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MARCH NEWSLETTER



Hello and welcome to the March 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 months newletter we are focusing on how to make the most out of our regular webinars and extensive resource library.

Our Webinars

We have been running online webinars for some time now on topics ranging from the induction process, applying to UCAS, and referencing, to subject-specific sessions on units that you will be studying. You may have already attended a few of them and we hope you are finding them useful.

We have put our programme of webinars onto your learner account under 'my courses'. Here you can see all the sessions that are 'Coming up'.

This months webinars with dates and times are:

- Aspects of Human Physiology 7th March 2023 and 7pm
- Role of a Social Worker 8th March 2023 at 7pm
- Social Policy and Practice 20th March 2023 at 7pm
- Education Practical applications 22nd March 2023 at 7pm
- Principles of Physics 23rd March 2023 at 7pm

We highly recommend that you try to attend the webinars that are relevant to your course because you will receive expert guidance on how to tackle your assessment TAQs and there will be opportunities for you to ask the host questions.

Our Recorded Webinars

If you did not get the opportunity to attend one or more of our previous webinars you can still watch the session whenever you want. All completed webinars are available 'on demand' from our YouTube channel.



The latest videos published in February are:

- Sport Fitness
- Theories and Perspectives in Criminology

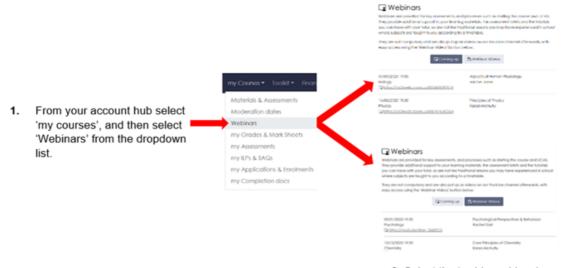
Other published webinars that you will find useful at any stage of your studies include:

- The Course Induction
- Applying to UCAS
- Academic Writing
- Referencing

The complete list of our webinar videos can be accessed from the 'my courses' section of your account by selecting 'Webinars' and then 'Webinar Videos'.

Follow this diagram to access our webinars and recordings

Select the 'coming up' tab to see a list of all upcoming webinars. A zoom link to the webinar and the date and time it is taking place is displayed.



3. Select the 'webinar videos' tab to see a list of all completed webinars that are available to watch on demand. A link to the webinar is again displayed.

Our New Library



You can access our new improved online library from the 'toolkit' section in your account. The diagram below provides step by step guidance on how to access the library.

The new library has over 4000 items which includes articles, journals, videos, careers advice, e-books and much more. Just like a physical library, you can browse the contents or you can search by key words. Each item has a synopsis and a link to the content, which opens in a new window on your device. We hope you find this useful for your studies!

Do you have any suggestions to add to our Resource Library?

Have you found any websites or resources that have been helpful to your studies and want to share them with other learners? Please let us know! We can add any helpful resources to our Library, meaning all our learners can make use of them also.

Follow this diagram to access our online library



UCAS Information

If you missed your UCAS application deadline, it might not be too late to still secure a place on your degree of choice at your preferred university.



A number of universities are still accepting applications for example:

Teesside University are still accepting applications for Adult, Learning Disability, and Mental Health Nursing.



More news from Teesside that might interest you

In September, Amy Thompson at Teesside will be organising some online talks for Midwifery, Nursing, and Paramedicine. There will also be interview sessions taking place. All sessions will be on a week day evening from 6.00pm, and they will be recorded so that you can view them at a later date.

Amy has two online sessions taking place this month:

- Discover Dental online session Monday 13 March, 10.30-11.30am
- Discover Optometry online session Wednesday 15 March 10.30-11.30am

Student Finance



If you are going to be studying at university this year, make sure you have applied for your Student Finance!

New students should apply by May 2023.

You don't need to have a confirmed place at university to apply – you can apply now and update your details later if you need to.

You can find out everything you need to know by visiting the Student Finance website <u>here</u>.

Do you want to help promote Access to HE Diplomas?



QAA are interested in making a short video to promote the Access to HE Diploma and would like some Access students to participate in the production of this.

If you would like to get involved you just need to complete this short online <u>survey</u>. The closing date for submission of the survey is the **10**th **of March**.

Your questions answered



This month's questions are:

What happens when the distancelearningcentre.com closes for Easter?

Our answer:

Unlike a traditional college, the distancelearningcentre.com only closes for 3 weeks a year - 2 weeks over Christmas and 1 week over Easter. During these times tutors are not available. However, you will still be able to log on to your account and access the materials/assessments as normal. Tutors provide passwords before they leave for their break - watch out for emails about this and make sure you respond.

When does the distancelearningcentre.com close for Easter?

Our answer:

This year we close for Easter on Friday 7th April and we re-open on Monday 17th April.









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