

University life: Update and live Q&A

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Post your question in the Q&A pop up!

External Environment

- Working as sector with SG re pandemic – *regular meetings*
- Scottish Funding Council Review of Tertiary Education – *feeding in*
- Brexit – *ongoing work to understand impact fully*
- Funding – *Scottish Budget; HE settlement not yet clear*

Update

- Tri 1 module results comparable with last year
- Tri 2 teaching & learning online, except 'essential'
- Some students and staff on campus
- Research ongoing, staff and students
- Campus catering outlets closed
- *Returning to Campus Life* intranet site



Update

- Mental Health awareness training; 'Feel Fab February'
- Leave / holidays, reminder to plan
- Recruitment for Director People & Services
- School planning meetings
- SoC / SEBE discussions to exploit opportunities
- January intake (international / home / online) very positive
- Graduations

And ...



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Student residences

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- 380 students
- good compliance
- lease breaks



Trimester 3 and beyond

- Considering what in- person teaching for students?
 - Masters students
 - additional activities for undergraduates
- Timetabling for Tri 3
- Research - Innovation Hub
- Open more campus services in line with SG guidance
- Work ongoing to consider academic year 2021/22
 - Some decisions early; others later
 - Uncertainty
 - Flexible working; pedagogic developments



Staff feedback, shaping our future

- New Staff Survey, December (450 respondents)
 - *Key themes*: H&W, communication, leadership & recognition, community & belonging, ways of working
 - 10 questions (+); follow up focus groups
- Results shared
 - *positive*, H&W; comms; ways of working
 - *attention*, feeling valued; motivated to do best work
 - workload; isolation; home/work boundaries
- Local discussion and action
- Current survey open until Thursday



Driving Distinctiveness



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Our Purpose is to

Deliver high quality education and research to add value to the social, cultural and economic capital of our communities and shape their development

Our Strategic Objectives are to

**Build Careers –
Create Opportunities**



**Grow Networks –
Connect Communities**



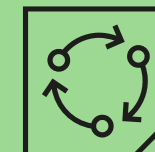
**Advance Knowledge –
Deliver Impact**



While being committed to...

Growing Sustainably

Net Zero Carbon by 2030



Our Success will be measured by our...

Academic
Reputation

Teaching
Outcomes

Research
Excellence

Student
Opportunities

Active
Partnerships

Societal
Impact

Staff
Engagement

Sustainability

My Contribution

- Add 2020/21 objectives
 - clarity; progress & pride; challenges & support; prioritise
- Improvements in 'system' based on your feedback
 - performance & personal development objectives in one place
- Positive feedback to date
- *Note* - remember to hit 'submit'!
- Lots of support available on the My Contribution staff intranet site

MyContribution

Above & Beyond

- Staff contributions and achievements
- Ten awards
- And *'Pride of Edinburgh Napier'* award
- Nominations accepted, 8th February to 5th March
- Recognise those in your School / Department

Great work

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2021 ... not the start we imagined ... Lockdown is hard

Resilience, commitment, support

We have critical contribution to shaping & building the future

Kindness; Tolerance



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