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NEWS BULLETIN

Northumbria's graduates are everywhere. From Newcastle to New York, Singapore to Grenada, our community of alumni span 178 countries and are building careers, forging connections, and **making their mark on the world**.

In this edition, we're celebrating the global network that you are part of. Whether you're collaborating with fellow Northumbria graduates halfway across the world, giving back through mentoring and volunteering, or supporting the next generation through scholarships and donations, the reach and impact of this community continue to grow.

Being part of a global network means more than sharing an alma mater. It means access to a **worldwide community of professionals**, a shared set of values, and the knowledge that wherever your career takes you, you're never far from a fellow Northumbria graduate.

Read on to find out how our alumni, partners and donors are making a difference, and how you can play your part in a **community that truly spans the globe**.

UNIVERSITY NEWS



Major publishing centre is coming to Newcastle

Northumbria University confirms £2m funding, bringing the total investment in a new Centre for Writing and Publishing to £10.5m, building on earlier awards from the government and Newcastle City Council, plus £2m from the North East Mayor set for approval. The Centre for Writing and Publishing will create a hub for the publishing industry in the North, bringing writers, publishers, academics, students, the creative industries and the wider public under one roof.

[Read the full story](#)



Unlocking the secrets of Vivienne Westwood's craft

A fashion researcher and educator from Northumbria has created what is believed to be the first-ever in-depth exploration of Vivienne Westwood's pattern cutting and construction techniques to be presented in a UK museum, as part of a landmark new exhibition. Running until 6 September at The Bowes Museum in Barnard Castle, County Durham, the exhibition showcases the cut and construction of Westwood's garments — work which was conceived, researched and produced by graduate and now Assistant Professor, Emma Jane Goldsmith from Northumbria University's Fashion team.

[Read the full story](#)



Solving the mystery behind Saturn's spin

Researchers at Northumbria University have used the most powerful space telescope ever built to answer one of the longest-standing puzzles in planetary science – why does Saturn appear to spin at a different speed depending on how you measure it? The study led by Professor Tom Stallard revealed for the first time the complex patterns of heat and electrically charged particles in Saturn's aurora and showed that the entire system is driven by a self-sustaining feedback loop powered by the planet's own northern lights.

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Northumbria launches new series of public exhibitions

Programme Northumbria is an arts centre with a difference, showcasing the breadth and excellence of the university's creative research across multiple spaces. Exhibitions exploring diverse contemporary themes will run up until August 2026 across Northumbria's Newcastle campus and beyond.

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Graduate's journey from Netflix to Newcastle

Rehan Malik co-created Bangkok Breaking, one of Thailand's biggest Netflix shows, and is now using artificial intelligence to revolutionise film and TV production, while championing the writers and creatives who bring stories to life. Rehan turned to Northumbria University's Computer Science with Artificial Intelligence Master's programme and now receives business support through Northumbria's Incubator Hub for his company Coherent 360 - a human-centred AI lab dedicated to artificial intelligence-driven solutions for the film and TV industry.

[Read the full story](#)



Northumbria graduate's epic Indian adventure

Founder, podcaster and business graduate, Laura Barber was part of a group of 35 female founders who were rallying tuk-tuks for charity across India from Chennai to Goa. Together, the group have been fundraising for three life-changing charities that are supporting women and children in underserved communities in Chennai. Congratulations Laura!

[Find out more and donate](#)



Meet the graduate using AI to detect cardiovascular disease

Jack Parker, CEO and Founder of AIATELLA, has developed groundbreaking AI technology that could save thousands of lives by speeding up the timescales of cardiovascular diagnosis. The North East of England faces stark health disparities, where life expectancy among communities can vary greatly between regions just miles apart. This fuelled Jack's vision for AIATELLA whose technology can currently reduce cardiovascular diagnosis time from upwards of 30 minutes to less than 3 minutes.

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Celebrate our graduates and Northumbria's REVEAL showcase

Northumbria University's annual REVEAL degree shows spotlight the exceptional work of graduating students across the arts, design, fashion, architecture and beyond – with a special milestone this academic year marking 70 years of Fashion programmes at the University. Running from late April through to the end of June, REVEAL 2026 will span more than a dozen disciplines, with events taking place across Northumbria's Newcastle City Campus and at prestigious cultural partner venues including BALTIC Centre for Contemporary Art and Live Theatre.

[Find out more and register](#)

OPPORTUNITIES & EVENTS



We're coming back to New York!

Northumbria's Alumni Association is hosting a football watch party at Peter Dillons, New York, on 17 May 2026 from 12pm. Whether you followed Newcastle United during your studies or just want an excuse to cheer on your home away from home, come and enjoy the match in great company. If you couldn't join us last summer, take this opportunity to network, reconnect with fellow graduates and meet professionals from across your city.

[Register your attendance](#)



Join us at our first social event in Boston

Building on the success of our alumni socials in New York, we are excited to announce our very first event in Boston! On 19 May 2026, Northumbria's Alumni Association will be heading to The Banshee Pub, Boston, for an evening of networking and catching up with old friends. Help us make our first Boston social one to remember.

[Register your attendance](#)



St George's University alumni celebration

Northumbria University is partnering with St George's University, Grenada, to host a special joint alumni celebration in New York. Hosted by Vice-Chancellor Professor Andy Long and SGU President Dr Marios Loukas, the event brings together alumni and students from both institutions on Friday 15 May 2026, 4pm – 7pm at Versa Rooftop, Renaissance Hotel. If you studied through the SGU partnership, this evening is for you.

[Register your attendance](#)



Join our upcoming alumni reception event in Singapore

We are hosting an Alumni Reception at The Ritz-Carlton, Millenia Singapore on Friday 12 June to coincide with the annual congregation ceremony, in partnership with Kaplan Higher Education Academy. You are invited to join us to reconnect with old friends, build new networks, and share your career journey. The event will be attended by the graduating Class of 2026, alumni, current students, and future applicants. We look forward to celebrating your achievements with you.

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Introducing Graduate Fashion Week 2026 in style

Celebrate 70 years of Fashion at Northumbria at Graduate Fashion Week 2026. Join us at The Old Truman Brewery, Brick Lane, London, to see collections and creative work from our BA Fashion, Fashion Design & Marketing, and Fashion Communication students. The catwalk show takes place on Wednesday 17 June at 5:45 pm, followed by a reception marking this landmark anniversary.

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Ready to go further? Return for an MBA or MPA

Newcastle Business School's part-time Master of Business Administration (MBA) and Master of Public Administration (MPA) are designed for professionals ready to step into senior leadership, whether in business, public service, or the third sector. Both courses fit around your working life, with flexible workshop-based study that you can apply directly to your role. You'll share a core first year before

choosing the pathway that best matches your ambitions. Delivered by an AACSB-accredited school.

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Advance your career with a NEBOSH qualification

Held by over 200,000 professionals worldwide, the NEBOSH National General Certificate in Occupational Health and Safety is the gold standard in workplace safety qualifications. Delivered part-time and fully online by Northumbria — a NEBOSH Gold Learning Partner — this nine-month programme fits around your working life. With intakes in January, May and September, it's never been easier to invest in your professional development.

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Celebrating 15 years of Northumbria's Centre for Global Development



Across the world, intersecting crises, conflicts and rapidly evolving geopolitical priorities are accompanied by growing inequalities and political polarisation. Northumbria's Centre for Global Development will mark its 15th anniversary by hosting a one-day interdisciplinary event to explore the vital role of community action in addressing intersecting global crises and envisioning more sustainable and equitable global futures at this critical moment.

[Register your attendance](#)

Join a community of women in STEM



FeminSTEM is designed to empower early-career women in STEM across the UK through events, education, and support. The aim is to create an inclusive community where women feel seen, valued, and inspired to succeed. It offers social events, learning opportunities, and weekly inspiration to help build confidence and open doors for women in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

[Sign up for the FeminSTEM weekly newsletter](#)



Could you inspire our next generation of graduates?

We're building a network of industry professionals to deliver guest lectures to our students here at Northumbria University. Guest lectures are a great way to raise your profile with emerging talent, strengthen your relationship with us, and give students a real-world perspective on your sector. Sessions can be in-person or online. No formal presentation experience is needed, just a willingness to share your insights with the next generation.

[Register your interest](#)

Boost your CV with international experience

Northumbria is proud to offer students and recent graduates the opportunity to partake in a series of International Short Programmes over spring/summer, where you can work, study or volunteer abroad on a partially funded programme. There are still spaces available for graduates who are within 12 months of their course completion date to take part in a programme in either Sri Lanka or Morocco this summer!



[Find out more and apply](#)



Interested in the use of modern technologies in construction?

From data sensing and Artificial Intelligence to 3D printing and robotics, modern technologies are transforming industries worldwide, including construction. The integration of these advanced technologies and off-site methods of construction needs to be fostered to overcome the productivity challenges faced by the construction industry. The Transforming Construction with Off-Site Methods and Technologies (TCOT 2026) conference is pushing the boundaries of traditional construction practices and embracing the future of building.

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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.



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 a graduate or former member of staff for inclusion, please email alumni@northumbria.ac.uk.



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