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Working together to make a difference!

Read about how our alumni community has supported our students through the Higher Education Without Barriers Fund in our Impact Report 2023/24.

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Help support our Mental Health First Aid Appeal this Giving Tuesday

Can you help more students to participate in training that enables them to recognise and understand mental health issues and respond with care and compassion?

- £35 will cover the cost of training one student mental health first aider
- £5 a month can support Mental Health First Aid all year round

Anything you can give will make a difference.

[Find out more and donate now](#)

NEWS



North East universities respond to proposals for higher education reform

The five universities in North East England have responded to the UK Government's priorities for higher education reform, committing to work together and with others to accelerate economic growth in the region. The Vice-Chancellors of Northumbria, Durham, Newcastle, Sunderland and Teesside universities outlined their vision for greater collaboration to improve access for disadvantaged students.

[Find out more](#)



Northumbria achieves Race Equality Charter Bronze Award

Northumbria University has been awarded the Race Equality Charter (REC) Bronze Award by Advance HE in recognition of its commitment to addressing inequalities and advancing race equality. This provides a rigorous framework through which institutions work to critically reflect and act on institutional and cultural barriers. Northumbria now joins the ranks of 100 Race Equality Charter members, holding 52 awards between them.

[Find out more](#)



Returning to campus to meet our students

This year many of our alumni have returned to campus to share their experiences and inspirational stories, helping our students think about their future career journey and aspirations.

Recent graduate speakers have included Michelle Poole, former President of Crocs, Jim Rowan, President and Chief Executive Officer of Volvo Cars, and Ian Buckle, Vice-President, Head of Brand and Design, of Nilfisk.

[Find out more](#)



Graduate entrepreneur franchises business with support from Northumbria

Northumbria graduate Hasan Hamid has launched two successful businesses – a marketing agency and a burger brand with restaurants currently operating around the North East. Hasan benefitted from support from Northumbria's Incubator and mentoring guidance from fellow graduate and expert in franchising, Jonathan Holden, COO at Molly Maid UK. Burger Drop will soon open franchises in locations across England and Scotland.

[Find out more](#)



Scholarship success for architecture student

An architecture student from Northumbria University has been named as one of five students in the UK to be awarded a prestigious scholarship by the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) and Wren Insurance Association. Liam Philpot, who is currently in the final year of a Masters in Architecture programme, will receive £7,500 and the opportunity to be mentored by an architect member of the Wren Insurance Association.

[Find out more](#)



Alumni reunions on campus

We have been delighted to welcome Northumbria graduates back to campus for reunion events throughout this year. Steve Bostock, who attended the 50 years of Business Studies reunion, said: "It was extremely impressive to see the new (to us!) library and sports centre. We also reminisced in the Students' Union building and outside Claude Gibb Halls where some of us lived during the first year of the course. It all helped to remind us of the happy days when we were students". If you'd like to host a reunion, [get in touch](#) with us for information or assistance.

[Find out more](#)



Read the latest issue of Northumbria University News: Autumn 2024 edition

The Northumbria newspaper will keep you up-to-date with what is happening at your University. In this issue you can hear about Northumbria being named Modern University of the Year 2025 by The Times and The Sunday Times.

[Read now](#)

EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES



Northumbria University Carol Service

You and your family are invited to Northumbria University's Carol Service on Monday, 16 December 2024, at 6.30pm in Newcastle Cathedral. The Carol Service will include performances from the University and Cathedral Choirs and will also be [live-streamed](#).

[Book your place](#)



New year, new career? Let the Graduate Careers Club support you!

Start the new year by focusing on your future with Northumbria's Graduate Futures Team, who can offer free, tailored support for up to five years after graduation. As part of the Graduate Careers Club, you will have access to graduate vacancies, one-to-one guidance (in-person and online), exclusive resources and employer events to help you navigate post-university life. Join our January Graduate Careers Club sessions to find out more, connect with advisers and network with fellow graduates.

[Find out more](#)



Opportunity for aspiring writers with launch of annual awards

Final year students, and alumni who have graduated from Northumbria in the last 10 years, are being invited to enter this year's Northern Writers' Awards, with a £2,000 prize up for grabs. The Northern Writers' Awards is the largest and longest-running writer development programme in England. The Northumbria Student and Alumni Award will close on 6 February 2025.

[Find out more and enter](#)



Renewable Energy Northeast Universities Plus (ReNU+) – Centre for Doctoral Training

This unique and ambitious programme will train the next-generation of doctoral carbon champions. The online pre-application workshops give insights into a PhD programme with ReNU+ and the application process. These workshops are designed to help prepare a strong PhD application by offering valuable insights and guidance. There will be an opportunity to hear from current PhD researchers as they share their experiences and tips for successfully applying to a PhD programme. Book now for our workshops in December and January.

[Find out more and book now](#)



Computing Live Projects – launching in 2025!

This 10-week programme starts in January and will help second year undergraduate student teams tackle small industry projects in Computer Science, Networks and Cyber Security, Games Computing, Business Computing and Data Science. Can you or your organisation offer a student live project? [Graduate Futures](#) can facilitate introductions and help you connect with students to get your project off the ground with students working part-time to benefit your business!

[Talk to us to find out more](#)



Apply to join our UKRI AI Centre for Doctoral Training in Citizen-Centred Artificial Intelligence

We are recruiting students from all disciplines to join Northumbria University's 4-year PhD programme at the UKRI AI Centre for Doctoral Training in Citizen-Centred Artificial Intelligence (CCAI). This Centre will place the citizen at the forefront of new AI developments, through the process of design, development implementation and evaluation of AI innovation. No prior AI expertise is needed as training in AI and a personalised training plan will be offered.

[Discover more and apply now](#)



Develop your digital, leadership and net zero skills for free with Santander Open Academy

Santander Open Academy is a free online learning platform providing you with a broad range of courses to help unlock your potential.

You can also support our students by accessing the platform. For every registration, Santander will donate £1.20 to Northumbria's Higher Education Without Barriers Fund.

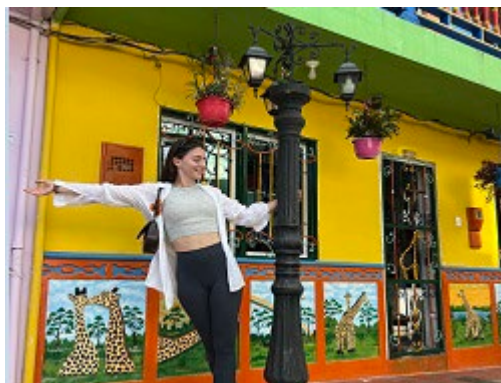
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Paid international internships in France: exciting opportunities open to graduates!

Discover two paid internships in France with Université Polytechnique Hauts-de-France (UPHF). Opportunities include a Computer Science Internship for those with a background in automation, applied mathematics or computer science and an English Language Assistant role for teaching or humanities graduates. Gain international experience earning up to €650 per month.

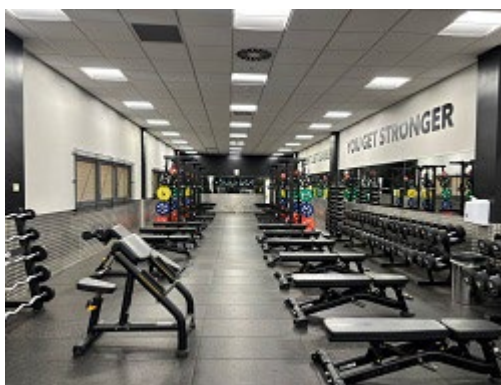
[Find out more and apply](#)



Spend a month abroad with a partially funded international programme

We have 21 programmes in 17 different countries where you can volunteer or complete an internship abroad. If you're still planning the next steps in your career, these programmes are a great way to gain valuable international experience to boost your CV whilst receiving financial support from the university.

[Find out more and apply](#)



Brand-new Sport Central gym

The Sport Central gym has been recently refurbished and now includes brand-new state-of-the-art MATRIX Fitness equipment, plus cardio, strength, functional and free weights equipment. As a graduate you can join the Sport Central gym at a reduced 'Associate Membership' rate, which includes access to the gym, group exercise classes, swimming pool, sauna and steam room.

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GET INVOLVED

Northumbria University Alumni Association encourages our graduates to get involved in the work of the University as one of our Alumni Ambassadors. From providing an alumni profile to providing a lecture, talk or workshop, there are lots of ways to volunteer.



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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