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**NORTHUMBRIA RECORDS
UK'S BIGGEST RISE
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The summer edition of Northumbria University News is out now!

Packed full of the latest news, features and interviews, the newspaper is the perfect way to keep up to date with the exciting developments taking place across the University. This edition celebrates Northumbria's extraordinary achievements from the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2021. The REF provides a unique analysis of research across UK universities.

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Research fellow receives £1.5m award to study climate change impacts on the Antarctic Ice Sheet

A researcher from Northumbria University has received a prestigious fellowship award to study Antarctica's future contribution to rising global sea level. Dr Jan De Rydt, a Senior Vice-Chancellor Research Fellow specialising in polar glaciology and oceanography, has become the University's fourth recipient of a UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) Future Leaders Fellowship Award. This enables him to further evaluate present-day and future changes to the Antarctic Ice Sheet and the impact this will have on sea level rise.

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Entrepreneurial talent shines at awards

Students and graduates from Northumbria University, were among the winners at a high-profile awards ceremony championing entrepreneurial talent in the North East. The Startup Awards North East celebrates early stage entrepreneurs and facilitates significant business support, mentoring and investment opportunities. Among the winners were graduate Rosie Bath, founder of Cera Cotton, a sustainable homeware brand selling plastic free, water resistant, wax cotton textile, and student Imogen Russell, founder of The Little Sleep Company - a sleep consultancy for families with babies and young children.

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Students enjoy shortlist success at Graduate Fashion Week 2022

Final year students from Northumbria University's three undergraduate Fashion programmes have impressed the judges at this year's Graduate Fashion Foundation Awards, with 26 students shortlisted across 16 different categories. This year the Foundation's flagship event Graduate Fashion Week, the world's largest showcase of talent for new graduates, took place 21 - 25 June at Coal Drops Yard, London. The event featured a presentation from Northumbria, online industry talks, design exhibitions and a digital portfolio platform.

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International recognition for Fine Art student

A talented Northumbria University student, known for her large-scale vibrant oil paintings, has been presented with the Student Artist of the Year Award by the Fine Art Trade Guild. Sophie Woodward, who is in her final year of the Fine Art BA (Hons) programme at Northumbria, was selected for the international honour at the Guild's Art and Framing Industry Awards 2022. The 22-year-old, who is now considering continuing her studies with a postgraduate programme at Northumbria, describes her favoured style of painting as 'maximalist'.

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Our first Higher Education Without Barriers postal mailings will be arriving on doorsteps later this month. This provides an update about our campaign, testimonies from students and outlines why support from our alumni community is vital in helping students to make the most of their Northumbria University experience. To ensure that you receive your mailing and be part of future campaigns, update your mailing and be part of future campaigns, update your details with us via the link below.

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Rolton Group engineers opportunities for graduates in the North East

Rolton Group, owned by Northumbria alumnus Peter Rolton, has announced a new scholarship programme to support women from minority ethnic backgrounds interested in studying engineering. The Rolton Group Undergraduate Engineering Scholarships provide £6,000 for academically talented women from Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic backgrounds to study one of Northumbria University's engineering courses.

[Find out more](#)



Business Studies class of 1974 reunites

Graduates from the Business Studies Degree at what was then Newcastle Polytechnic returned to Newcastle City Campus for a reunion. The Alumni Association were delighted to support Pete Wilkin, John Tolhurst, Richard Ball, Martin McNally, Chris Walwyn-James and Chris Barsby on setting up the visit to catch up on 40 years of career updates and news. Chris Barsby was unable to join the reunion in-person, but not wanting to miss out, participated virtually all the way from Saudi Arabia.

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Are you part of a Northumbria alumni network?

Alumni networks are an important way to stay connected to the University and fellow alumni from your programme of study. We are reaching out to our alumni community to find out more about existing networks and how we can help support and promote these through the Alumni Association for new members to join. If you are currently a member of an alumni network or would like to establish a new network, please get in touch.

[Find out more](#)



Celebrating 50 years of Quantity Surveying and Real Estate

In celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Quantity Surveying and Real Estate programmes from Newcastle Polytechnic and Northumbria University there will be a series of events and activities next year to reconnect alumni. This will include an alumni networking event; a lecture series focusing on land, property and construction and opportunity to join a Northumbria University Quantity Surveying and Real Estate Alumni Network. Ensure you update your details to find out more and get involved via the link below.

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GRADUATE FUTURES



Graduate Futures launches the Graduate Careers Club

Northumbria's [Graduate Futures Graduate Careers Club](#) provides support to recent graduates starting their career journey. If you graduated within the last five years you can take advantage of a range of free benefits. If you've recently graduated, you'll need to log in to both JobsOnline and Careers Online with your student login and update your profile with a personal email address to continue to access these resources as a graduate. If you no longer have access to your student IT account you will need to register for a graduate account.

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DONATE

There are a range of opportunities to support the University and our students. With your support we can continue to inspire students to take on the challenges of tomorrow without financial barriers. Join our growing numbers of alumni supporters today!



OBITUARIES

We commemorate and celebrate the lives of alumni and friends of the University who are no longer with us. If you would like to submit an obituary for an alumnus or former member of staff for inclusion, please email alumni@northumbria.ac.uk.



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