continuing students. Between now and October, and then throughout the next academic year, there will need to be careful consultation with support staff to ensure a smooth transition. Even more than usual, the University will be relying on their experience and professional skills.

Agreement reached on Students’ Union funding

A threatened shutdown of the Students’ Union (USSU) was averted last week when USSU and the University came to an agreement over funding issues.

In a meeting on 25 February the University’s senior management and USSU sabbaticals agreed a deal over the rent USSU pays on Falmer Bar/Hothouse, as well as the basis for future funding for advice and sports services.

The funding issue arose when it became clear that Falmer Bar, which the Union took control of in 2000, was not generating as much profit as had been expected. This in turn affected funding for USSU activities, which relies on a combination of the block grant from the University and profits from the Union’s commercial arm, SUSUS Ltd. In 2001 SUSUS made no contribution at all, leading to a £116,000 deficit in USSU finances. USSU say that in the current year they are £41,000 in deficit.

The problem was compounded when, at last November’s USSU Annual General Meeting, students voted not to allow use of USSU reserves to cover the shortfall in income.

Agreement has now been reached on funding for the current financial year. As an act of goodwill, the University will grant a rent rebate of £13,000 for each of the three years that Falmer Bar has been run by SUSUS. An independent study, to be commissioned by the University and USSU, will then look at finding an appropriate ongoing future rent for all the bars in USSU ownership.

In addition the Student Advice Centre, which the Vice-Chancellor recognised as a “very important service”, will receive additional funding.

Talks continue on the level of the block grant. Dependent on HECF funding, the University is looking to increase the block grant incrementally according to inflation.

Sports provision was also discussed, with USSU suggesting the Union and University could form a jointly funded ‘Athletics Union’.

Neil Gershon, Registrar & Secretary, said: “I am pleased that the latest discussions have averted any shutdown of the services the Students’ Union provides. We look forward to building on the excellent relationships between the University and Students’ Union and to work together to realise the best possible results for students.”

USSU President Ros Hall welcomed the funding deal, saying: “This marks a fantastic new era for the Union at Sussex. The University should be praised for recognising the importance of the Union and the students it represents.”

Long-distance swimmer is aiming high

Yves Le Juen is clearly a man of many interests. During the week he is a senior tutorial fellow in the Sussex Language Institute and, at weekends, temporary head of a city-centre parish in Brighton.

Not only that, Yves is also a long-distance swimmer: on 22 March he aims to do 200 lengths - that’s a whopping 5,000 metres - during the annual swimathon at the Prince Regent pool in Brighton.

And it’s all in aid of a good cause: to raise funds for pre-Easter re-gliding work on the roof screen of St Paul’s, the Victorian church that Yves serves. Gilding is another one of his hobbies; climbing 50-ft scaffolding to do it will be new to him.

To sponsor Yves, call ext. 7409 or email alfe1@sussex.ac.uk.
As fast as lightning

A first year engineering student has unexpectedly won gold at the national student karate championships.

Clive Harvey, who studies electronic and communication engineering, won his medal in the Men’s Novice Lightweight Kumite category, beating off competition from university karate heavyweights Bath and Edinburgh. His success is even more surprising given that Sussex sent only three competitors to the championships, while some universities sent more than 30.

Purple belt Clive won his award at the British Universities Sports Association (BUSA) championships held last month at the University of Kent. He was particularly pleased with his performance because last year he only made the semi-finals.

Clive, who took up karate four years ago, had to compete in both the Kata and Kumite sections of the competition. Kata involves performing a series of moves individually to test power, precision, technique and speed. Kumite, meanwhile, has two players sparring. Players must not wind one another and are allowed only semi-contact with the body. In Kata Clive came a respectable fourth, but it was in Kumite that he really made his mark, beating five competitors.

The new champion puts a great deal of his success down to his instructors, one of whom is Dr Zoltan Dienes, a Reader in Experimental Psychology. "We have a great class with three very experienced instructors," says Clive. "They cover a very broad range of activities with a practical focus."

In the future Clive is hoping his win will encourage more players into karate at Sussex and perhaps sponsorship of the team to enable them to match the levels of other universities: "Karate has lacked resources at Sussex and it’s time to put some real effort and funding into it," he argues. "When we play we don’t even have our own Sussex uniforms, unlike almost every other uni."

Gold is by no mean the end for Clive, though. He hopes to go on to the European championships and eventually to gain the coveted black belt.

More information on karate at Sussex is available from www.ussu.net/karate.

Engineers triumph in national business challenge

A team of five engineering students have triumphed in the largest business competition in the UK. They won the grand final of the annual Universities Business Challenge, held on 28 February at the headquarters of IBM.

The six teams in the final – from Imperial College, UMIST and Regent’s Business School as well as the Universities of Bristol, Lancaster and Sussex – were given a business scenario and competed to finish the day with the highest share price and the greatest profit.

The Sussex victory was the culmination of a challenge that began last October, when the team had to complete a number of email-based case studies, reflecting simulated company strategies through typical trading periods.

More than 100 undergraduate teams from universities across the UK competed to achieve maximum profit, acquire new business and enhance customer satisfaction.

Having won the first stage of the competition, the Sussex team then went on to victory in one of six regional semi-finals last month, before their ultimate success in London.

So what have they gained from the experience, apart from a prize of £1,000? "It has given us the chance to apply our business acumen to a ‘real’ application," says team member Stephen Readman who, like the others, is studying business management alongside engineering.

"It has certainly given the students a view of business in a way that is not possible in lectures," agrees their delighted tutor, Richard Verrall.

Sussex students win film award

For the second year running, Sussex students have won the Best Documentary category of the Imperial War Museum’s student film competition. Helen Tripp and Georgia Moseley are pictured with competition judge Richard Melman, head of programming for the History Channel. Helen and Georgia Moseley made the 28-minute film, called ‘The Other American Invasion’, with Aliza Nimon as part of a course taught by Dr Ian Gazeley.

The Daily Telegraph, Sun, Daily Mirror, Daily Express and Guardian Unlimited were among the national publications to have some fun with the Mexican biology student’s chosen field of study. He was also interviewed by Meridian TV.

On to more serious matters: several SPRU people have been addressing global issues in the press.

Dr Erik Millstone’s latest book, The Atlas of Food, which describes frightening trends in world food policies, received rave review in the Food Magazine and the Ecologist last month. Erik is a reader in Science Policy.

Research fellow Steve Sorrell wrote a piece for the New Statesman (24 Feb) on the design flaws of the UK’s climate change levy, which aims to reduce carbon dioxide emissions, while Dr Jim Watson talked to BBC Southern Counties Radio (24 Feb) about unanswered questions in the government’s energy policy White Paper.

Neuroscientist Dr Corne Kros’ research into the causes of deafness, by looking at hair cells in the ear, was picked up by the Argus (13 Feb), Meridian TV and British Satellite News.

And as discussions on the future of the West Pier continues, Professor Fred Gray has been called upon by both local and national media (including BBC, ITV and Channel 4) for his knowledge and views.

Contact me with your news: ext. 7437 or email J.A.Being@sussex.ac.uk.
Kisses and congratulations

It was mortarboards and gowns galore on 21 February as hundreds of students attended the annual winter graduation ceremonies at the Brighton Dome. Lord Attenborough was on hand once again to confer the awards and humbly accept a shower of kisses from grateful graduands.

Students are invited to come in national dress, but no costume was quite so colourful as Betty Ntsangase’s, which included the Swaziland national football team’s shirt!

Betty (pictured below), who undertook an MA in English Literature, came to Britain with no funding behind her and combined study with work in local schools: “I had no lazy time,” she recalls. “When I wasn’t reading or writing, I was working. I was determined I would find the money and do my best.”

When their course finished, Viviana stayed on in Britain while Soren returned home. “Soren surprised me one day by turning up on my doorstep,” says Viviana. “He took me for a walk along the beach. Then, in the rain in front of the West Pier, he proposed. I was shocked but I said yes, of course.” The newlyweds enjoyed being back in Brighton for the ceremony: “We both loved the life at Sussex. We had an amazing year and we wouldn’t trade it for anything!”

Kathy Darling (pictured below right), who works in a Hastings secondary school, is one of the first students to receive the new Diploma in Professional Education Studies. The course enables those who are currently teaching assistants to extend their skills to support classroom teachers more effectively.

How did it feel, however, for Kathy to go back to the classroom herself? “It was very challenging for me because I have kids and a full-time job. Around that I had to fit my essays, learning diary and build up my portfolio of coursework. But the school totally supported me.” Kathy now intends to become a fully qualified teacher herself: “I found the Diploma very useful and will definitely carry on my studies after graduation,” she says.

Peter Fearon (pictured far right), from Newry, received a doctorate in chemistry after spending most of his life as a builder. “I’d left school at 16 with very few qualifications and had done various jobs,” he explains.

He was the first in his family and even the entire neighbourhood to go to university. “The contrast between a remote Irish hamlet and campus residences was amazing,” says Peter.

Not content with being the oldest student at his previous graduation ceremony in July 2001, septuagenarian Ken Goodwin graduated again – this time with a Masters in Early Modern History.

“I really loved it,” he enthuses. “There was plenty of work but never a dull moment. I would have heated arguments in class about everything from European law to the fate of witches!”

When Wendy Ellis retired, she decided to take up her interest in development more actively and enrolled for a Certificate in Environment, Society and Politics.

She was initially anxious about her lack of modern study techniques but says she received lots of help. “I look back on the course now and I realise that I learnt quite a lot more than I expected.”

Far from resting on her laurels, Wendy’s next move is to take up another course – this time in India.

Italian Marco Amodio overcame all the odds to achieve his Masters in Rural Development. For a start, he couldn’t speak English when he first arrived in Britain. Then he realised he had chosen the wrong degree. After he had changed course, his mother fell seriously ill. Thankfully his mother recovered and her son graduated with flying colours. “I met so many interesting people – something that I could not experience in Rome,” says Marco of his year in Brighton.
Changing the way we work

Reward procedure and annual appraisal review

As part of the University’s Human Resources Strategy (www.sussex.ac.uk/Units/staffing/hrstrategy), this year is seeing intense activity around the development of a common annual appraisal system for all categories of staff at Sussex, to support regular and frequent reviews of staff performance and development.

This development includes a number of units taking part in an appraisal pilot, from which feedback will influence the finally agreed University-wide appraisal scheme, to be launched sometime early in 2004. These pilots include both support and academic staff in CCS, CPES, USIE, USICS, Library and – for the first time – manual and ancillary staff, who will also be having appraisal meetings with their line managers.

In the meantime, the 2003 appraisal process will continue and both existing and pilot appraisal forms and other paperwork are available online at www.sussex.ac.uk/Units/staffing/staffdev/. For advice as to which appraisal forms to use, contact Sarah Strupinski (s.m.strupinski@sussex.ac.uk). School support staff will be contacted by School Admin Managers with guidance on when to undertake their appraisals during 2003 in order to align with restructuring.

Alongside the revision of the appraisal scheme, Staff in Human Resources have also developed an over-arching reward approach, including consistent pay and grading review procedures for all groups of support staff. The objective is to enable all staff to understand better the criteria required for both performance and reward, and to contribute to a clearer and fairer method of comparable salary assessment.

The reward review process currently takes place annually between February and July, with payments relating to promotion, regrading, merit and discretionary increments and bonuses made in October. "This timescale can act as a disincentive to staff," observes Barbara Bush, Director of Human Resources, "as it may involve a long lead time between exceptional performance and the reward for it".

For this year’s cycle, any recommendations for regrading, merit or discretionary increments or bonuses should be made to Human Resources by 7 April. Staff will be notified of the outcome in the week beginning 7 July and payments will be made from 1 October. For the first time, manual and ancillary staff will be eligible for consideration for bonus payments.

From October 2003, this annual reward cycle will be replaced by an ongoing review process for all support staff. This will allow staff incentives and reward to be given in a more timely way and demonstrate that performance review is ongoing, rather than a discrete annual event.

Eventually, the award of merit increments, discretionary increments and bonuses will be devolved to line managers, with clear guidelines that focus on criteria directly linked to the Human Resources Strategy. Training will be provided to support this.

"The revision of appraisal systems and reward processes is long overdue," says Barbara. "The new reward system will link all reward processes to clear and transparent criteria."

New award scheme for staff

The University is launching a new scheme this year – the Chancellor’s Awards – to recognise exceptional contributions to the work and life of the University by members of staff. This new scheme provides the opportunity, alongside the existing Teaching Awards, to acknowledge the wide range of work that goes into making Sussex the place it is.

Four awards of £500 each will be made at summer graduation each year. As well as presenting staff with their awards at the graduation ceremonies, the Chancellor, Lord Attenborough, has asked to meet all the winners of the award outside the ceremony, as it carries the title of his office.

The closing date for nominations this year is 9 May. People may be nominated by any member of staff, student or former student, or can be self-nominated, but will need a supporting statement from the nominee’s manager.

The panel considering the nominations will be looking for people who have made exceptional contributions that have enhanced University life in any sphere. The awards are open to all those employed by the University at any level whether full- or part-time, permanent or fixed term. There is no minimum or maximum age or length of service requirement.

Recognition can be made for a series of significant activities, as well as for a single sustained initiative. However, long service on its own will not normally be regarded as exceptional.

Nominations can be made for any activity, aside from direct teaching and research. Examples of successful activities might include attracting more and better students or staff to the University; providing improved support to staff and students; enhancing students’ experience while at university; helping students prepare for success in their future careers; or improving the standing of the University in the local community.

The panel considering nominations will be chaired by the Vice-Chancellor and will include a number of senior staff and members of Council. Further information and nomination forms are available from the Registrar’s Office, which is managing the awards scheme, and further information is available online at www.sussex.ac.uk/Units/registrar.

This year’s Teaching Awards scheme is also being announced this week. Up to three awards of £1,000 each will be made to colleagues who have innovated in teaching, learning and/or assessment at Sussex. Application forms are available from the TLDU website and School offices. Nominations may be made by students, colleagues or alumni and candidates may also self-nominate. The closing date for initial nominations is Friday 4 April.
Dear Editor

I believe the University should be opposed to the construction of a football stadium at Falmer for a number of reasons. Brighton needs its own stadium, just not on this site.

Firstly, it is an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and will adjoin the boundary of the new National Park. Secondly, both universities are on rural sites; the University of Sussex has already taken a large part of Stanmer Park and should not put in another access road simply for cars.

Another concern of mine is the safety and security of students, particularly young first year students living on campus. Changing the campus from a rural to urban environment would make it more vulnerable.

Finally, I do not think the University should be 'selling' itself off. Are we really so short of money that we need the income from car parking and for the club to pay for a new link road and upgrading of CCTV cameras around campus?

Jannet Cook
CCE student and local resident

Dear Bulletin

Professor Geoffrey Sampson continues to enlighten us all with his public writings. His admission that he is unable to gauge the emotional states conveyed by the facial expressions of his fellow man (Bulletin, 21 February) provides an uncommonly clear insight, for all students of psychology, into the mindset of the socially challenged.

Dave Booth, BIOLS

Dear Bulletin

At this difficult time of restructuring, I can understand why the VC would wish us to think that the 14% increase in applications to Sussex is primarily due to the introduction of the new curriculum. However, I wonder how much higher the profile and increased resources given to the whole admissions process this year has had an effect. Likewise the excellent work of colleagues in Admissions and Schools & Colleges Liaison.

I suggest that a significant factor in the increased interest in Sussex must surely be the successful overhaul and improvement of the University’s website during the last year. Now there is an example of how change can be effectively managed.

Yvonne McGreal
History of Art Co-ordinator

The right formula for a successful day

Here’s a formula for success: take the Mathematics PGCE group, add mathematicians from SMS, and the result is a ‘Mathematics Enrichment Day’ for 50 Year 11 students from a local school.

Pat Drake and Giles Dickens in USIE organized the event last month following a request from ex-Sussex PGCE student Mark Johnson, who is now teaching mathematics at Thomas Bennett Community College in Crawley. The school analysed its students’ mock GCSE mathematics results and the ones who attended the Enrichment Day were mainly aiming for grade C or B at GCSE, i.e. they were intermediate students who need an extra push to make the grade.

Fifteen trainee teachers on the Sussex PGCE prepared and taught workshops to help with specific topics identified in the analysis. They were enthusiastic about this opportunity to prepare and teach examination work, as there is often not much opportunity for this during training.

Dr John Haigh from SMS gave a lecture on probability and chance, while Dr Derek Robinson encouraged the students to consider career opportunities involving mathematics. Fellow mathematician Dr Mark Broom organized a team of Sussex students to lead campus tours.

Evaluations were very positive from both the school students and trainee teachers.

It’s not often that you get the President of the British Academy and the President of the Royal Society in the same room at the same time.

The extraordinary meeting took place last month when Lord Runciman (right) from the British Academy and Lord May (centre) from the Royal Society came together on campus to pay tribute to the eminent Sussex biologist, Professor John Maynard Smith (left).

The BIOLS building will be renamed in honour of John Maynard Smith, the founding Dean of BIOLS, and his major contribution to evolutionary biology.
Lectures, seminars, colloquia

Mon 10 Mar 12.30pm Continuing Education Research Forum: David Watson (Brighton), New Labour and lifelong learning. Arts D310.

1.00pm IDS Special Seminar: Richard Ssewakiryanga (IDS), Deepening our understanding of poverty: Reflections on the process and findings from the 2nd Participatory Poverty Assessment in Uganda. IDS Room 221.

2.00pm Sussex Meaning and Grammar

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TO LET: Single room for mature or PG student in Elm Grove house. Own TV, video. Share facilities and garden with one other. £70 p/w incl. Tel. 671682.

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Box office: (01273) 685861 www.gardenerarts.co.uk

Performance

Sun 9 Mar 7.30pm ACAS – Culture Festival
Presented by the African, Caribbean and Asian Society.

Tue 11 Mar 8pm Théâtre sans Frontières – The Three Cornered Hat
A rollicking farce set in 19th-century Spain, performed in simple Spanish.

Sun 16 Mar 4pm Laissez-Passer (12A)

Fri 20 Mar 10am – 12noon Sun 20 Mar 12noon

Exhibitions

Wed 19-Sun 30 Mar Brighton and Hove Camera Club
Digital, darkroom, traditional, contemporary, beginners and experts.


4.00pm Economics Research Seminar: David Madden (UCD). Tobacco taxes and starting and quitting smoking: Do the effects differ by education? Arts D520.

5.00pm USE Open Seminar: Peter Museaus (Sussex), Socio-cultural approaches to apprenticeship learning. Arts C233.

5.00pm Women’s Studies Graduate Seminar: Charlie Sever (IDS), SM, sex and Sue Lawley: Queering lesbian activism of the late 1980s and early 1990s. Arts A155.

Tue 11 Mar 6.30pm National Science Week
Professorial Lecture: Alan Kalmus (Sussex), Paving up our genes protects us from cancer. Chichester Lecture Theatre.

7.00pm Institute of Physics Lecture: Peter Kalmus (Queen Mary), Mirror images, antimatter and time reversal. Pev 1 - 1A7.

Wed 12 Mar 1.00pm IDS Seminar: Education and the Millennium Development

Targets: Perran Penrose, Here be dragons: International development targets – fantasy and fiscal reality. IDS 221.

2.00pm South Asia Seminar: Josefine Reynell (Oxford), Paths to personhood: Female religious practice among the Jains of Jaipur. Arts C162.

4.00pm Centre for Modernist Studies: David Peters Corbett (York), English modernism, war and representation 1912-1930. Arts A1.

4.00pm Social Work and Social Care Open Seminar: Sue White (Huddersfield) and Carolyn Taylor (Salford), Knowledge and reasoning in social work: Educating for ‘Sagacity and Goodness’. Arts E419.

4.00pm Analysis Seminar: B.W. Schulze (Potsdam), Ellipticity and asymptotics on manifolds with edges. Pev 1 - 1A1.

5.00pm Migration Research Seminar: Robyn Iredale (Woolongong), Trends in skilled female migration in the Asia Pacific region: Selection and accreditation issues. Arts C233.

7.30pm British Computer Society: Paul Gough (Sussex), Intelligent space instruments. EIT A51.

Thu 13 Mar 5.00pm History Work in Progress Seminar: Sally Alexander (Goldsmiths), The end of servility? Domestic work between the wars. Arts A155.

TO LET: Part-furnished double room in 3-bed house in North Laine. Suit PG/young professional. Available 16 March. £300 pcm. Call Anna or Stuart on 624180 or 07904 439294.

TO LET: Furnished 1st floor studio flat, with separate kitchen and bathroom, on Regency Sq. Available 31 March for min. 6-mth tenancy. £410 pcm. Suit PG or professional, or couple. Call Kira on 07788 720219.

WANTED: Cleaner for 2 hrs, 1 or 2 afternoons per week in family house near London Rd station. Tel. Tracy on 673384.

WANTED: Participants for food and drink research. Earn up to £80 per study. Email martin@central.sussex.ac.uk.

WANTED: Child-friendly student to collect boy (9) from school 3/4 days p/w and play with him and sister (13) 'til supper. 12 hrs p/w term time, extra help needed school hols. Hove-based. Punctuality and refs essential; basic football and cooking skills useful. Terms neg. Contact Steve Burman on ext. 7030 or s.f.burman@sussex.ac.uk.

FOR SALE: Self-assembly double futon, three position, £35; buyer collects. Compact vacuum cleaner, 1100 watt, £15, Matsui CD radio cassette (CD 67), £15, Rio 6-pack body toer, £25. Email tap@clb@sussex.ac.uk or phone/text Chris on 0788 1406 791 after 8.30pm.

FOR SALE: Nordic ski equipment. Expensive model, new, good condition. £60 ovno. Contact Mike on ext. 3183, email m.j.b.townsend@sussex.ac.uk.

WANTED: Double cassette player to copy audio tapes, preferable portable. Contact Valerie on 492963.

TO LET: Room in Lewes house with owner, £35 p/w. Female N/S, uni summer term only. Ext. 8125 (mornings only) or email katj@ sussex.ac.uk.

FOR SALE: Fujitsu laptop, Lifebook C series. Call Kader on 0781 656 3698, email kader@justice.com.

FREE: Computer workstation desk with monitor stand, 50cm D x 70cm W x 80cm H. Free to collector, from Hove. Contact hilarys@cogs.sussex.ac.uk.

FOR SALE: Maternity wear (size 12), bouncy chair, sterilizer, books, children’s clothes for boy and girl from newborn-toddler. Email lafa4@sussex.ac.uk.

TO LET: 1-bed Hove flat, 15 Mar-22 Apr, £580 pcm plus bills. Email lafa4@sussex.ac.uk.

LOST: Custody cow in velvet jacket, left outside back of Bramber Hse on 19 Feb. Contact Sandra on ext. 8201, email S.Jenkins@sussex.ac.uk.

MAKE a little boy very happy!

NATIONAL NO SMOKING DAY: Wed 12 Mar. Stop smoking clinic at the Health Centre, 3.30-5.30pm. Tel. 294011.

FOR SALE: Washing machine, nearly new, fast spin cycle. £110 if buyer collects. Call 07789 094732 or email p.j.mccarthy@sussex.ac.uk.