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Welcome to the April newsletter!

This is our monthly newsletter that gives you some news and updates about what is going on with DistanceLearningCentre.com, our staff and our learners.



## June Moderation- Important Points

### June Moderation Deadline

If you want to moderate in June for a university start in September you need to have submitted all your assessments by Friday **27<sup>th</sup> May 2022** which means there are **8 weeks** remaining.

You will need to plan your studies in order to complete on time remembering that the maximum number of assessments you can submit is **1 a week** (you can check the number of assessments you still have to complete by looking at your My Grades and Marksheets tab on your account).

### ILP Webinar

If you missed our ILP and Moderation Webinar, you can [watch the video here](#). This has lots of useful information about how moderation and your ILP.

If you have any questions about your progress or how to manage this, please speak to your tutor.



### Assessment Upload Allowance

You can only upload one new assessment each week, the system does not allow you to upload more assessments than this. Therefore it is very important when planning your ILP that you account for this maximum upload limit of one assessment per week. If there are 10 weeks left to moderation and you have more than 10 assessments left, you will not be able to upload all of the work needed for the moderation deadline. So you will need to either:

Speak to your tutor about changing your moderation date to the next moderation

OR

Submit an [extenuating circumstances form](#) with evidence to request permission to exceed this assessment upload allowance in order to meet the moderation deadline.

Please note:

If your work is not **ready for marking**, your tutor will delete the submission and ask for amendments to be made to your work so that it is ready for marking.

Please follow the [ready for marking guidance](#) carefully and submit your amended assessment as soon as possible. Do note that you then cannot upload another assessment until 1 week from the date you upload the amended version.

If you have a **resubmission** your tutor will upload a marksheet giving you feedback on areas of your assessment which have not met the assessment criteria. You will need to complete additional work on your assessment and resubmit it. This resubmission does not count towards the one assessment per week (so you can upload a new assessment as well as a resubmission in the same week).

## Easter Closure

**We will be closed from Friday 11th April until Tuesday 19th April.**

During this time, your tutor will be unavailable for tutorials and will not be answering any phone calls or emails.

However all your resources will still be available and you will still be able to upload SAQs and assessments onto your learner account. Therefore, all learners will need to make sure that they have the passwords for the 2 weeks whilst the tutors are on holiday.

Your tutor will be able to provide you with the assessment password for your current unit (if you are working through the materials), plus the materials password for the unit that you are due to study next, according to your Individual Learning Plan (ILP).

Or; If you are currently working on a unit assessment, the next materials and assessment password (according to your ILP) can be provided.



## Have you got textbooks you no longer use?

When finishing a subject, you may have found certain textbooks to be really useful in your studies. If you find you no longer need a particular textbook anymore, you could consider selling it on.

A lot of our students have been selling their used textbooks on our Facebook group. This is a great way to find a new home for your unused textbooks.

## Requesting Extensions

**Requesting an extension when you cannot meet a deadline is vital to ensure your work is not capped at a pass.**

If you are not able to meet a deadline, ensure you request an extension no later than the day the assessment is due.

Late submissions (including resubmissions) can be capped at a pass, so remember to keep track of when your work is due.

## Tips for Students observing Ramadan

### Ramadan Mubarak to our learners observing Ramadan!

Studying during Ramadan can be a difficult experience, so we have found a few helpful websites that provide tips that can help studying go smoother during the holy month:

- [7 tips for students observing Ramadan](#)
- [Tips for Students this Ramadan and Exam Season](#)



## Biology Practical Investigation/Psychological Investigation Webinar

### We ran our first webinar!

We had a great turnout for our first webinar on the Practical Investigation/ Psychological Investigation.

If you didn't manage to make it, or would like to re-watch the video we have made it available on YouTube, click the link below to watch:

[Biology and Psychology Practical Webinar](#)



## Practical Investigation

## Psychological Investigation

We are planning on running more webinars in the future, so keep an eye out for invites and notifications from your tutors and on our Facebook Group!

### Where are they now?

**Each monthly newsletter will therefore be featuring a testimonial, in which our previous learners will share some great advice about studying for your Diploma and beyond!**

Rebecca Mutch completed an Access to Science Diploma in 2018 and has gone on to attend the University of Derby and has graduated with a BSc Honours degree in Diagnostic Radiography!

"The most challenging aspect of my undergraduate study was adjusting to referencing and formal layouts. As a mature student, I wish I had used my Access Course guidance more in depth, so as to prepare myself as much as possible.

My studies with DistanceLearningCentre.com provided a good introduction and definitely helped me prepare. The topics that were covered in my Diploma were very useful as they were then taught in more detail during my undergraduate studies.

I was glad that I had decided to complete the Access course just before starting the degree, especially after many years out of education.

I have now started a full time job as a Diagnostic Radiographer in my Hospital Trust of choice."  
**(November 2021)**



### Please send us your reviews!

#### **We need your reviews!**

A large number of our learners choose us because of our positive reviews, so why not give us a review to help others choose the right course for them!

We are always looking to improve and require valuable feedback from our learners to do this. Please send us your honest feedback so that we can provide the best service for our learners.

You can give us a review or send us some feedback in a variety of ways:

- You can [write a review on our Facebook Page](#).

- You can email us. One of the ways we like to celebrate your achievements is our Hall of Fame! If you would be willing to be involved please let your tutor know.

- You can send us a testimonial. You may have looked at these when you were deciding to study with us, so perhaps you would like others to hear about your experiences.

- You can like and share our [Facebook Page](#).

We rely on word of mouth and personal recommendations, so please consider giving us a review.

It is also important for us to constantly improve our services, so if you have any suggestions or feedback about your experiences, do let us know.



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