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Hot off the press! Northumbria Partner of Choice Supplement

Our Partner of Choice Supplement is now available online. Read more about the many ways that Northumbria works with businesses regionally and nationally to support their growth and success - from workforce development through to research collaborations. Download and view the new Business to Business supplement by clicking 'read more'.

[Read more](#)



Virtual Events at Northumbria

This academic year, all of the University's **Public Lectures, Performances and Exhibitions** have been brought online. Wherever you are in the world, you can attend lectures from high profile guest speakers, Inaugural Lectures from the University's leading lights, and check out some of the region's most talented musicians in our online concerts from the comfort of your own home. Northumbria has also hosted a series of virtual conferences this year. For more information on how we could support your virtual or hybrid event, get in touch with our Venues team.

[**Get in touch**](#)

Alumni News



Still time to register your interest!

There is still time to register your interest in the **Employ Autism Higher Education Network**, a new partnership with **Ambitious about Autism** and Santander UK Universities. We're looking for hosts from a wide range of sectors, however are particularly keen to secure representation from IT and Technology employers. Employers who can offer work experience placements for Northumbria University autistic students and graduates benefit from free training and support. These opportunities are fully funded and commence from Spring 2021.

[Get in touch](#)



Get Back On Track With Your Career event

Negotiating the job market in a pandemic is challenging. The Graduate Futures Service offers Northumbria graduates support to achieve their career plans, and advice if they're unsure about their next steps. As part of this support, 2019 and 2020 graduates can now book a place for a virtual event on 9 March 2021, **Get Back On Track With Your Career**. Throughout the day there will be a series of webinars to increase your awareness of opportunities in Post-COVID and develop the skills needed in a disrupted job market.

[Find out more](#)



Chris Jones
American Exchange Programme, 1990
Co-Founder & Chief Financial Officer, Dutaite Rentals

Reconnect with the Alumni Association!

American Exchange Programme alumnus, Chris Jones, recently reconnected with Northumbria University and last year came back to campus to share his career experience with students. He also set up three scholarships to support students from under-represented backgrounds. In his [alumni profile film](#) he shares his reasons for wanting to reconnect with the Association and why he wants to retain a lifelong link with his alma mater. To continue your relationship with the University and Alumni Association ensure that your contact details and mailing preferences are up to date.

[Stay connected](#)



Get involved in Careers on the Couch

Careers on the Couch is a ground-breaking YouTube series developed by the Graduate Futures team to support students facing a challenging job market during the pandemic. The student careers advocates team are currently planning future episodes and are interested in hearing from alumni and employers who would like to get involved with sharing guidance or expertise to support disabled students with the recruitment process. Find Graduate Futures on YouTube [here](#) and watch all episodes of Careers on the Couch [here](#).

[Register your interest](#)

Northumbria Sport's brand new podcast brings together six 'Northumbria Legends'



The new Podcast launched this month with a **Leadership Series** chatting about all things leadership and sport. In the first episode, six former Student Sport Presidents reflect on their time at Northumbria and discuss how their experiences opened up opportunities, created resilience and gave them a lifelong community. Expect Sports Ball memories, reminiscing about BUCS Wednesdays, Stan Calvert, Zambia and 24 Hours of Netball, PLUS how they all ended up working in education!

[Listen now](#)



Student Specific Internship Scheme

University funding can part-fund (75%) an eligible business to employ a Northumbria student for up to 130 hours. These hours can be used over a period up to 30 June 2021, as agreed between the intern, the University and the employer. This funding can be accessed by small and medium sized employers and larger organisations, including those in the public sector. We are keen to secure internships for students on Psychology and Film and TV Production programmes to increase the employability of students with little or no work experience.

[Find out more](#)



The memories that make us

BA (Hons) Design alumnus and Co-Founder of Gardiner Richardson, Darren Richardson, shared with us what studying at Northumbria, then called Newcastle Polytechnic, meant to him. 'The 80s was a very special time to be starting a career in the creative industry and Newcastle Poly was a very special place for me. An inspiring group of people in an inspiring place. They nurtured my skills, prepared me mentally and gave me the confidence to enter into commercial world as a graphic designer. I can safely say I wouldn't be where I am today without that very unique experience.'

[Share your memories](#)



BSc (Hons) Business Information Technology class of 1996 25th anniversary reunion

It is more important than ever before to nurture our relationships, stay in touch and reconnect with old friends. If you wish to host or join a future alumni reunion, share your knowledge in an alumni chapter or reunite with a class mate, we can make it easier for you to make contact. We are currently supporting a 25th Anniversary Reunion for the BSc (Hons) Business Information Technology programme and would be delighted to reconnect more alumni from this 1996 graduation year.

[Find out more](#)

**Do you have Northumbria University family links?
We want to hear your story!**



Did you follow in your mum's footsteps and graduate from Northumbria? Did your child follow in your footsteps and graduate from Northumbria? We want to hear from you. With Mother's Day around the corner, we want graduates with Northumbria family links to share their story and be part of our special social media Mothering Sunday tribute on the 14th March. To submit your story simply drop us an email by clicking 'Share your story'.

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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.

Get Involved

In addition to our COVID-19 Fundraising Campaign, there are a range of other opportunities to support the University and students. With your support we can continue to inspire our students to take on the challenges of tomorrow without financial barriers. Join our growing numbers of alumni supporters today!

Donate

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.

Obituaries

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