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SOUTHAMPTON PROFESSOR WINS BRITISH ACADEMY AWARD

19 December 2016

Jackline Wahba, Professor of Economics at the University, has received a prestigious British Academy award to explore the impact of a huge Syrian refugee influx on Jordan.

Professor Wahba was one of 16 applicants selected for British Academy Sustainable Development Programme funding to further sustainability and work to eliminate poverty.

Find out more: Read the full story on SUSSED.

Professor Jackline 'Jackie' Wahba



Staff reading about the 10-Year Plan in the Open Space, Hartley Library, 4th floor, Room 4061.

10-YEAR PLAN OPEN SPACE

19 December 2016

Announced by President and Vice-Chancellor, Professor Sir Christopher Snowden during his Campus Tour, the 10-Year Plan Open Space is now available to visit in the Hartley Library.

Situated on the 4th floor in Room 4061, the Open Space is an area for all staff to visit and learn how the University's 'Simply better' strategy is being implemented.

The room can be booked using the online booking system, and the key is held at the Hartley Library reception.

When visiting, please ask for the 10-Year Plan Open Space key and return it after your visit. The University has chosen 12 'levers' that span two of our core principles, Quality and Sustainability. Each 'lever' represents an achievable change that will have a significant impact on achieving our objectives.

These levers are displayed on the main wall of the Open Space, along with some background data. There are 4 different touch-screen displays, with presentations covering an introduction to the 10-Year Plan, explanatory videos by William Powrie (Executive Lead for the 10-Year Plan and Dean of the Faculty of Engineering), information about what some areas of the University are already doing and a presentation on the governance of the project itself.



Sam Fishlock, the University of Southampton Malaysia Campus' first PhD graduate.

MALAYSIA CAMPUS CELEBRATES FIRST EVER PHD GRADUATE

8 December 2016

Following the graduation of its first cohort of graduates in July 2016, the University of Southampton Malaysia Campus (USMC) has now produced its first PhD graduate – Sam Fishlock.

Sam successfully defended his thesis, entitled: '*Development* of nanocrystalline graphite for MEMS and membranes'.

He was under the primary guidance of Assistant Professor Dr Suan Hui Pu and Professor John McBride, both based at USMC. Sam was also supervised by Dr Harold Chong.





Southampton students achieved 2nd and 3rd place in the BHP Billiton contest. Second from left: Wimbi Putra, Andi Nugroho

BUSINESS SCHOOL POSTGRADUATE ANALYSTS SOLVE A REAL-LIFE CHALLENGE IN THE MINING INDUSTRY

14 December 2016

Two postgraduate students of MSc Business Analytics and Management Sciences achieved second and third places in an international competition run by one of the world's largest mining companies. Wimbi Putra and Andi Nugroho, both from Indonesia, put their analytical skills to good use in the contest run by global resources company, BHP Billiton.

Find out more: Read the full story on SUSSED.

KEY DATES FOR THE 2017 NATIONAL STUDENT SURVEY

19 December 2016

The University has released key dates for the 2017 National Student Survey (NSS).

The NSS is a unique opportunity for final year students to give their opinion on their experience at the University, respective students will be invited to fill in the survey from Monday 6 February 2017. The survey will close on Sunday 30 April 2017.

Find out more: Read the full story on SUSSED.



SOUTHAMPTON LEADS NEW PROJECT TO HELP YOUNG PEOPLE ACCESS HIGHER EDUCATION

16 December 2016

The Higher Education Funding Council for England announced a new programme – the National Collaborative Outreach Programme (NCOP) – to increase participation in higher education across the country.

> **Find out more:** Read the full story on SUSSED.

With national annual funding of £60m, the programme will drive a step change in the progression into higher education of young people from disadvantaged backgrounds, including members of ethnic minority groups and young men. The programme launched on 1 January 2017.



The stalked barnacle Neolepas sp. collected from Longqi. Image credit: David Shale.

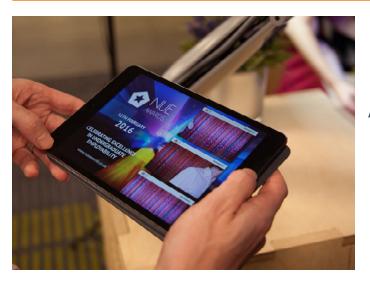
EXCITING NEW CREATURES DISCOVERED ON OCEAN FLOOR

21 December 2016

Scientists at the University have discovered six new animal species in undersea hot springs 2.8km deep in the southwest Indian Ocean.

The unique marine life was discovered around hydrothermal vents at a place called Longqi ('Dragon's Breath'), 2,000km southeast of Madagascar.

Find out more: Read the full story on SUSSED.





SOUTHAMPTON ACADEMICS NAMED AMONG 2016's HIGHLY CITED RESEARCHERS

15 December 2016

A large contingent of academics from the University featured in the 2016 list of researchers with the world's most highly cited papers.

A total of seven Southampton academics made the list, published by Clarivate Analytics (formerly the Intellectual Property & Science business of Thomson Reuters).

More than 3,000 researchers were selected in 2016 based on the number of highly cited papers they produced over an 11-year period from January 2004 to December 2014.

Find out more: Read the full story on SUSSED.

NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR EMPLOYABILITY ACROSS THE UNIVERSITY

21 December 2016

Students and staff across the University have been shortlisted for an unprecedented six National Undergraduate Employability (NUE) Awards.

Held annually, this prestigious event celebrates outstanding achievements of all those involved in undergraduate work experience, with UK students, employers and universities competing for recognition.



Find out more: Read the full story on SUSSED.

ARCTIC LAKES THAWING EARLIER EACH YEAR

21 December 2016

Scientists from the University have found that Arctic lakes, covered with ice during the winter months, are melting earlier each spring. The team monitored 13,300 lakes using satellite imagery and showed that on average ice is breaking up one day earlier per year, based on a 14-year period between 2000 and 2013.

Find out more: Read the full story on SUSSED.



Geographers from the University on fieldwork in Alaska. Image Credit: Maarten Van Hardenbroek.



The 2015 running team raised a fantastic £9,500 for the Centre for Cancer Immunology.

LEAD LOCAL CHARITY FOR ABP SOUTHAMPTON MARATHON

14 December 2016

The campaign for the Centre for Cancer Immunology announced that this year it is extending its partnership with the ABP Southampton Marathon, and is now officially named as Lead Local Charity. The event will take place on 23 April 2017.

Last year, 30 staff and students ran in aid of the campaign, collectively raising £9,500.

Find out more: Read the full story on SUSSED.



LETTERS SECTION -

If you'd like to share your comments in the next newsletter, please submit them to internalcomms@southampton.ac.uk by 30 January 2017.



Woodrow Kernohan. Image credit: Deirdre Power

WOODROW KERNOHAN APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF THE JOHN HANSARD GALLERY

20 December 2016

The University and the John Hansard Gallery announced that Woodrow Kernohan, Director and CEO of EVA International, will succeed Professor Stephen Foster as Director of the John Hansard Gallery.

As Director, Kernohan will take the gallery into an exciting new phase as it relocates to the city centre in Studio 144, the new £28.5m arts venue which opens in 2017 in Southampton's cultural quarter.



Find out more: Read the full story on SUSSED.