Hello and welcome to the December 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 students.

In this edition, we have a reminder for our college closures, online classes and UCAS.

**Christmas College Closure**

The college will be closed over Christmas, from **Monday 19th December 2022 and will re-open Tuesday 3rd January 2023.**

During this time, your tutor will be unavailable for tutorials and will not be answering any phone calls or emails. You will be able to have access to a maximum of 2 assessment codes, you do not have to request this additional work, please review your ILP and think about your plans for Christmas.

Remember that materials codes now open up all of the materials for a subject set so you should have enough work to keep you busy over the closure period.

**Please note** - Student Services are unable to provide you with any passwords so you will need to ensure you have requested and received passwords from your tutor before we close.

**UCAS**

The application deadline for all 2023 entry UCAS Undergraduate courses is the **25th January 2023.**

If you are applying to university for 2023,
we strongly advise you complete your UCAS application as soon as possible, remember to use the advice on the UCAS application page in your learner account toolkit.

The deadline for applying through the DistanceLearningCentre.com is 9th January to guarantee your application is not late.

Our official Facebook group is full of learners also studying with us, and applying to university. You may find answers to questions you may have, interesting discussions and a supportive community. You can join the group through our Facebook Page (click on the 'Join Group' button).

Online Classes over December

Don't forget we have regular online classes on a range of subjects. This month's classes are:

- Health and Social Care Provision - 6th December 2022 at 7PM
- Core Principles of Chemistry - 15th December 2022 at 7PM

You can also access any links for upcoming and previous videos on the Online Classes tab on your learner account.

There will be a couple of weeks break from classes over the Christmas period, but they will resume on the 9th January 2023.

Your questions answered
Why is the Ready for marking process important? Why do we ask you for word counts on your assessments?

Our answer:

The ready for marking process is a checklist we have developed to help make sure that your assessment submission meets our required standards and those of the awarding body.

For instance, all 3 credit assessments must be between 1000 and 1500 words and 6 credit assessments between 2000 and 2500 words. This is so that assessments fit with awarding body requirements and also allows all students to have the same opportunity to write a similar amount. It wouldn’t be fair if some students were allowed to write much more than others and so achieved higher grades.

If you have any questions which you think we could feature in future newsletters please email them to editor@distancelearningcentre.com

Finished your course? Leave us a Review!

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!

Your reviews and feedback also help us continuously improve our student experience, and provide the best service we can.

At various points during your studies you will be sent an invite to review us on Trustpilot, we would appreciate it if you could take a few minutes to do a review when you are invited.

You can also give us a review or send us some feedback in a variety of other ways:
- Reviews on our Facebook Page.
- Give our page a like and share.
- Testimonial for our Hall of Fame.

You can also email Studentservices@distancelearningcentre.com with any issues you have had (or are having), who will be happy to help resolve these.