Annual Teachers' and Advisers' Conference 2022

Friday 17th June 2022 - Colchester Campus

Welcome

Welcome and updates from our Global Vice President, Vanessa Potter.

Student Finance England: Current and Emerging Key Messages.

The session will provide delegates with an overview and understanding of SFE policy, process, and customer service enhancements for academic year 2022/23 while also addressing and encouraging discussion around initial government announcements on the proposed changes to student funding, including the repayment rules from academic year 2023/24.

Higher Education updates from UCAS

UCAS Update – join us for an update on all things UCAS. An overview of current trends and key insight from some of our recent reports. Find out what's new for the 2023 cycle and learn about the wealth of resources that we have for you to support your students when making choices.

The climate crisis: what schools and students can do to make a difference

This session will i) review the latest state of the climate crisis; ii) set out the challenges for the race to net zero; iii) and present the key components of the 30 for 30 campaigns (thirty ideas to reduce carbon footprints by 2030). This will give schools, staff and their students a practical agenda for engaging actively with how to act to reverse the climate crisis.

*note may be Zoom webinar- Jules has broken shoulder and is currently unable to drive.

Geographies of Lockdown - Children and Young People at a Distance

This session uses the lens of 'space' to critically consider the impact of COVID19 lockdown measures on children and young people's lived experiences and wellbeing. The management of space has long been used to regulate individuals and societies, from racial segregation to anti-social behaviour orders. In times of 'lockdown' spatial regulation has been put in place in the name of protection and care; but what are the unintended implications for children? Psychosocial perspectives on touch demonstrate the importance of the physical and corporeal in the forming and maintaining of relationships. Such relationality is disrupted when the spaces within which it takes place are suddenly restricted and redefined. Here we consider the implications of this for young people and their wellbeing, and ways forward for children in this new post-covid landscape.

Student support at Essex

This session will outline the wide range of support available to students whilst they are with us at the University of Essex. With a particular focus on our Student Wellbeing and Inclusivity Service (SWIS) who seek to provide a professional and proactive guidance service for students within a healthy and inclusive environment, to support students to fulfil their potential. At Essex, we understand university life can be demanding and stressful, and we want to ensure students receive the appropriate support.

Campus tours and student conversations

You'll have the chance to explore our Colchester campus and talk to some of our current students about university and student life.

Workshop: Open Access Escape Room

In this interactive adventure style workshop, several teams will compete against each other to solve a range of puzzles to defeat a villain who has locked away all research at the University of Essex! This workshop was created at the University of Essex and explores the basics of open access (free access to research online, without paywalls). You do not need to know anything about open access to join, nor does it give you an advantage – however you might learn something while you play this fun game!