

UNIVERSITY NEWS



Northumbria shortlisted for best university in the UK

Northumbria University has been nominated for University of the Year in the Times Higher Education (THE) Awards 2022. These national awards recognise exceptional performance as well as bold, imaginative and innovative initiatives that have advanced a Higher Education institution's reputation during the academic year 2020/21. Northumbria's nomination reflects its transformation in recent years to become the UK's first research-intensive modern university.

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Northumbria University awards honorary degrees at its summer congregations

In July, congregation ceremonies at the University's City Campus marked the success of graduates and honorary graduates. Northumbria University awards honorary degrees to individuals who have obtained the very highest standards of scholarship, outstanding achievement, or distinction worthy of national or international recognition in their academic or professional field.

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Northumbria University and BFI launch bold cultural partnership

Northumbria University has joined forces with BFI (British Film Institute), which is the UK's leading organisation for film and the moving image. This ambitious partnership will provide leading networks, insights and experiences for staff and students across the University. BFI will work with Northumbria on a variety of projects including live briefs, masterclasses and curriculum development for undergraduate and postgraduate arts and humanities students.

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Northumbria to host award-winning Design for Planet festival

Northumbria University's School of Design has been announced as the venue for this year's Design for Planet Festival, aimed at galvanising the design community to help tackle climate change. The Design Council's flagship event was held at the V&A in Dundee last year, and brought together 120 sustainable design leaders, 6,000 online attendees and was awarded Gold in the GOV Design Awards 2022. The 2022 festival will take place on 8 and 9 November and will focus on action planning and co-designing solutions to help the climate crisis.

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NORTHUMBRIA RECORDS UK'S BIGGEST RISE IN RESEARCH POWER FOR SECOND TIME*

Sign up to receive a free copy of Northumbria University News!

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. It shows where research stands in terms of quality and output on the domestic and global stage.

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ALUMNI NEWS



Enterprise-Rent-A-Car provides support for ten new scholarships

Last year Enterprise established an inaugural Business and Management Scholarship. Following this success, they have extended their support ten-fold with a five-figure donation to establish ten postgraduate scholarships. Launching in this month, five will be Business and Management-focused, and a further five Sports scholarships are planned for 2023. Louise Sivewright, Talent Acquisition Marketing Specialist at Enterprise commented "Enterprise Rent-A-Car is proud to support this wonderful initiative and provide for students at Northumbria."

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Northumbria graduates recognised for talent and professionalism

Two recent Northumbria University graduates have been awarded Institute of Travel and Tourism (ITT) Centre of Excellence Student of the Year Awards for their outstanding academic achievements. Newcastle Business School graduates from Travel and Tourism, Darcy Worcester who graduated in 2021 and Tom Spencer who graduated in 2020, received their awards at the ITT Summer Party, which was held at the House of Commons.

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Northumbria graduates set their designs even higher after award wins

Graduating students from Northumbria University are celebrating more than just finishing their studies after gaining a raft of accolades in the field of design. A total of 49 students from the School of Design exhibited their work at New Designers, the longest running design showcase in the country, with many picking up several awards in the process. One of the event's big winners was Harriet Almond of the Design for Industry course, whose project Snoot for the Brilliantly Useful Design Award was selected by judges.

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Four Northumbria students scoop awards at Graduate Fashion Week

26 talented Fashion students from Northumbria University made it on to the shortlist for awards at this year's Graduate Fashion Week. The world's largest showcase of new graduate talent returned to Coal Drops Yard in London with four students from Northumbria being honoured with Graduate Fashion Foundation Award trophies. Those on the shortlist were tasked with presenting their work in person during the event for the final stage of judging.

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Make a charitable donation in your will

Recent generous gifts to Northumbria University from the estates of Dr Robert McCrone Laird, Joan Goudie and Monica Cheale are all providing support for the INTO Centre Newcastle which aims to inspire young people from disadvantaged backgrounds to progress into Higher Education. The Centre provides support for 7-18 year olds, including academic support, soft skills development and career support to enable young people to achieve a university place or another chosen aspiration. Including a charitable donation in your will is a simple process that can provide far reaching support for future generations.

Find out more



Make your mark in Black History Month!

October marks Black History Month in the UK, celebrating black culture, heritage, and history. The Students' Union is organising a programme of events throughout the month to celebrate, and a range of empowerment events throughout the year. They are seeking alumni to join them for a festival of celebration on Friday 21 October 2022, alongside alumni who would be interested in being part of 'The Empowerment Project', a year-long initiative aiming to provide students with employability skills, networking opportunities, and a strong community.

Get involved

GRADUATE FUTURES



Help students learn about diverse and inclusive workplaces

Many companies include diversity & inclusion on their website, but it can be hard for students to identify employers who truly value diversity. Have you asked for adjustments in the workplace? Or do you have experience of working as part of a diverse team? Northumbria's Career Planning Team is looking for alumni to share their experiences of how to find companies that adopt a diverse and inclusive culture. You can get involved and support current students by providing a case study or taking part in an alumni panel discussion in November.

Get involved



Graduate Outcomes survey needs you!

The <u>Graduate Outcomes survey</u> is the UK's biggest annual social survey. Recent graduates will be invited to join in 15 months after completing their studies. Your valuable response adds to the collective voice of graduates and the results will give current and future students an insight into career destinations and development. You will receive an email from HESA on behalf of Northumbria University with an invitation to complete the survey online. The data collected is important to Northumbria, so please help us by completing the survey when you are contacted to do so and ensuring your details are up to date.

Update your details







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.



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!



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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