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Life at Leeds is the student e-newsletter brought to you by the student communications team. The newsletter aims to help you make the most of your time at Leeds. Send your thoughts and any feedback to [studentcommunications@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:studentcommunications@leeds.ac.uk)

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## UCU strike update

As you may have heard, the University and College Union (UCU) has rejected a compromise deal agreed by UCU and university representatives earlier this week. UCU has announced that there will be further national strike action next term. We don't know the details of this yet, but will be updating the Q&As on the [student website](#) over the Easter vacation. Please check it regularly for the latest news.

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## Easter holidays opening hours

Easter Holidays will start for most of you from the end of Friday 16 March and you'll return back to the University for Summer Term on Monday 16 April. Campus and many of our services (the Edge, libraries, cafes etc.) will still be open for you during this time. Visit our page about [what's open over the Easter Holidays](#) to find out more.

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## Staying Safe

There's lots advice on our [Staying Safe guide](#), that we'd encourage you to read. If you're out late, remember:

- You can get the Nightbus to your door from the union for £1

- Amber Taxi (0113 202 2117) allow you to leave your student card with them and pay the fare the next day if you don't have money with you for any reason.

And don't forget to look after your friends!

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## Upcoming events

There's lots happening this week and over the Easter holidays that you can get involved in. This includes:

- [Be Curious 2018](#), Saturday 17 March, 10am-4pm, events taking place across the University
- [Victim Support Weekly Drop-In](#), every Wednesday, 4-6pm, LUU Student advice offices
- [The Bragg Building information event](#), 2-4pm, 21 March, Lecture Theatre G35, School of Chemistry (this will need booking in advance).
- ['Rights and Romance: Representing Gypsy Lives'](#) is the latest exhibition at the Treasures of the Brotherton Gallery, it explores visual, historical and fictional representations of the Gypsy and Traveller community
- [Transformation](#): an exhibition celebrating the ten year anniversary of The Stanley & Audrey Burton Gallery opens 19 April 2018 and is free to view.

If you're looking for something to do over the Easter holidays, Global Community have a range of activities that you can take part in. While you can just turn up to some events, others will require booking in advance. For the full schedule of activities and information visit the [Global Community webpages](#).

More events can be seen on the [LUU website](#) and the [student website](#).

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## Share your thoughts...

There are a number of surveys running at the moment that you may want to take part in, these include:

- [The Undergraduate Programme Survey](#). This is open to all undergraduates who aren't in their final years. On completion, you'll receive 100 free printer credits or make a free £1 charity donation!
- First-year UK students, between the ages of 18-22, are invited to participate in an online study to better understand academic performance, motivation and life of university students. You will be compensated £10 in Love2shop vouchers for [completing the online survey](#).

- [Balancing Life survey](#) is open until 18 March. It aims to find out about staff and student activity levels and wellbeing. You can win £50 Amazon Vouchers and Refresh Cards by completing
- [Campus Support Services 2018 is open until 16 April 2018](#). This will help us make sure that we are delivering the best service possible at all times. All fully completed surveys will be entered into a prize draw to win cash prizes worth a total of £100! There will be one prize of £50 and two prizes of £25.
- [Vlog about sustainable transport for a chance to win 250€ in Amazon or travel vouchers](#). The Empower project wants your vlogs capturing your thoughts on how people are being inspired to use sustainable transport. Are these approaches working and what new methods could motivate people to stop using conventionally fuelled vehicles? The deadline is Sunday 1 April. Entries may be submitted by an individual or a group and no more than 60 seconds long.

Don't forget that you can also share any surveys related to your studies in our student Facebook group. Simply post a link to it under the [thread we have running](#).

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## Learning and development opportunities

- [Register on MyCareer with the Leeds Internship Programme](#) which a wide range of paid, internships, placements and part-time roles exclusively to University of Leeds undergraduates. It has helped hundreds of students gain valuable paid experience and work on exciting projects in organisations across the UK.
  - The University has partnered with Leeds Digital Festival this year and events are taking place across campus and the city that you may be interested in. The events are career-related, educational, entertaining, fun and mostly free! To see what's on and book a space visit [Leeds Digital Festival](#)
  - Free fitness classes at the Edge available for students from 19 March-13 April to Kickstart Leeds Wellbeing Week. From Body Jam to Zumba, Body Combat to Aqua, with a mix of both Live & Virtual classes, you can [sign up through The Edge website](#) & give try something new. All classes are held at The Edge, on campus.
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## Don't forget to follow us on social this semester

Stay updated with University happenings by joining our [Facebook group for current students](#) and by following [@UoLStudents](#) on Twitter.

You can also visit [students.leeds.ac.uk](https://students.leeds.ac.uk) for everything you'll need while you're at Leeds as well as [previous copies of our student newsletter](#).

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