feel good February!
UWE and Weston College create higher opportunities for students in the region

UWE and Weston College celebrated the formal signing of an agreement to further extend higher education opportunities for students in the region on 13 December 2006 at Weston College. This partnership will mean for the first time students at Weston College will be able to take UWE foundation degrees in subjects like Business, Public Service, Environmental Health and Legal Advice. Greater curriculum integration will lead to students on these courses being able to count this study as part of a full three year degree should they then go on to UWE to study.

Sir Howard Newby, UWE Vice-Chancellor said, “This is a very exciting occasion for the University and for Weston College. It opens up further opportunities for students in the area, providing them with more pathways for study at a higher level. These courses will all feed into programmes at UWE and ensure that students are armed with an excellent academic grounding and the right transferable skills to enable them to succeed in their chosen area. We want to make progression possible and accessible to a greater number of students, particularly those who are from backgrounds where there is no history or experience of Higher Education.”

Sir Howard Newby continues, “I believe that Higher Education working collaboratively with FE and industry partners is key to building the skill base for the UK and the UWE Federation is critical in this respect. At UWE we are developing programmes that will contribute to producing a skill base capable of operating at a world class level in the global economy.”

Students who join UWE from Weston will all have access to UWE’s excellent bursary scheme that pays between £1,250 and £750 per year depending on family circumstances. It is anticipated that approximately half of the students joining from Weston will be eligible for one of these bursaries.

UWE ranked fifth for teaching quality

The University has been placed fifth in England out of 83 Higher Education institutions in the latest Teaching Quality Assessment league table compiled by the Quality Assurance Agency.

Now that scores have been adjusted to remove the link with research that previously skewed the teaching quality league tables to favour pre 1992 universities, many new universities have performed well. In the latest table published recently in the Times Higher Educational Supplement previous high performers Cambridge, York, Warwick and Imperial have been replaced with Sheffield Hallam, Middlesex, UWE and Nottingham Trent.

The research was compiled by a group of academics lead by Robert Raeside, Director of Research at Napier University and reported in a paper entitled, ‘Recounting the Scores: An analysis of the QAA Subject Review Grades 1995–2001’.

The study criticises the previous method for judging teaching quality – ‘the subject review had been successful at little more than measuring institutional wealth’. The report goes on to state – ‘The findings suggest that the official tables are misleading and that controlling for size and subject group significantly alters the ranking of the universities… effectively there was no grading process over the six years this approach was used and the consequences were either ignored or not detected by the QAA.’

UWE Vice-Chancellor, Sir Howard Newby, said, “We are delighted with this result as it confirms UWE’s position as an excellent teaching university. This revised assessment also matches the feedback we get from employers that we produce high quality graduates. It shows we are in a good position to continue to deliver a first class experience for all of our students.”

The new top ten are Sheffield Hallam (previously 48th), Middlesex (previously 54th), Oxford (no change to position), Leeds (previously 43rd), UWE (previously 24th), Loughborough (previously 6th) Central Lancashire (previously 55th), Nottingham Trent (previously 46th), Salford (previously 66th) and Southampton (previously 10th).
Feel Good February

Building on the success of last year’s Feel Good February 2006 - FGF 2007 12 – 17 February promises to be a fun packed week full of events, information and presentations about a variety of health-related topics.

Don’t let those New Year’s resolutions slip - it’s time to put the fun back into exercising and your life - make a space in your diary and help to keep your New Year fitness plan on course.

The week’s events are themed and include: Wellbeing - Mind, Body, Recovery; a Food Festival and the Big Bike Ride on Sunday 18 February.

Experience taster sessions in: Tai Chi, Meditation, Shiatsu, Alexander Technique. Or take part in the UWE Challenge Cup, School Sports Day revival, fitness challenges and team events such as touch rugby, dodge ball and basketball.

If you’re not a regular gym-goer, don’t sweat - recent studies show that you can improve heart and lung fitness by doing everyday activities, like gardening or walking more so join in one of the organised walks taking place this Spring (see ad on page 24) or organise your own walks with colleagues.

The Centre for Performing Arts is inviting staff and students to exercise their lungs in a vocal workout on Wednesday 14 February from 12.30 to 13.30 in the new CPA building (back of car park one).

What songs do you sing in the shower? What movies bring a smile to your face? Help us compile the UWE Feel Good Top Ten by completing a quick survey. The results will be posted on the FGF web pages from Monday 12 February.

Full details of Feel Good February Activities and the survey can be found at: www.uwe.ac.uk/feelgoodfebruary

OBE for new Dean of the Bristol Business School

Professor Ian Gow, who takes up his position as Executive Dean of Bristol Business School and also Pro Vice-Chancellor of the University later in the year has been awarded an OBE in the New Year’s Honours List. His award is for his work on British Education in Eastern China and recognises his key role, as Foundation Provost in the planning, setting up and running of China’s first independent Foreign University campus, the University of Nottingham, Ningbo, China.

Professor Gow said, “I am very honoured for this recognition but the new development in China was truly a team effort and therefore I am accepting this on behalf of all the team, in China and Nottingham, who worked so hard to make it happen.”

Sir Howard Newby commented, “This is great news and a well deserved recognition of Professor Gow’s pioneering work in China. We look forward to welcoming Ian as Executive Dean of the Bristol Business School this year. His unparalleled knowledge of the Chinese education arena will be invaluable to UWE’s aspirations to strengthen links within China.”

Before joining UWE, Professor Ian Gow was Professor of Asian Business and Vice-President (Asia) of the University of Nottingham and formerly Dean of the Nottingham University Business School (NUBUS) (1998-2003). He had special responsibility for the development and implementation of Nottingham’s China strategy both at Nottingham in the UK and in China. He was former Deputy Principal and Head of the Business Schools at the University of Stirling and Pro Vice-Chancellor at the University of Sheffield. He has also held Chairs in Japanese Studies at Stirling and East Asian Studies at Sheffield.

Professor Gow holds a PhD in Japanese Studies and has served as Director of the Scottish Centre for Japanese Studies and Chairman of the Sheffield School of East Asian Studies. He has held visiting professorships at Saitama University and Tokyo University and has published extensively in English and Japanese. However he has strongly supported the development of Chinese Studies and Sino-Chinese relations and was responsible for the establishment of the Centre of Contemporary Chinese Studies at the University of Sheffield and was the founding Director of the Institute of Contemporary Chinese Studies at the University of Nottingham. He has served as a member of the HEFCE (Higher Education Funding Council England) Committee on Chinese Studies and was the lead academic on HEFCE’s Sino-UK Management of Change Project.

He holds Distinguished Professorships from Tongji University, Wanli University and Hunan University and is the special adviser to the President of Hunan University. Professor Gow served as a member of the UK Government’s Office of Science and Technology’s Asia-Pacific Science and Technology Committee and was also a member of the Steering Committee of the Economic and Social Research Council’s Pacific Asia Project. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society Arts and Commerce and an Honorary Fellow of the Institute of Linguists.
Professor Paul Gough will become Pro-Vice Chancellor and Executive Dean of the Faculty of Creative Arts and Professor Colin Fudge will become Pro-Vice Chancellor and Executive Dean of the Faculty of Environment and Technology. These appointments are effective from 1 January 2007 to enable full involvement with the arrangements for their respective Faculties in the run-up to the new Faculty structure from September 2007.

Professor Ian Gow will join the University later this year as Pro-Vice Chancellor and Executive Dean of Bristol Business School (see page 3 on Ian’s recent OBE for more detail on his impressive achievements).

Sir Howard Newby said, “I’m delighted to confirm these appointments. Paul, Colin and Ian have proven themselves to be talented leaders with the vision, energy and creativity to manage the direction for the new Faculties of Creative Arts and Environment and Technology and the Business School. I’m also delighted to be welcoming Ian Gow on board this year. I know we can all look forward to some interesting and exciting times ahead.”

“The other three substantive Deans, Professor Ron Ritchie, Professor Alan Bensted and Professor Geoff Channon have each indicated to me that they do not want to be considered for the Executive Deanships in their respective new Faculties.”

Professor Ron Ritchie will continue to lead the School of Education within the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities as Dean. Professor Alan Bensted will step down as Dean of Law at the end of this academic year. He will continue to be Assistant Vice-Chancellor, with particular responsibility for overseas recruitment, especially in Asia. Professor Geoff Channon will step down as the Dean of HLSS at the end of this academic year. He will continue as assistant Vice-Chancellor and develop the Centre for Intercultural Communication working on the University’s internationalisation agenda, including the future development of European partnerships.

Professor Paul Gough is the RWA Professor of Fine Arts and director of the UWE Research Centre PLACE ‘a centre for visual arts research into place, location, and context’.

Paul Gough has been Dean at Bower Ashton since 2001. During this period AMD has increased its student population, especially its graduate school, and extended its range of strategic alliances and collaborations – to include Aardman Animations, Watershed, Arnolfini and Hewlett Packard. As part of its campus strategy the faculty has studio accommodation in the newly refurbished Spike Island and in Bush House, above the Arnolfini. In summer 2006 work began on an 18 month 11.9 million capital programme at Bower Ashton.

A painter, broadcaster and author Paul has published extensively in the visual and material culture of peace and conflict in the 20th/21st century. As a painter, he has exhibited widely in the UK and abroad, and is represented in the permanent collection of the Imperial War Museum, London and the Canadian War Museum, Ottawa. A monograph on the British painter Stanley Spencer was published in 2006. During ten years work as television presenter, researcher and associate producer he worked for ITV, BBC and C4 on a wide range of creative arts programmes from dance to drama, poetry to painting, including the award winning documentary Redundant Warrior, about the photographer Don McCullin.

In an extensive portfolio of research roles Paul is on the Strategic Advisory Group of the Arts and Humanities Research Council and chair of its ‘Landscape and Environment’ commissioning panel. Having been a panel member for RAE 2001 and on the HEFCE Research Capability Fund panel he is chair of sub-panel 63 in RAE 2008 with responsibility for art and design.

Professor Colin Fudge is Pro Vice-Chancellor (Research and RAE advice, Estates advice) and Dean of CEMS. He was previously Pro Vice-Chancellor and Dean of the Faculty of Built Environment (1995-2005), Director of Environmental Services, Bath City Council (1990-95), Professor of Urban Environment, University of Cardiff (1990-05), Senior Lecturer University of Bristol (1975-1990) and Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry for Planning, Environment and Aboriginal Affairs Australia (1983-86).

He holds degrees in Architecture and Town and Regional Planning and was awarded an honorary fellowship of the Royal Institute of British Architects (2001) and the title of Royal Professor of Environment by the Swedish Academy of Sciences in 2002 for his work on urban sustainability.

Currently he is Chair, EU Expert Group on the Urban Environment and adviser to DGs Environment and Research; Visiting Professor European University, Florence, Chalmers University Sweden, and the Alliance for Global Sustainability (MIT, Tokyo, ETH Zurich, Chalmers); board member, Chalmers University; Cities Advisory Board, LSE; adviser on the Anglo-Swedish Ministerial Round Table on climate change and to the Swedish Research Councils, FORMAS and MISTRA.

At a regional level Professor Fudge is Chair of Creating: Excellence; South West representative of CABE; Chair SW Design Forum; Chair SW HERDA Research Committee and Board member of Great Western Research, Bristol Initiative, Science City, SPark and SWRDA EU Structural Funds Committee.

Colin’s research interests are in the areas of cities health and sustainable futures and he has published extensively in these fields and has worked internationally in the EU, Scandinavia, Australia and New Zealand, Japan and Southern Africa for WHO, EU, UNESCO, OECD, UNDP and SIDA.
UWE partner wins Guardian award

Bristol Community Housing Foundation (BCHF), a close neighbour and partner with UWE has won a national award for public services for the financial assistance offered to people living in the redeveloped Upper Horfield Estate in Bristol.

The Guardian Public Services Awards are offered to reward excellence practised in all sectors of public service including the police, fire service, housing, finance and procurement. BCHF won ‘overall winner’ category against competition of over 500 entries.

David Garnett (FBE) an expert in Housing Economics and Finance chairs the board of BCHF. He said, “We are delighted that the finance scheme offered to tenants of the Upper Horfield development has been recognised in this way. The scheme has been praised as an excellent example of partnership working, in this case between BCHF, Bristol City Council, Purdown Credit Union, Royal Bank of Scotland and BOVIS homes that should be replicated nationally.”

Oona Goldsworthy, BCHF Chief Executive, “One of the key challenges facing the project was how to fund the rebuild when irreparable concrete cancer was found in the old 1920s buildings. The council took the decision to demolish the homes and rebuild new social housing. BOVIS bought the land and the right to develop a proportion of the site for private housing and the money used from the land sale part paid for new build social housing. The reminder of the money needed was borrowed and will be paid back over 30 years from rent paid by tenants.

“It was critical for us to ensure that tenants would be able to meet rent payments. We are working with people who are poor and vulnerable to doorstep lenders so we needed to put in place a credit option for people to help them avoid getting into financial trouble. We needed to be sure that we could meet our responsibilities to the bank but at the same time help our tenants manage their finances. Our link with Purdown Credit Union gives people access to credit at a low interest rate and helps people who have financial problems get back on track.”

The Guardian Overall Winner public services award was presented to BCHF at a ceremony on 6 December in London.

UWE works very closely with BCHF and has a long standing relationship. David Garnett explains, “Our relationship is very much a two way flow. We help with staff training and BCHF offer student placements. My own involvement as chair of the Board of BCHF is very recent – this award is well deserved and the project is an excellent example of successful interagency working.”

Toon Boom supports UWE’s storyboarding competition

Toon Boom Animation Inc, world leaders in animation software solutions, will join forces with UWE, Aardman Animations and MEDIA for what promises to be the most exciting storyboard competition ever. Toon Boom has agreed to add to the growing list of enticing prizes that will be presented to the creator of the winning storyboard.

The lucky winner will not only win three months free professional 2D (drawn) or 3D (stop motion model/clay) animation training at the Bristol School of Animation they will also, courtesy of Toon Boom, win a free copy of Toon Boom Storyboard to the value of £450.

Toon Boom Storyboard is a powerful digital storyboarding system, perfectly suited to traditional and paperless methods and a must-have for all animation and live-action projects.

Professor Paul Gough (Dean, BSAMD) said, “We are really excited to welcome Toon Boom as a key partner for the storyboarding competition: they are widely recognised as industry leaders in the creation of animation software solutions. The lucky winner will have a head start if they decide to pursue a career in animation.”

To enter the competition applicants must produce an original and creative storyboard for a TV or film advertisement which could be used to promote the European animation industry to a worldwide market at international film fairs and business conferences. The aim of the advertisement is to increase international circulation of European animation, for film, television and new media industries, emphasising the cultural diversity that Europe has to offer.

Closing date for entries is Friday 9 March 2007. For more information regarding the storyboard competition or to receive an application form and storyboard template, please contact us using the following methods:

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Government watchdog names Hartpury as one of the top training providers

Hartpury College has been named as one of the top training providers in the country by the Adult Learning Inspectorate. Chief Inspector, David Sherlock, named Hartpury College as being one of 151 organisations to receive ‘good’ or ‘outstanding’ grades for every aspect of its training.

David Sherlock said, “I am delighted to be able to name Hartpury College as one of this year’s outstanding providers. They have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to achieving the very highest standards in the quality of land based training they offer. Hartpury students can be confident that they will receive first-class support to reach their full potential. To be one of the top providers in the country is a tremendous achievement and a great credit to the team at Hartpury.”

Commenting on the report, Hartpury College Principal, Malcolm Wharton, said, “I am delighted and very proud of the staff and students here at Hartpury. To be rated so highly in many areas and ranked amongst the best colleges in England shows the dedication of all those connected with the College.”

David Sherlock added, “The ultimate aim of inspection is to improve quality standards and ensure young people and adults are getting the best possible education and training. This year we can celebrate a phenomenal improvement in the performance of the learning and skills sector. Learning provision for adults is better, more varied, more closely linked to achieving fulfilment in life and work and more inclusive of our people than ever before. That is the stuff of delight. It should give intense satisfaction to all who have contributed to its realisation, but most of all to the providers themselves.”

UWE leads in Forensic Science

The Forensic Science Society has accredited all four Forensic Science degrees in the Faculty of Applied Sciences making the university one of the top providers of Forensic Science education in the UK. UWE is one of just four universities to gain official recognition for the quality of professional training.

Until recently Forensic Science as an academic discipline has not had an official professional accreditation process. This has made it difficult for potential students to gauge the quality of the courses that include a Forensic Science element currently offered by over 35 UK universities.

Dr Carolyn Morton, who devised and manages the Forensic Science degree programmes, said, “This is wonderful news for the University and we are delighted that our hard work has led to a proper accreditation for the courses we run. This will improve employment prospects for our graduates as the accreditation demonstrates that they have achieved an industry standard level of training.

“The accreditation measures each course against three component standards in the areas of Crime Scene Investigation; Laboratory Analysis and Interpretation; Evaluation and Presentation of Evidence. We currently run four separate Forensic Science degrees at UWE and each gained the full accreditation in each area. The three other institutions that gained accreditation all run just one undergraduate course so it looks as though UWE is leading the way in this discipline.”

Dr Morton set up Forensic Science at UWE in 1985 when she taught it as one component of the Law degree. The full time BSc was launched in 2001 by the then Chief Constable of Avon and Somerset Steve Pilkington, a part-time course and Psychology and Forensic Science was introduced in 2003, followed by Forensic Biology in 2005, Forensic Chemistry and Environmental Forensics are due to start in 2007 and an MSc in Forensic Genetics is due to start in September 2007.

The courses have had some great employment success with students progressing into work in the Forensic Science Service; the police, Crime Scene Investigation Units, teaching, laboratory work and some students opting to work towards PhD. During the past three years two UWE students have won the Forensic Science Society poster competition at the organisation’s summer conference. Dr Morton continues, “Demand for the course at UWE has been phenomenal. Not all of our students choose to enter the Forensic Science service at the end of course but the qualifications have proved to successfully transfer to many employment opportunities such as teaching and the police force in crime investigation units.”

Sir Howard Newby, Vice-Chancellor, said, “The full accreditation for each course is testament to the quality of the forensic science programmes at UWE. Our graduates leave UWE armed with a qualification that will stand them in good stead for their future in many fields both within and outside the Forensic Science arena. Well done to Carolyn and her team.”

Alfred Morris launches new rowing boats

On 6 December 2006 UWECB were out in full force on Bristol’s historic harbour side for their Boat Naming Ceremony and Plum Pudding Races.

UWECB unveiled three new boats; one Vespoli 8+ (coxed eight) and two Aylings 4X (quads). The boats were unveiled by Alan Wylie from ABA Engineering who is a proud sponsor of the rowing club and who financed the buying of the two quads and Alfred Morris CBE, High Sheriff Elect of Gloucestershire and Chairman of North Bristol NHS Trust.

The ceremony followed the traditional theme of spraying the boats with champagne and then launching them into the water for the first time.

Alfred Morris christens one of the new boats with champagne.
Midwifery education wins top award

A training pack and video, developed by UWE health experts in partnership with North Bristol NHS Trust, that helps midwives to look out for evidence of domestic violence during pregnancy has won the Johnson's Baby Award for Excellence in Midwifery Education. This important award was presented by HRH Princess Anne at the Royal College of Midwives awards in London on Monday 27 November. The awards were also attended by Secretary of State, Patricia Hewett and the Royal College of Midwives General Secretary, Dame Karlene Davis.

The training pack was initially developed for the Bristol Pregnancy Domestic Violence Programme. The programme aimed to equip community midwives with the knowledge and confidence to enquire effectively about domestic violence in the antenatal period. A six-fold increase in disclosure rates was identified during the evaluation period when the programme was introduced in 2005. The training pack from the course is nationally recognised and used extensively to train midwives and others throughout the country.

Kathleen Baird, Senior Lecturer in Midwifery, Sally Price, Consultant Midwife and Debra Salmon, Reader in Community Health from UWE led the programme development. Kathleen Baird said, “It is brilliant to be recognised by experts working in the same field as having made an important contribution towards developing a sensitive response to domestic violence during pregnancy. The award will help our efforts to promote and disseminate training more widely not just nationally but internationally. The training pack has already had take up in Iceland, Australia and the USA and we are also forging links with Ghana.”

Ann Remmers, Director of Midwifery from North Bristol NHS Trust, said, “We are delighted to have won this prestigious award which acknowledges the commitment of our midwives to continually improving services for mothers and babies. This was a great opportunity for practitioners and researchers to work together in a collaboration between the two organisations that enabled the integration of education and practice.”

Sir Howard Newby, Vice-Chancellor, said, “Congratulations to Debra Salmon and Kathleen Baird and the team from North Bristol NHS Trust. This award is great news as it highlights UWE’s commitment to and success at sharing knowledge with the wider local, national and international community. The programme shows tremendous success in the development of professional training that is relevant and we are proud that our researchers have produced work that has become a national benchmark for excellence.”

Over 150,000 UK children have one parent in prison

Thousands of UK children have started the New Year without one of their parents at home as the number of UK prisoners reaches an all-time high. The effects on family members when a relative is in prison can have far reaching consequences – particularly for children – and the number of children now coping with this situation is greater than it has ever been.

A new report, written by Professor Roy Light (Law) and Bryony Campbell (Law) and published in The Journal of Social Welfare and Family Law (Vol 29 no1) in January highlights the problems faced by the families of prisoners including the emotional and financial difficulties they face, and presents an overview of the problems they struggle to deal with.

The key findings of this new report focus on the ways in which prisoners’ families can be helped to cope, and the benefits both to the individuals and to society of maintaining family ties despite a prison sentence.

Professor Light says, “More than 150,000 children a year are affected by the imprisonment of a parent and now that the prison population has officially exceeded the 80,000 mark (on 1 December 2006 the figure was 80,175) for the first time, the number affected is greater than it has ever been. It is over 40 years since the first academic study of prisoners’ families (Morris, 1965) was carried out and the prison population at that time was 30,421.

“This research has shown that the effects on the innocent families of prisoners – particularly children can be very far reaching. The absence of a parent can cause emotional distress, educational problems and can lead to the break up of families. All these effects have negative consequences in society and can lead to further problems for the children as they grow up.

“Evidence shows that maintaining family relationships while an offender is in prison has a significant effect on re-offending rates, and helps to protect children from the adverse affects of losing a parent to prison.”

In 1989, Professor Light organised a meeting at UWE which helped to set up the National Federation of Prisoners’ Families Support Groups. Now known as Action for Prisoners’ Families (APF) with offices in London, Norwich and Nottingham, this group has evolved to provide a network of valuable support and information for prisoners families.

Lucy Gampell, Director of APF says, “We very much welcome this fresh look at the needs of prisoners’ families by Professor Light. Whilst there has been considerable progress in improving visits conditions and in recognising the potentially important role families can play in reducing re-offending, it is clear that there is still scant recognition of the emotional damage caused to children and families by imprisonment and that the struggles families face in coping with the situation have changed little in the past 40 years.”

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**New chest pain textbook launched by HSC**

John Albarran and Jenny Tagney of HSC have edited a textbook entitled *Chest Pain: Advanced Assessment and Management Skills* published at the end of January by Blackwell Publishing.

The book aims to equip a wide range of practitioners with the knowledge and clinical skills needed to differentiate and respond to patients whose primary reason for seeking health care advice involves chest pain. The first section of the book deals with policy, assessment skills, history taking and making a diagnosis, and the second deals with cardiac and non-cardiac causes of chest pain. A range of clinical conditions can trigger chest pain, including angina, acute coronary syndromes, pulmonary embolism, musculoskeletal causes or coronary heart disease. Among the more unusual causes of chest pain is cocaine misuse.

John is Principal Lecturer in Critical Care and Jenny is a Nurse Consultant at UBHT and doctoral student in HSC. The book represents a collaborative effort with other members of HSC (Helen Cox, Jackie Younker, Jonathan Benger and Rebecca Hoskins), Coventry University and Oxford Brookes University. Of his particular contributions, John commented, “One of the chapters deals with the challenges of assessing women whose cardiac symptoms may present as atypical of a heart attack. This means that this group of patients may experience delays in getting treatments. This chapter was informed by recent research conducted with Dr Brenda Clarke (HSC) and Sister Jenny Crawford, formerly of the Coronary Care Unit at Southmead Hospital, and by previous work where we identified that gender differences in the radiation of cardiac pain as reported by patients exists.”


*Jenny Tagney and John Albarran of HSC with their new book on chest pain*

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**Keeping drivel at bay … a new software tool**

John Rugg (CSA) has developed a new tool for testing the readability and accessibility of written English which will be downloadable from the Plain English Campaign website.

John developed the software, which is called Drivel Defence in conjunction with the Plain English Campaign and UWE staff helped to carry out an evaluation of the software.

John says, “There are two versions. The first one allows you to check any text by copying it from any computer application and pasting it into a checking window. It will give you a detailed report on your Plain English and can help with writing clear letters and reports for example. There is a second version which can help web developers check the Plain English content of their web pages.”

Ben Beer of the Plain English Campaign says, “We are very grateful to John for his considerable efforts in creating this software, which we hope people across the English-speaking world will find useful. For far too long, public information websites have been cluttered with impenetrable information and gobbledygook. Using Drivel Defence makes it easy for web editors and journalists to check that their webpages are written in plain, accessible English.”

The programmes are free from: http://www.plainenglish.co.uk/index.htm

*John Rugg (left) with Ben Beer*

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**Small Island Read 2007**

UWE is taking part in the 2007 Bristol Great Reading adventure by distributing 500 copies of the novel *Small Island*, by Angela Levy, through UWE libraries for staff and students who want to take part. There will also be a number of associated events which will be open to all readers.

If you would like to take part pick up a free copy from any of the Campus libraries between 11 January and 31 March. Copies of the reading guide will also be available.

This year Bristol joins with partners in Hull, Glasgow, Liverpool and across the South West for *Small Island Read* 2007. Copies of Small Island are also available for loan through Bristol libraries or to collect for free from designated collection points. If you obtain a free copy please pass it on to another reader or return it to the collection point once you have finished with it so as many as possible have a chance to join the project. An online reader survey can be completed at the *Small Island Read* 2007 website. www.smallislandread.com
Partnership with Inti University College continues to strengthen

UWE is building a comprehensive relationship with Inti International University College, Malaysia, which will significantly strengthen our international profile particularly in South East Asia. In line with the UWE Internationalisation Strategy, the partnership with Inti, one of the most prestigious private institutions in the region, will include collaborative delivery of a range programmes in Malaysia, Hong Kong and will provide progression opportunities for students in China and India. The partnership was formally recognised with the signing of a Memorandum of Agreement when President Tan, CEO of Inti met with Sir Howard Newby on a visit to UWE in December.

Professor Alan Bensted, Sir Howard Newby, President Tan, CEO, Inti International University College and Lau Chee Kwong, Dean, Faculty of Business and Accounting, Inti International University College

myUWE portal goes live

myUWE, the new University portal that gives single sign-on access to a range of new and established web services will be launched in February. Barry Cawthorne, Chair of the Portal Management Group said, “myUWE will allow users to receive information and services across the Web that are personalised to them as individuals or as members of a group.

“The new portal will allow students to maintain some aspects of their student record like term and home addresses, mobile numbers, personal e-mail addresses, and access e-mail, UWEonline and their timetable without meeting further log-in challenges. This involves real-time access and updating of their record in ISIS. Students can also check that their provisional coursework marks as recorded in ISIS accord with the marks awarded when their work is returned. There is also a news channel and a bookmarks channel.”

Those who have participated in the portal pilot will have access to the production system from its first day. Access for all other students and staff will be phased in over February on a daily basis alphabetically by surname.

Barry continues, “This summer we allowed undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Sciences who had passed all their modules to re-enrol and pay their fees on-line. This facility will be available to all undergraduate students in a similar position in the summer of 2007.

“Another feature will support the submission and collection of coursework through the portal. Staff will have access to UWEonline, bookmarks and the news channel. Those authorised will also be able to make announcements to students. Academic staff will be able to view and print the photographs of students on any teaching activity to which they are attached in Syllabus Plus.”

Richard Egan, IT Services, advises that “myUWE has a link on the UWE home page and can be reached at my.uwe.ac.uk. An extensive support site is available from myUWE and this offers guidance including when new users will gain access.”

Barry concludes, “This is a new and exciting system with enormous scope for further development which we expect will considerably enhance the academic experience of our students. We hope both staff and students enjoy using it.”

For more information about myUWE and the history of the portal project visit info.uwe.ac.uk/myUWE or contact my@uwe.ac.uk.

UWE students strike lucky in survey draw

Two UWE students have won prizes in a draw of 150,000 students taking part in the Futuretrack Research Project - a longitudinal study of degree and career choices. The research which started in 2006 is sponsored by Graduate Prospects and will track the university careers and subsequent career choices of over 150,000 students attending UK universities.

Both Kelly Richards (left) and Jessica Robinson (right) were randomly drawn amongst 60 students who had put their names forward to take part in the research. Kelly won a prize of £1,000 and Jessica received £500. The cheques were presented by John Clarke, Head of the Career Development Unit at UWE.

John Clarke, said, “We were amazed and delighted to find that of 60 students drawn out of a sample of 150,000 two UWE students have been lucky enough to receive substantial prizes. We hope this helps with their studies and that they will continue to engage with the research project over the next few years.”

Futuretrack 2006 will track students who applied for entry to HE courses starting in Autumn 06 for six years through their studies and into employment. The study is funded by the Higher Education Careers Services Unit (HECSU) and undertaken by Professors Kate Purcell and Peter Elias at the University of Warwick. For further details see www.hecsu.ac.uk
University appoints first Travel Planner

Steve Ward (left) has been appointed as the University’s new Travel Planner based within House Services. Steve who studied Transport Planning and graduated in 2005 has been appointed to this new role to enable greater co-ordination of all aspects of travelling to and from the University.

Steve says, “Since arriving here I have been impressed and amazed that since studying here two years ago such an enormous physical expansion has taken place on campus, coupled with ever greater advances in the quality of learning that has taken UWE into the premier league of the UK’s higher education institutions.

“I am aware that my appointment represents the beginning of a significant investment by the University in its desire to see travel at UWE rise to meet these high standards. So now I want to see a massive improvement in bus services as the highest priority. Equally, the University’s car parks, which have seen considerable investment, need to be managed fairly for those who need to use them. And as a regular cyclist at Frenchay and around Bristol, I will be talking to others on and off their bikes to identify those vital improvements that we can bring in straight away to reward their more sustainable travel choices.

“Sustainability in all its measures needs to be at the heart of travel policies at UWE, and I want the experience of students and staff arriving here to reflect this agenda from their first day on campus. This is how I will support the University’s status as a growing centre of innovation and excellence.”

Speaking about the new appointment Chris Abbott says, “We are delighted to have Steve joining us and we hope this new role will bring benefits for both staff and students. This role underpins the University’s commitment to sustainability and to providing the best possible experience for current and future students.”

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Unconventional Computation Group finds Japanese partners

A representative delegation of Japanese professors from Tokyo, Nagoya, Hiroshima and Sendai visited UWE, for the ‘First International Workshop on Natural Computation’. They aimed to enhance Anglo-Japanese collaboration in this interdisciplinary field, whose general goal might be summarised as the quest for non-standard algorithms, and physical, chemical and biological implementations of novel and powerful computing paradigms and machines.

Being an emerging discipline, unconventional computing has no formal structure and many groups seek to support work on a purely voluntary collaborative basis, perhaps written under their home institutes. Research in unconventional computing often rests with a few committed individuals, sometimes working against the principal directions of their ‘home’ discipline. The workshop helped the researchers to gain critical mass, to develop disciplinary consciousness and collective identity.

This workshop brought together work that focuses on non-traditional theoretical constructions, experimental prototypes and genuine implementations of non-classical computing devices. The workshop made an incredibly strong impact on the development of emerging and novel computing paradigms and architectures worldwide, and put the UK at the leading edge of research in non-classical computing systems. The business part of the two-day meeting led to the outline structure of the future Anglo-Japanese Centre in Unconventional Computing to be set-up at UWE.

Amongst the many participants of the event there were internationally recognised Japanese super-stars of natural computation, including Professor Masami Hagiya (Department of Computer Science, Graduate School of Information Science and Technology, University of Tokyo), Professor Kenichi Morita (Department of Information Engineering, Graduate School of Engineering, Hiroshima University), Professor Kazuto Tominaga (School of Computer Science, Tokyo University of Technology), Dr Masahiko Hiratsuka (Department of Information and Communication Engineering, Sendai National College of Technology) and Dr Yasuhiro Suzuki (Department of Complex Systems Science, Graduate School of Information Science, Nagoya University). Further enquiries can be forwarded to the event organisers Professor Andrew Adamatzky (andrew.adamatzky@uwe.ac.uk) and Professor Yasuhiro Suzuki (ysuzuuki@is.nagoya-u.ac.jp). Additional information can be found at websites of the Natural Computing Research Group, Information Processing Society of JAPAN http://sci-lab.nsf.tcl; and Unconventional Computing Group, UWE http://uncomp.uwe.ac.uk/

FBE triumphant in five-a-side league

In September 2006 the inaugural staff five-a-side league began. Six teams from around the University took part in what ended up being a fantastic three months of football. The Faculty of the Built Environment were a force to be reckoned with and won the league comfortably with nine wins and only one draw. Ermir Ademi from the Finance team won the top scorer trophy with a remarkable goal tally of 18.

All the games were played on the indoor football pitch at the new sports centre on Frenchay Campus where everyone was impressed with the new facilities. The league has proved to be very popular and another six teams join the league beginning this January. For more information, visit www.uwe.ac.uk/ATG/uweleague
Honorary graduates 2006

The following individuals were awarded honorary degrees by the University this academic year in recognition of their outstanding contribution in a particular field:

**Henry Elwes**
Doctor of Laws in recognition of his outstanding record of service to Gloucestershire; local government; charities; farming; horticulture; and the promotion of higher education, in particular his promotion of University status for Cheltenham & Gloucester College of Higher Education.

**Master Robert Turner**
Doctor of Laws in recognition of his outstanding public service and work for the law and the legal profession.

**Professor Siân Griffiths OBE**
Doctor of Science in recognition of her outstanding contribution to the promotion of public health, her leadership in the field, her contribution to knowledge, and her championing of the importance of a vibrant and active multidisciplinary public health workforce.

**Professor Gordon Wilcock**
Doctor of Science in recognition of his outstanding professional achievements, both as a consultant in geriatric care and in related research in the field of dementia and Alzheimer’s disease, and in the development of care in the local, regional and national communities.

**Tim Smit CBE**
Doctor of Design in recognition of his outstanding achievements, both in the promotion of the understanding and practice of the responsible management of the vital relationship between plants, people and resources and in his role in the restoration of the Lost Gardens of Heligan and the Eden Project which have made a major contribution regionally, nationally and internationally to sustainable development, tourism, architecture and landscape architecture.

**Alfred Morris CBE DL**
Doctor of Laws in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the development of the University of the West of England both in the role of Vice-Chancellor and formerly as the Director of Bristol Polytechnic.

**Chris Watson**
Doctor of Technology in recognition of his outstanding contribution to sound recording technology, especially in the field of natural history and documentary location sound.

**Dr Simon Singh MBE**
Doctor of Technology in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the public understanding of science, in particular in the promotion of science, engineering and mathematics in schools and in the building of links between universities and schools.

**Professor Arthur KC Li**
Doctor of Laws in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the development of HE in Hong Kong and to the special relationship between the universities in Hong Kong and the University of the West of England.

**Ray Priest**
Doctor of Education in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the contemporary debate about education and schools, and especially in recognition of his achievements as Principal of the City Academy, Bristol.
UWE graduates challenge online fashion retailers

Two UWE graduates have launched an online women's fashion website www.jacobelle.co.uk with the aim of challenging some of the biggest online retailers.

Sarah Tran who studied for a BA in Marketing had a lifelong ambition to open a fashion boutique which would sell unique and alternative clothing away from generic styles. The only problem she had with a traditional brick and mortar store was that she would not be able to reach a wide variety of people, and key locations for a store, such as London were out of her grasp. With the help and knowledge from a fellow student Mike Brett, BA(Hons) she has been able to transfer her passion onto the internet.

Mike says, "The benefit of going online is that you can target customers on a national or even international scale and this can give the consumer alternative choices to mainstream wear. We intend to attract customers to our store by providing many key services that the larger retailers offer, in terms of customer service, promotions and up-to-date fashion news. Jacobelle also brings an individualistic approach to fashion by moving away from generic styling. The collections include exclusive and up and coming brands that allow customers to express their own personal style."

"We have also priced items competitively with Jacobelle's own items averaging £30 to other brands that have exquisite details and fine tailoring, such as AnnaRita N which range from £85 to £310. We have created the Jacobelle website to make the whole online shopping experience straightforward and simple to browse. Many online stores are cluttered with too many brands and an overwhelming amount of information that leads to confusion. Jacobelle represents another option for shoppers looking for that something a little bit different."

Mike also found the course at Bristol Business School helped him in developing the website and setting up the business, "UWE gave me the grounding I needed from the knowledge of how to start up a business to my placement in industry giving me the hands on experience!!"

The duo have now launched their website and are looking forward to the hard work of making their business a success.

UWE success at British rowing championships

The University Boat Club (UWEBC) is celebrating recent successes at the British Indoor Rowing Championships on the 12 November and at the Fuller's Fours Head of the River Race on Saturday 18 November.

At the British Indoor Rowing Championships, held at the NIA in Birmingham, UWEBC came away with a bronze medal in the BUSA Women's Heavyweight Team Event, with a time of 3 minutes 53.6 seconds. Other UWEBC competitors did well -especially the novice men who were doing their first ever 2,000m race.

The 52nd Fuller's Head of the River Fours, which takes place over a course from Mortlake to Putney on the River Thames in London, saw UWEBC out in full force with a total of seven crews. Both quads and sweep-oar fours did exceptionally well against the fierce opposition from some of the world's oldest and most prestigious rowing clubs.

Club President, Arina Salhotra, said, "This is a fantastic start to the rowing calendar for UWEBC. We hope this success will continue and prosper as the year progresses."

Concrete award for student village

Professor Colin Fudge accepted the Concrete Society Award for the 'Best Building using Pre-cast Concrete in Britain for 2006' for UWE's student village. The award was presented at the Concrete Society Awards Dinner in November at the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre in Westminster.

The citation from the judges mentioned that ‘the three criteria on which construction projects are most often judged are time, cost and quality. On all three counts this project hits the bull's eye.’

The Concrete Award, which is made not surprisingly of concrete, has gone to Buchan's, the precast sub-contractors, for their 'reinforced' reception wall!

Faculty of Humanities, Languages and Social Sciences

The Fourth Annual Fullbrook Lecture: 15 February 2007, 18.30
The Chapel Lecture Theatre, St Matthias Campus

‘Americans in Europe: Selected Tales of Nineteenth and Twentieth-Century Expatriation’
Professor Janet Beer
Dean/Pro Vice Chancellor Manchester Metropolitan University

The lecture will talk briefly about Kate Fullbrook’s move from America to the UK and then will look at the tradition of expatriation among American intellectuals of the 19th and 20th centuries, focusing particularly on Henry James and Edith Wharton.

The Fullbrook Lecture was established to commemorate Professor Kate Fullbrook, who was Associate Dean of the Faculty of Humanities, Languages and Social Sciences until her death in July 2003. The lecture is given annually by an outstanding individual of international stature in an academic area in which Kate had a particular interest.

For further information or to reserve a place, please contact Rose.West@uwe.ac.uk or telephone 0117 32 84372.
Bristol Business School (BBS) recently held the latest in a series of Leadership seminars, ‘An Evening with Charles Handy’, in conjunction with the Association of MBAs (AMBA).

Management guru Charles Handy joined senior management professionals from Bristol and the South West to introduce his newly published book, The New Philanthropists at a seminar in November. The book portrays a new generation of practical philanthropists who have made their own fortunes and decided to use their experience, networks and resources to try to help those in need.

In his book Handy profiles a number of individuals and accompanies them with portraits by his photographer wife Elizabeth. The original prints were on display throughout the event. The individuals range from Body Shop founder Gordon Roddick to ex-Arsenal and England captain and former alcoholic Tony Adams.

Handy, who received an honorary Doctorate of Literature from the University in 1988, is a renowned business writer, broadcaster and noted observer of social change. He spoke of his exploration of the New Philanthropists, “They want to be involved, to do as well as to give. Such people are often entrepreneurial by nature, when they see something that needs doing they make it happen. They are entrepreneurial philanthropists, a new breed in Britain and other parts of the world.”

Handy found that each of the profiled individuals had at one time entered a new phase on life’s journey, “They were looking for something different because they had achieved success in the first stage of their life. They are all putting something back into society through active involvement in the projects that they fund.”

Charles Handy talked about a number of the individuals in his book such as Niall Mellon, a young Irish property developer, who is helping and funding a township in South Africa to replace their shacks with brick buildings: “Each year from Ireland he flies out an Airbus full of volunteers and craftspeople who build 50 homes a week.”

Charles Handy recognises that the world needs more such people. He hopes that by describing some of the good that these individuals do, others may be inspired to do likewise.

Wind farms are a positive draw for tourists according to a UWE researcher. Professor Cara Aitchison, Professor in Human Geography in the (FBE) has given evidence as an expert witness at a major public inquiry into the proposed wind farm development at Fullabrook, North Devon.

Professor Aitchison said, “In stark contrast to the views expressed by North Devon District Council my research demonstrates that the development of a wind farm in North Devon would not have an overall detrimental impact on tourism. The vast majority of tourists we surveyed in North Devon (87%) stated that the presence of a wind farm would neither encourage nor discourage them from visiting. Of the remaining 13%, slightly more would be encouraged to visit because of the presence of a wind farm. The majority of North Devon respondents thought that the wind farm would have no overall impact on the quality of their experience.

“Indeed, slightly more tourists felt that the wind farm would have a positive impact on their experience than felt it would have a negative impact and the majority of tourists actually thought wind farms could be tourist attractions in their own right.”

Professor Aitchison has been an expert witness on tourism at the public inquiry held in Barnstaple, North Devon on 28 November – 11 January. The inquiry relates to the proposal by Devon Wind Power Limited to develop a wind farm of 22 turbines, each 110 metres high from base to blade tip, with a combined installed capacity of 66 Megawatts. The site is on approximately 446 hectares of land around Fullabrook Down, between Barnstaple and Ilfracombe in North Devon, where tourism forms a major part of the local economy.

As the proposed development exceeds 50MW the application will be determined by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry and the public inquiry has offered an opportunity for all parties to put forward their views on the proposal. As well as the main parties, Devon Wind Power and the local authority, North Devon District Council, the inquiry has also heard from environmental organisations and political parties on both sides of the debate. The Green Party, the Green Business Forum and Friends of Fullabrook, a local campaigning group established to promote the development of renewable energy, have supported the proposal whilst the Campaign for the Protection of Rural England, the Campaign Against Wind Turbines and the local Liberal Democrat MP have voiced their opposition.

As a result of being sited in upland and coastal areas with high wind speeds, most wind farms are also located in or near popular rural leisure and tourism locations. In spite of this close physical relationship between wind farms and tourism there has been limited previous research examining tourists’ attitudes towards the location of wind farms in or near areas that they visit for holiday and/or leisure. However, the impact of turbines upon tourism is increasingly becoming one of the factors considered at public inquiries into wind farm proposals.

Professor Aitchison undertook extensive research to examine the potential impact of wind farm development in North Devon on tourism and supplemented her findings with research conducted in Cornwall and Wales where wind farms have been established for over a decade. A total of 379 day visitors and tourists were interviewed using a face-to-face questionnaire with the research examining the impact of wind farms on visitor numbers, the tourism experience and tourist expenditure.

The results of the research, together with Professor Aitchison’s evidence presented to the inquiry may also inform future planning inquiries relating to the development of wind farms in other parts of the country. The decision on Fullabrook wind farm application is expected to be announced by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry later this year.
Why ants don’t bump into each other

Dr Ana Sendova-Franks, a biologist and a statistician from the Faculty of Computer Studies and Mathematics has received a Leverhulme Trust Research Fellowship to look at ‘The Collective Intelligence of Movement in Ants’.

Ana is taking her passionate interest in ants to new levels with this research project which will attempt, for the first time, to understand and analyse how ants work co-operatively in a decentralised organisation and avoid bumping into each other.

The project involves using the latest technology to monitor and record the behaviour of a lab-based colony of around 500 ants. Each ant has been marked with an individual colour-coded marking, and the colony is videoed in a continuous video stream which is linked to a computer programme which records every movement of every ant.

Ana is able to observe the ants in their lab at the University of Bristol or watch them on her computer in her office at the Frenchay Campus. Once the data is collected Ana then has to analyse thousands of hours of video recordings and hundreds of pages of data, to look for the patterns, and rules of behaviour which may give clues as to how the ants work so well together.

Ana says, “Although collective ant behaviour has long been recognised both by scientists and social scientists as a valuable model for a co-operative society, we still don’t know how they actually achieve this sophisticated level of teamwork without a leader, or a blueprint to work from. How do they avoid gridlock?”

“Since the Victorian times scientists have been fascinated by collective ant behaviour, but it is the availability of new video and computer technology which is enabling us to take our interests in ants to a new level. A group of more than three mobile robots cannot accomplish a task because of mutual interference. How do tens of ants do it?

“In this project I will investigate how ants move inside their nest and test theories of labour division and colony size. The results will help our understanding of collective intelligence and apply to artificial intelligence and collective robotics."

In the emerging area of collective robotics a group of robots can be programmed to work on a single task such as picking up rubbish in a field but roboticists are still working on how to make the robots work together as a group without interfering with each other.

Groups of robots are still ‘bumping into each other’ whereas the humble ant is able to perform amazing tasks in a very complex society without interfering negatively with any of the other ants.

Ana says, “I am very excited by this project as I feel that this research will help our understanding of these amazing social insects and have implications for developing the potential of mobile robots and other artificial mobile agents.”

The project will last for a year and the results of Ana’s research will be published in journals on animal behaviour and behavioural ecology.

Dr Ana Sendova-Franks and the ants
Rob Cuthbert appointed Senior Associate for HEA

Professor Rob Cuthbert, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, (right) has been appointed as a Senior Associate by the Higher Education Academy for 2006-2007. His role will involve one day a week developing HEA events and programmes and working with HE institutions on developing learning and teaching strategy and the links between teaching and research.

Rob Cuthbert, who is a former Chair of the Society for Research into Higher Education, said; “It is a privilege to take on this role at such a crucial stage in the development of the HE sector and the Academy itself. It will be a pleasure to renew working relationships with some longstanding academic colleagues such as Paul Ramsden (the Academy’s chief executive), and to develop new partnerships on projects which should make a real difference for students and institutions in all parts of the UK.”
Association of University Administrators

The South West Region of the Association held its second regional event at Plymouth University on 19 October 2006, bringing together colleagues from across the region. Matthew McClelland, Programme Manager of the AUA’s Postgraduate Certificate in Professional Practice, gave an inspiring presentation on latest developments in the AUA Office and on the PG Cert; this developed into a sharing of experiences for participants and mentors and for those aspiring to join them.

The afternoon session was devoted to a game, with small teams competing to develop the largest branch of the AUA, by undertaking various tasks and gaining (or sometimes losing) members. Participants quickly became very involved in the game, with some fierce competition! At the conclusion of the day, we all agreed that it had been a good teambuilding event, but more importantly it had reminded us of the vast amount of expertise and experience in the room. We agreed that specific themes might be covered at future events, (eg student experience etc) to allow colleagues from other institutions to share experiences and good practice; we would open these events to non-members.

The UWE branch had its first meeting on 13 November 2006 with Sir Howard Newby, who praised professional services colleagues for their incredible support for UWE’s developments, particularly in the current climate of change. Members of the branch will meet once a term with Sir Howard, whose message to non-AUA members was “You have every encouragement to join and get involved in the AUA.”

Dates for your diary:
2 – 4 April 2007 – annual conference in Nottingham; 31 March – 2 April 2008 – annual conference in York
Visit aua@manchester.ac.uk for further details, or contact your Branch Co-ordinator, Helen Millican in the Academic Registry, Helen.Millican@uwe.ac.uk. And watch out for forthcoming branch and region events – networking for PG Cert participants and mentors; a second session by Tessa Harrison on being an Academic Registrar; enhancing the student experience.

UWE academic wins Allied Health Professions award

Sandy Thomas, a physiotherapy lecturer at (HSC) is a member of the Association of Chartered Physiotherapists in Respiratory Care (ACPRC) on-call project team who won the award for Excellence in Learning, Teaching, Development and Mentorship at the Allied Health Professions Awards ceremony on 3 November 2006. Sandy Thomas and Mary-Anne Broad presented the project to a panel of judges in October 2006.

The awards recognise and reward health professionals who are often overlooked, help raise their profile by showing their contribution to patient care, showcase new ways of working and encourage team and partnership working.

The ACPRC on-call project team decided to enter this project for consideration for an award in the category ‘Excellence in learning, teaching, development or mentorship'. The national on-call project was initiated in 2000 by Beverly Harden and Jane Cross and its work over the past six years has included the publication of on-call guidelines and an on-call survival book, the production of an on call training package (a comprehensive collection of lectures and presentations available on a CD-ROM), and the development of a self-evaluation tool for assessing competence in acute respiratory care.

Overall there were some 150 entries for the awards under eight different categories. Sandy Thomas and Matthew Quint attended the event on behalf of the team, and were delighted to win the award. The project team, which also included Paul Ritson, Ruth ten Hove and Suzanne Gough are pleased that the hard work they have undertaken has been recognised. They wish to highlight the contributions from others, particularly members of the ACPRC who have been involved in to the project since its conception. Thanks also go to UWE, Manchester Metropolitan University and the University of East Anglia and to Portsmouth, Cardiff, Southampton and Liverpool hospital trusts who have supported the team members in this venture.

Matthew Quint and Sandy Thomas (centre) receiving their awards from the panel

Yoga ‘an effective remedy for stress’

Staff at the University can benefit from in-house yoga sessions designed to help people with the effects of stress. The sessions are led by experienced yoga teacher, Saeed, who has over 18 years of teaching and has developed an approach which focuses on physical relaxation and developing awareness. Saeed says, “Stress is one of the most common and prevalent conditions in modern life today. ‘Yoga with Saeed’ at UWE can help you learn what causes stress in the first place and it offers the most practical and sensible method of managing stress. These techniques enable you to achieve emotional composure, piece of mind and physical relaxation. This is the key for dealing effectively with stress. Yoga is a self-healing philosophy; be stress aware and take positive action - positive action leads to happiness.”

‘Yoga with Saeed’ sessions are held every week at the Centre for Sport at Frenchay Campus on Friday evenings from 16:30 – 18:00 for staff, Wednesdays 14:00 – 15:30 (students) and on Tuesdays at the St Matthias gym (staff and students) 17:00 – 18:30. The cost is £6.00 per session for staff and £4.00 for students. All you need to do is turn up in comfortable clothing. For more information contact Joanna Bird on ext 82797 or see the website: www.yogawithsaeed.co.uk.
Meet theBizIdea sponsors!

Sponsors and supporters of theBizIdea Competition are busy offering advice and guidance to encourage staff, students and alumni who dream of setting up a brand new business or social enterprise. Around a hundred people have attended a series of seminars on subjects such as coming up with a good idea, finding money for your idea, and developing the idea. If you missed these, don’t worry, theBizIdea website is full of useful information and you can access the seminar presentations at http://crigs.uwe.ac.uk/intranet/business/thebizidea/default.asp

Interest in this year’s competition has far outstripped that of previous years. The next stage of the competition involves providing entrants with mentoring from business and social enterprise experts to enable them to develop their ideas into detailed plans.

Entrants through to the next round will be notified early February and will then be eligible for specialist one-to-one seminars. The deadline for detailed plans to be submitted is 23 March, and winners will be chosen at theBizIdea final on 2 May. Top prizes include a first prize of £5,000 plus a year’s free seat in a UWE Business Incubator. We know that an idea can strike you at any time so don’t hesitate to contact the Innovation and Enterprise Team at any time. They will be happy to offer advice or recommend resources.

UWE’s theBizIdea Competition sponsors (from left): Jane Silk, Chartered Institute of Marketing; Tracy King, Lloyds TSB; Bob Bartlett, Lloyds TSB; Peter Weeks, Business Link; Professor Stephen Hagen, UWE; Simon Rees, Haseltine Lake; Philip Comer, Chartered Institute of Marketing; Anna Keeling, Osborne Clarke; Alison Clarke, Haseltine Lake

Do you have experience of running your own business or social enterprise?

Any staff able to offer mentoring at this stage would be very welcome – please e-mail Katie.Gough@uwe.ac.uk or telephone 0117 32 83272 for more information.

UWE aims to transform primary schools in St Vincent and the Grenadines

Education experts from the Faculty of Education have just been appointed to help improve the quality of primary school teaching in St Vincent and the Grenadines in the Caribbean. The two year programme will work with local project support to enable headteachers, deputy heads and senior teachers throughout the island to study for an innovative UWE accredited degree in Education Leadership and Management. The main aim is to strengthen the quality of primary school teaching but it is also hoped that the link will foster a longer term relationship between the University and schools in St Vincent and the Grenadines, with continuing exchanges of ideas and support.

The Faculty of Education has a long history of responding to school needs both in this country and abroad. The courses will be delivered by a blend of distance learning and face-to-face sessions. The team of four experts involved in running the course have previously worked in partnership with overseas schools in Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Jamaica, Hungary and Latvia. The project will be launched in April and will begin with a period of intensive induction training. The teaching sessions will be held in The Girls’ High School, in the capital, Kingstown. Distance learning modules will be delivered by UWEOnline, the electronic learning support service of UWE.

Project leader John Lee, Reader in Education, said, “We had an excellent response when we visited a sample of schools recently. We tested the robustness of the UWEOnline system, and found it could be accessed and materials could be successfully downloaded even in remote primary school locations.”

The islands have around 110,000 inhabitants, are relatively isolated and have limited resources and opportunities to improve the network of primary schools. Education was identified as an area for improvement in St Vincent's national development plan. The Permanent Secretary of Education has supported this project, which is being funded by the European Union's programme of aid to Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific.

Professor Ron Ritchie said, "We are delighted that UWE’s proposal was successful, having been chosen from an initial shortlist of six applications. We are also hoping that the link with St Vincent will develop into an ongoing relationship with the creation of a Head Teachers’ Forum to exchange ideas and expertise between senior school staff from Bristol and from the islands."

The successful bid was co-ordinated by UWE’s Academic Consultancy Unit.
Latvia leadership link

Professor David James (EDU) recently visited Latvia, which has many links to UWE. His visit included giving two workshops for staff and doctoral students at the University of Latvia, where he is Visiting Professor. David then spent three days working as a facilitator with a group of 24 school heads and deputy heads in a new programme which aims to develop leadership capacity – eventually across the whole country.

David James said, “UWE has many connections with Latvia which go back to the early 1990s when the country had not long gained independence from the Soviet Union. Despite being the poorest country in the European Union (which it joined in 2004), Latvia has the fastest growing economy. EU membership has given a further impetus to collaboration of all kinds, including in the field of education.

“UWE is held in very high regard in Latvia, because we have a history of facilitating Latvian solutions rather than imposing models from outside. It is good to be building in new ways on our long-standing relationships. The work with school leaders is especially exciting, and there is a real buzz, a shared feeling that they can find and develop a new and more distinctive voice as leaders.”

Run jointly by the British Council (Latvia), the Latvian Ministry of Education and Riga City Council, the work is intended to form the basis for a wider European programme in due course. Professor Ron Ritchie will also contribute, drawing in particular on his research on distributed leadership.

The programme continues with further workshops in Latvia and visits to Bristol by the participants in 2007.

Putting sustainable development into practice

Professor Martin Symes and Dr Marie-Cécile Puybaraud (FBE) have recently completed a research project on The New Professionalism in Sustainable Development. Funded by the French Ministère de l’Equipement, and undertaken jointly with a team at the Université Pierre Mendès France in Grenoble, the project looked at the various ways in which knowledge about sustainable development can be put into practice and at the new forms of professional organisation which are coming into existence to make this possible. Case studies were undertaken in France and the Netherlands, countries with very different traditions of planning and architectural design, as well as in Britain.

To disseminate the results of this research, Martin Symes presented a paper on The Professionalisation of Expertise in Sustainable Development at the 19th Conference of the International Association of People Environment Studies held in Alexandria in September 2006 and Marie-Cécile Puybaraud presented a paper (jointly with Eric Henry from Grenoble) entitled Expertises, Compétences et Gestion de Projets de Construction Durable at a Conference of Plan Urbanisme Construction Architecture in Paris in October.

Among further outcomes, Marie-Cécile will be co-authoring a chapter in a book on this topic to be published by Documentation Française in 2007 and Martin is co-editing the fourth volume in the Routledge series Sustainable Urban Development which will include three chapters based on this project (to be published early in 2008).
Obituary
Gillian ‘Gill’ Hek, 1957-2006

Gill Hek died in hospital on 3 November after a short illness. Her death has been an enormous shock for her family and for her many friends and colleagues.

Gill was a Reader in Nursing Research in the Faculty of Health and Social Care and its Director of Research from 1999 to 2003. She joined the Faculty in 1996 as a result of the incorporation into UWE of those colleges of health which covered the Avon, Gloucestershire and Wiltshire area. Gill herself had been a Senior Education Manager at the Avon and Gloucestershire College of Health.

The incorporation was a difficult time for both the transferred staff (the colleges had been part of the National Health Service) and for university staff in the previous Faculty of Health and Community Studies who felt rather swamped by the new arrivals. Gill was one of those staff who played an absolutely pivotal role in helping to turn the present Faculty of Health and Social Care into the confident and mature Faculty that it is today. Gill saw the great advantages of the move to higher education in terms of raising the status of nursing through the development of evidence based practice.

During her period as Director of Research, she was not only able to progress this vision but to do this in a way which equally promoted the research of colleagues from social care and the allied health professions.

Gill was someone who generated great trust and inspired others to work to the highest professional standards. Gill was later to demonstrate these same skills when she took on the role of chairing the Faculty Research Ethics Committee early in 2003. Staff and students knew that they would be treated with absolute fairness irrespective of their discipline or methodological preferences.

Gill was also a highly successful researcher in her own right having caught the research ‘bug’ in the mid 1980s when she studied the health care needs of children with asthma. Future research highlights were to include the English National Board for Nurses and Midwives funded project on the Cancer Care Curriculum for nurses; research on preparing nurses for practice; the textbook with Pam Moule and Maggie Judd on Making Sense of Research; her advisory group role for the National Institute for Clinical Excellence on guidelines for nurses; her numerous articles; and in recent years the large and complex research project for the Department of Health (DH) on prison health care. Indeed, in the last two years, Gill had become a national figure in prison nursing debates with the DH project resulting in guidance going out on prison health to every prison in England.

Through all this success and achievement, Gill never allowed herself to become cut off from the grass roots of nursing. Respect for nurses and nurse lecturers were integral to Gill’s personality irrespective of whether they shared her passion for research. Perhaps, one reason for this is that getting into nursing was not straightforward for Gill. She left school at 16 with just seven CSEs, the minimum qualification for entry into nursing at 18. Gill managed to get a place at the Bristol and Weston School of Nursing and trained from 1976 to 1979. Gill was thus a great example of the importance of what we now call widening participation. Some people only flourish when they find their true vocation. Gill found nursing and her career was able to ‘take off’.

Despite all of these achievements, Gill had a real commitment to the importance of a work-life balance. She was devoted to her husband Rob, and especially loved her long summer motor cycle trips across Europe and America. She was a keen sportsperson excelling at both badminton and tennis and was a passionate gardener. Indeed, her garden was recently featured on the BBC television programme Gardener’s World. Her garden was included as it is part of the National Gardens Scheme – Gardens Open for Charity, and is advertised in the scheme’s Yellow Book 2006. Many of her friends will remember one of Gill’s summer barbeques in the garden which had a marvellous view of the Bristol Channel.

One way of remembering Gill is as a great gardener at work as well as at home. She had the patience, the will-power and the vision to nurture others. She took such pleasure from seeing colleagues grow and mature as nurses and/or researchers. She just loved to see the growing presence and the impact of Faculty colleagues at Research Conferences and especially those run by the Royal College of Nursing. Gill was a great researcher and a great nurse and will be sadly missed by her many colleagues and friends at UWE.

Robin Means

Geographical Association conference at UWE

The Bristol Branch of the Geographical Association held its autumn conference for sixth form students at UWE on 15 November, organised by Dr Chris Spencer (FBE). The conference was introduced by Alison Bailey (FBE) and included presentations on earthquake hazards and prediction in San Francisco by Dr Richard Mourne (FBE), globalisation and the battle for the high street by Dr Chad Staddon (FBE) and new kinds of tourism considering ethical, sustainable, just and fair trade issues by Dr Tim Gale (FBE).

The conference was attended by 170 Geography A-level students and teachers from around the Bristol area, Ricki Foti (year 13) from the Castle School, Thornbury, wrote: “The geography conference held at UWE was an important and enjoyable event for all who participated. The aim of the conference was primarily to provide case studies for AS and A2 Geography students to use in their exams on Globalisation, Tourism and Natural Hazards. The conference was extremely successful and beneficial to all who attended.”

This conference builds upon the long standing and successful relationship between the Bristol Branch of the Geographical Association and the staff of the School of Geography and Environmental Management (FBE).
Successful Nuffield studentship for Applied Sciences

Aline Marnef (left) has successfully completed an eight week Nuffield Foundation summer bursary working in the Faculty of Applied Sciences. The research project, Proteomic analysis of mRNA-bound proteins in Arabidopsis thaliana, studied how plants adapt to environmental stress by switching genes on and off, and used the well-studied plant Arabidopsis Thaliana as a model. Through the studentship Aline discovered that ‘patience, concentration, precision and the ability to solve problems’ are the basic skills of a researcher, and now plans to progress to a PhD, and perhaps a career in research.

Her supervisor, Dr Michael Ladomery (FAS), says, “The Nuffield bursary has enabled myself and colleagues Dr Hancock and Dr Desikan to initiate new research collaborations, and the project results will form the basis for a future grant application to extend the research begun by Aline.”

The bursary has been highlighted on the Nuffield Foundation website: http://www.nuffieldfoundation.org/go/grants/nsbur/page_440.html

Obituary
Carole Hewitt

On Saturday 25 November whilst helping with the Open Day at the Frenchay Campus, Carole Hewitt (Cleaning Services) collapsed. She was taken to Frenchay Hospital by ambulance, but passed away at 9.05.

Although Carole had not been at UWE long she was well liked and respected by staff and colleagues. She will be sorely missed. The funeral took place in Surrey, Carole’s place of birth.

Turning travel-time boredom into travel-time use

Are you bored with your usual journey to work? A team at the Centre for Transport and Society (FBE) is looking for volunteers to help with their research into Travel-Time Use in the Information Age. The team would like to transform your boring journey into a much more enjoyable experience.

Over the past three years the study has been developing a new approach to travel-time use. Using a diverse set of social research methods, from national surveys to ethnography, the team has investigated how people use their time when travelling, and how they might use it differently. Travel time, particularly by rail and bus, is ‘time for me and time to be me’ as one respondent put it. It is potentially time to prepare for what lies ahead at your destination, to imagine, to plan, to finish off a piece of work, but also to relax, to take time out, to enjoy the view. You are always transformed by the experience of a journey; as you make your journey, it also makes you.

From our survey of 26,000 rail passengers, the most popular activities whilst travelling were reading for leisure, window gazing/people watching and working/studying. And importantly, those who prepared for their journey, who took advantage of this ‘time out’, were much less likely to find it boring. So the team would like to help you prepare, perhaps quite unusually, for your journey, to help make it a more productive and a more pleasurable one.

To transform your journey contact Laura Watts (LauraJ.Watts@uwe.ac.uk) at the Centre for Transport and Society or visit the team website at www.traveltimeuse.org

‘Window-gazing’ was one of the most popular activities for people travelling by train

More BRIDGEs …

Dr Chris Perry and Dr Stephen Ryrie (CEMS) visited Saratov State Technical University (SSTU), Russia in December, to finalise plans for the delivery of IT training courses to academics and other professionals in Russia. UWE and SSTU have submitted bids to the British Council’s BRIDGE Scheme and to the EU’s TEMPUS Scheme to support the project, which is likely to last for several years from 2007. The BRIDGE Scheme supports collaborations between UK and Russian universities and, if successful, this would be UWE’s second BRIDGE project. Stephen Ryrie said “Saratov State Technical University is one of the leading technological universities in Russia. CEMS is looking forward to a successful partnership with them, initially in the field of Information Technology and later, I hope, in other fields too”.

Dr Olga Dolinina, Head of International Relations and Head of Applied Information Technologies Department, SSTU, Dr Chris Perry, Postgraduate Director, CEMS, and Dr Stephen Ryrie, Associate Dean, CEMS
Grand designs for the urban renaissance

There is evidence of new development all around us in Bristol, new flats and houses on almost every spare piece of land, and who can have failed to see the work being carried out for the extension of Broadmead? Is this a genuine renaissance that we can celebrate or is there much more to be done to secure well-designed sustainable urban areas for everyone? These were some of the questions posed at the 7th Annual Planning Law and Policy Conference on 23-24 November 2006. Delegates at the conference heard stimulating presentations on plans for zero carbon eco-city at Dongtan in Shanghai, ideas for improving the street environment closer to home, as well as being updated in a surprisingly entertaining way on the planning legal system.

In his welcome address at the conference dinner, Sir Howard Newby welcomed the way in which the conference had involved a creative partnership between UWE’s Short Course Programme in FBE and local legal and planning practices, Terence O’Rourke, Clarke Willmott, Bryan Smith and King Sturge.

At the conference delegates grappled with challenging questions about how to reduce carbon emissions or understand legal complexities. Kevin McCloud, best known as the presenter of Channel 4’s Grand Designs and Demolition programmes, was perhaps too polite to make any recommendations for demolishing buildings in Bristol, but his ten points for Grand Designs in the future to secure a genuine urban renaissance had people laughing as well as thinking.

(Student led parliamentary team)

Centre for Legal Research Annual Lecture

Tuesday 13 March, 6.15pm

The Centre for Legal Research Annual Lecture will this year be given by Professor Rod Morgan, Chair of the Youth Justice Board (YJB) and Emeritus Professor at Bristol University. The title of his lecture is ‘Youth Justice: Getting the Balance Right’. The 2007 Annual Lecture will take place on Tuesday 13 March 2007 at the Watershed at 18.15.

Rod Morgan became Chair of the YJB in April 2004. He was formerly HM Chief Inspector of Probation for England and Wales, a post he took up in August 2001. Before that, he was Professor of Criminal Justice in the Faculty of Law at the University of Bristol, where he remains Professor Emeritus.

Rod is the author of many books and articles on aspects of policing, criminal justice and penal policy and, during his academic career, he led many empirical research studies on these topics. For over 20 years, he was a lay magistrate, chairman of a youth court and a member of an independent monitoring board for a remand centre.

Rod has been a member of a police authority and the Parole Board. He has chaired a district council Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership and Bristol’s Race Equality Council Criminal Justice Committee. He has also served on many working parties and committees, official and unofficial, on aspects of criminal justice, and he acts as adviser to several grant-giving and voluntary bodies working in the same field.

Rod has long served as an expert adviser to the Council of Europe and Amnesty International on custodial conditions and process, and the prevention of torture – a topic on which he has written several books, including the Council of Europe’s guide to the Work of the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture. He is co-editor of the principal text in the field of criminology in the UK, The Oxford Handbook of Criminology (4th edition, 2007, Oxford: OUP), and is preparing a similar text on probation policy, research and practice.

There will be a drinks reception from 17.30 and there will be a buffet immediately after the lecture. Please contact Prof Jill Poole, CLR for tickets, ext 82459 e-mail jill.poole@uwe.ac.uk

Romantic poets lecture

For his inaugural professorial lecture on 16 November, Robin Jarvis (HLSS) chose as his subject ‘The Romantic Poets and Higher Education’. Professor Jarvis, who specialises in the literature of the Romantic period, began by describing what it was like to be a student at Oxford or Cambridge – then the only universities in England – in the late eighteenth century, exploring contemporary debates on their failings and tracing the emergence of the modern idea of the university. He then looked at the early lives of the four major Romantic poets who went to university: William Wordsworth, Samuel Taylor Coleridge, Percy Shelley and Lord Byron. The main theme was that Oxford and Cambridge, denounced in the period as backward, corrupt and unfit for purpose, nevertheless played an important part in the intellectual histories of all four poets, providing them with unlimited time and freedom to develop as individuals and allowing them to launch their literary careers. In showing how these four very different poets all benefited from the Oxbridge student experience, Professor Jarvis also suggested links between the apparently obscure and irrelevant world of late-Georgian higher education and modern debates on the nature and purpose of the university.

Professor Jarvis’s lecture, the first of a series of five inaugural lectures in 2006-07, was introduced by Professor Geoffrey Channon, Dean of HLSS, and followed by a formal vote of thanks from Professor Peter Rawlings, Director of the HLSS Graduate School.
Staff in the media

Peter Quinn (Law) appeared on BBC2’s Newsnight on 10 November. He spoke about the nine years between 1992 and 2001 when prisoners at Wormwood Scrubs Prison had been abused under a regime that ‘approximated to torture’. His report on this had been submitted to the Home Secretary in April 2004 but has just been released to the prisoners’ lawyers under the Freedom of Information Act. David Blunkett had rejected a recommendation for a Public or other Official Inquiry into the events. Peter Quinn’s work was also reported by Vikram Dodd in The Guardian on 13 November.

Dr Elizabeth Newman (EDU) was interviewed by BBC Radio Bristol on 24 November about the shortage of male teachers in primary schools.

Professor Martin Plant (HSC) appeared on Panorama on 19 November about binge drinking and the problems it is causing. He was also interviewed by BBC Radio Bristol and Sky TV on 24 November.

Professor Moira Plant (HSC) was interviewed by BBC Radio Four on 23 November and BBC Radio Five Live on the 15 December about binge drinking and alcohol related issues.

Dr Christien Van den Anker (HLSS) was interviewed by BBC Radio Bristol on 16 November about the exploitation of Polish immigrants who have been recruited by gangmasters.

Dr Jeanine Treffers-Daller (HLSS) was interviewed by BBC Somerset Sound on 23 November about accents.

Professor Philip Lawrence (CEMS) was interviewed by BBC Radio Bristol on 12 December about the Airbus A380.

Professor Steven West (HSC) was interviewed on 13 December by BBC1 National News about the Airbus A380.

Professor Ron Ritchie (EDU) was interviewed by BBC Radio Bristol on 14 December about City Academies. He was also interviewed by BBC Points West on 11 January about secondary school league tables.

Anthony Plumridge (BBS) was interviewed by BBC Radio Bristol on 15 December about the shortage of building workers.

Danny Myers (FBE) was interviewed by ITV West on 4 December about cavity wall insulation.

Chris Alford (FAS) was interviewed by Radio Bristol about SAD syndrome on Thursday 11 January 2007.

News in Brief

Publications

William Evans (VCO) has contributed a chapter, ‘Reforming special educational needs law: vocabulary and distributive justice,’ to a collection of essays responding to Baroness Warnock’s critique of policies about the inclusion in mainstream schools of pupils with special educational needs: Ruth Cigman (ed), Included or excluded? The challenge of the mainstream for some SEN children ( Routledge, 2007).

Dr John Allinson (FBE) has had his paper ‘Over-educated, over-exuberant and over here? The impact of students on cities’ published in the September issue of Planning Practice and Research. The paper draws on John’s PhD research into this area, and is based on detailed case study work in a student-dominated ward: Selly Oak, Birmingham. It suggests that students can actually be a positive influence, helping to regenerate areas that may otherwise slip into decline by supporting local services and contributing to a lively urban environment.


Appointments

Dr Gillian Ballinger has been appointed Acting Head of the School of English and Drama (HLSS) for the period to 31 August 2007 under the leadership of Dr Scott Fraser as Head of the School. Gill’s brief will include student-facing responsibilities and quality enhancement.

Professor Colsvyn Jones (Sociology, HLSS) has been awarded an Erskine Fellowship by the University of Canterbury (UC) in Christchurch, New Zealand. Erskine Fellowships sustain visits by invited international scholars (and also the costs of accompanying partners) to UC departments of science, engineering and commerce. The visit is arranged for 26 February to 29 March 2007. Colsvyn will be presenting advanced undergraduate lectures, staff and postgraduate inter-faculty seminars, and advising on the doctoral research of staff in the Department of Accountancy, Finance and Information Systems. He will also hope to arrange visits to other NZ universities to present research seminars. As this is Colsvyn’s first visit to NZ, he would welcome recommendations from UWE colleagues on any ‘must do’ trips he should include in the month long visit.

Tessa Harrison, Academic Registrar, has been elected to the Executive Committee of the Association of University Administrators.

Ruth Drysdale (Dean of Students Office) has been appointed as a member of non-teaching staff to the Board of Governors to serve from 1 January 2007 – 31 July 2009.

Rita Phillips (HSC) has been appointed a professional officer for ultrasound by the Society of Radiographers (SoR) and an advanced practitioner in ultrasound at the Royal United Hospital Bath. In her role as professional officer Rita will offer advice and support to members on any issues relating to ultrasound practice. She will also support the SoR’s ultrasound advisory groups and work with the National Institute for Clinical Excellence (NICE).

Conferences

Professor Rob Cuthbert spoke at the Higher Education Academy conference on Embedding Learning and Teaching Strategy in Newcastle on 28 September 2006.

Professor Rob Cuthbert gave a keynote speech on Culture, Leadership and Complexity at the Leadership Foundation for Higher Education conference on Staff Development in Liverpool on 8 November 2006. His article A Certain Kind of Leadership? appeared in the LFHE journal Engage Issue 8 in December 2006.

Professor Rob Cuthbert spoke on Higher Education in the Next 10 Years at the Chartered Institute for Environmental Health Council seminar on Horizon-Scanning on 6 December 2006.

Professor Clara Greed, FBE, contributed to the World Toilet Forum in mid November in Bangkok. She met with colleagues to develop courses on international toilet design for mid-career professionals, which will form part of the World Toilet College programme in 2007. Clara was also one of the invited speakers at a conference on ‘Mainstreaming Gender Equality into Transport’ organised by the Department for Transport and the Royal Town Planning Institute, at the Greater London Council’s City Hall.

Pictured from left to right, Dr Chan Choy Ling architecture course director at Singapore Polytechnic, Dr Hasan Hamzah, Office of the Deputy Minister of Housing and Local Government, Malaysia, Dr Asiah Abdul Rahim architecture professor at the International Islamic University Kuala Lumpur and Professor Clara Greed (FBE)
Dr Dimitrios Konstadakopulos (HLSS) gave an invited paper at the Warsaw Conference on Creative Europe, which took place on 30 November to 2 December 2006. The conference was organised by the Polish Ministries of Foreign Affairs, Science and Higher Education, and Culture and National Heritage, as well as by the office of the Representation of the European Commission in Poland, the Embassy of Finland in Warsaw, and the National Louis University. Some 35 speakers – academics, government officials, diplomats, and officials from the European Commission – discussed new pathways towards a creative and innovative Europe.

Dimitrios presented a paper on the organisational restructuring of higher education in Europe, and its implications for creativity and innovation.

Professor Alan Winfield (CEMS) gave the following talks; 27 November, ‘Please Don’t Switch Me Off!’ at the Bristol Science Café about the future of robots; 29 November ‘Specification and Modelling of Emergence in Swarm Robotic Systems’ at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel.; 7 December talk on robotics at the Thinktank Science Centre in Birmingham the event was part of the EPSRC ‘Robot Thought’ project led by Frank Burnet and Dr Emma Weitkamp.

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Students call for action on climate change

Students studying European Environmental Policy at UWE joined thousands of people in London calling for action on climate change on the eve of the United Nations talks in Nairobi. Don Gerritsen, an Erasmus exchange student from the University of Nijmegen, who attended the demonstration with fellow student Jezz Evans, feels that all European citizens should take action to stop global warming. Don is writing his Master’s dissertation on climate change, and the European Environmental Policy has been of particular relevance to his studies. “We have offered this module, initially funded by the Jean Monnet programme, for the past eight years,” says Dr Dimitrios Konstadakopulos (HLSS), who is the module leader. “We have been able to attract some very impressive students,” he adds. “Don, for instance, was invited to New York in October to present his research on climate change, and was recently awarded an internship at the United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP) in Nairobi. Jezz Evans, an active environmentalist, is a final-year student of international relations and is aspiring to become a candidate with the Green Party.” Ann Kennard and Dr Peter Clegg, both of HLSS, also contribute to the teaching of this module.

From left to right, Jezz Evans and Don Gerritsen at the climate change demonstration in London on 4 November

MSc Science Communication – first graduates

The Faculty of Applied Sciences December graduation ceremonies included the first graduates from the MSc Science Communication which has been running at UWE since 2004. The MSc which runs on a part and full-time basis, pools the Science Communication Unit’s (Graphic Science) expertise, resources and contacts to deliver a programme that offers unrivalled professional development opportunities for those already working as science communicators or aiming to move into the field.

Professor Frank Burnet, programme leader, said at the graduation “It’s a great day for the whole teaching team to see such a talented group graduate. We are already working with several of them in their new jobs and look forward to that network growing year on year.”

Graduates of the programme are already working in a wide range of settings within the media, public relations and at science centres or museums. This includes internationally at ECSITE, nationally at The Royal Society of Chemistry and locally within At-Bristol.

For more details of this dynamic programme please contact the admissions tutor Dr Clare Wilkinson via e-mail Clare. Wilkinson@uwe.ac.uk or telephone +44 (0)117 32 82146.

Graduating students including (L-R) the teaching team, Dr Clare Wilkinson, Professor Frank Burnet and Dr Emma Weitkamp

Staff Association - Walking Club

The Walking Club has enjoyed 15 walks in the past year which ranged from 4.5 to 8 miles and on the majority of those the weather was very kind to us. The grand finale was a short (but muddy) walk on 17 December, for which we all dressed up in glittery hats and antlers, around the Chew Valley Lake area to work up an appetite for a festive banquet which we all contributed to.

We shall be starting 2007 with a couple of walks in January. If you have missed them but would like to join us on the next ones why not contact Amanda for more information about the walks coming up on 17 February, 11 March, 1 and 22 April. Contact: Amanda.Cooke@uwe.ac.uk Tel: 82267

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Undergraduate Open Day

Saturday 17 February
10.00 – 16.00

Register online www.uwe.ac.uk
For further information please contact 0117 32 83333
Open Days, Admissions and International Recruitment, Bristol UWE, Frenchay Campus, Coldharbour Lane, Bristol, BS16 1QY
E-mail open@uwe.ac.uk

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Walking the Way to Health

Lunch Time Walks, all starting from Q block at 12:15pm

Wednesday 24th January - This route is along paved footpaths, taking in the scenery surrounding the MOD. Bring some extra bread for the swans!!!

7th February - A scenic walk through the fields of Harry Stoke. Can be Muddy underfoot

21st February - This lunch time walk explores the beautiful countryside of Purdown. Mostly paved footpaths with a couple of slight inclines

7th March - This lunch time walk will explore both Harry Stoke and Stoke Gifford

Wednesday 21st March - Walk will follow along the edge of a ridge known as Simms Hill. Lovely views looking over Stoke Lane

I look forward to seeing you!

For further information about these walks Contact Catherine Ogilvie on 01173288246, or Email: catherine.ogilvie@uwe.ac.uk
Personnel Update

Staff Association - Coach Club

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Coventry
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6-9 April - Easter 2007
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£150, 3 nights staying in Rouen with excursions. Price based on 2 sharing – single supp of £55.

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18 June
Royal Ascot Ladies Day
£45 approx

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Erasmus news

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Visit: www.yogawithsaeed.co.uk

Buddhist Meditation
Date: 29 January 2007 (18.30-20.00)
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Visit: www.meditationinbristol.org

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Reflection Time
Date: 30 January 2007 (15.45-16.15)
Venue: The Octagon, Frenchay Campus
Contact: Chaplaincy Tel: 0117 32 82334
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UWE Saxophone Group in concert
Date: 31 January 2007 (13.16-13.45)
Venue: St Stephen’s Church, St Stephen’s Street, Bristol
Admission: Free with retiring collection
Contact: CPA Tel: 0117 32 82067
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A year (and a bit) in the life of MODAF
Date: 31 January 2007 (18.30 for 19.00)
Faculty of Computing, Engineering and Mathematical Sciences
Venue: Room 207, Frenchay Campus
Admission: Free
Contact: Terry Winnington
E-mail: terry.winnington@uwe.ac.uk

Rethinking the identities of young British Muslim women
Date: 7 February 2007 (15.00)
Dr Claire Dwyer, University College London
Venue: Room 4Q56, Frenchay Campus
Contact: Jane Newton Tel: 0117 32 83102
E-mail: jane.newton@uwe.ac.uk

The power of well-being: policy and practice
Date: 7 February 2007 (16.00)
Laura Evans, Cities Research Centre, UWE
Venue: Room 2R002, The Studio, Frenchay Campus
Contact: Faculty of the Built Environment
Telephone: 0117 32 83000
E-mail: fbe.entry@uwe.ac.uk

Situations Lecture: John Schofield and Lucy Orta
Date: 7 February 2007 (18.30)
Venue: Arnolfini, 16 Narrow Quay, Bristol BS1 4QA
Admission: £3 (£2 concs); UWE staff/students free
Contact: Claire Doherty Tel: 0117 32 81459
E-mail: info@situation.org.uk
Visit: www.situation.org.uk

Feel Good February
Date: 12 - 18 February 2007
Venue: All UWE campuses
Contact: Vicky Hare Tel: 0117 32 82619
E-mail: Vicky.Hare@uwe.ac.uk
Visit: www.uwe.ac.uk/feelgoodfebruary

Asset Based Rural Community Development: putting the ‘rural’ into ABCD
Date: 14 February 2007 (15.00)
Dr Rhys Evans, Integrate Consulting
Venue: Room 4Q56, Frenchay Campus
Contact: Jane Newton Tel: 0117 32 83102
E-mail: jane.newton@uwe.ac.uk

The Fullbrook Lecture: Americans in Europe: Selected Tales of Nineteenth- and Twentieth-Century Expatriation
Date: 15 February 2007 (18.30)
Professor Janet Beer
Venue: The Chapel Lecture Theatre, St Matthias Campus
Admission: FREE but reservations necessary
Contact: Rose West Tel: 0117 32 84372
E-mail: rose.west@uwe.ac.uk
Visit: www.uwe.ac.uk/hlss/faculty/news.shtml

Human Rights and the Paradox of Institutionalisation
Date: 16 February 2007 (12.30)
Dr Neil Stammers, University of Sussex
Venue: Room 25603, Frenchay Campus
Contact: Anna Grear or Umut Turkseven
E-mail: anna.grear@uwe.ac.uk or umut2.turksen@uwe.ac.uk

Undergraduate Open Day
Date: 17 February 2007 (10.00-16.00)
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English Heritage: the organisation and its future
Date: 21 February 2007 (16.00)
David Johnson, School of Architecture and Planning, UWE
Venue: Room 2R002, Frenchay Campus
Contact: Faculty of the Built Environment
Telephone: 0117 32 83000
E-mail: fbe.entry@uwe.ac.uk

Amputation after meningococcal septicaemia - function, participation and quality of life
Date: 23 February 2007 (9.30-11.00)
Tom Allport
Venue: Hampton House, Cotham Hill, Bristol BS6 6JS
Contact: Diana Hynam Tel: 0117 331 0893
E-mail: d.hynam@bristol.ac.uk

London Philharmonic Orchestra
Date: 24 February 2007 (19.30)
Venue: St David’s Hall, Cardiff
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Mental well-being and design of the urban environment
Date: 28 February 2007 (14.15)
Prof Gabriel Scally, Dr Sarah Parry-Jones, Andy McGeeley
Venue: Room 4Q56, Frenchay Campus
Contact: Jane Newton Tel: 0117 32 83102
E-mail: jane.newton@uwe.ac.uk

The Quaternary evolution of the Gordano Valley, North Somerset
Date: 28 February 2007 (15.00)
Dr Wendy Woodland, UWE
Venue: Room 4Q56, Frenchay Campus
Contact: Jane Newton Tel: 0117 32 83102
E-mail: jane.newton@uwe.ac.uk

INTERVAL: Exploring the territory between art, architecture and urbanism
Date: 28 February 2007 (16.00)
Jonathan Mosley, School of Planning and Architecture, UWE
Venue: Room 2R002, Frenchay Campus
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Date: 28 February 2007 - 03 March 2007
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