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Call for graduate 'opt in'

Forthcoming changes to the rules which oversee how organisations keep in touch by email will impact on how you hear from Queen's. We need you to formally 'opt in' to allow us to keep you up-to-date with all the latest news and event details from your alma mater. Find out more by visiting our [website](#) or 'opt in' today using the link below.

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Good Friday Agreement – 20th Anniversary

Key figures involved in the drafting of the Belfast/Good Friday Agreement are set to gather at Queen's University next month for a 'sold out' event to mark its 20th Anniversary.

The event is the only one of its kind to reunite key influencers on the 1998 Agreement to explore progress made since then – locally, nationally and internationally – and to consider the challenges for the future.

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Honorary Graduates – Class of 2018

Queen's has named 15 leading figures from the world of business, science, sport, academia and the arts as Honorary Graduates for 2018.

The University awards honorary degrees to individuals who have achieved high distinction or given significant service in one or more fields of public or professional life, and who serve as ambassadors for Queen's and Northern Ireland around the world.

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Donor News 2018

Donor News – the University review of philanthropic support during 2017 – has been mailed to over 8,000 donors and volunteers worldwide who have supported Queen's in the last 12 months.

An online version of *Donor News*, and details on how all readers can share their feedback and take part in a special competition, is available via the link below. But hurry – the competition closes on 30 March!

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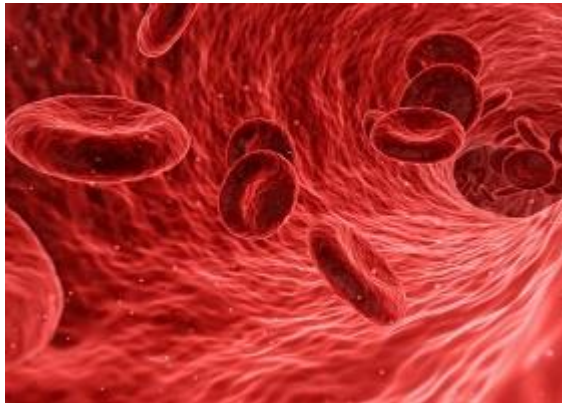
New MBA launched

A new full-time Master of Business Administration (MBA) programme has been launched at Queen's to address the increasing demand from local employers for business school graduates.

The yearlong course includes a five-day visit to San Francisco to meet leading entrepreneurs from global business start-ups and established firms in May 2019. It also features an off-campus residential focused on team-building and goal setting.

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RESEARCH NEWS



New blood test

Dr Chris Watson from the Centre for Experimental Medicine at Queen's is set to explore whether certain gene markers in the blood could be used to identify coronary heart disease thereby improving the lives of patients through better treatment, care strategies and survival.

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Exploring prehistoric ceramic in Malta

Dr Catriona Brogan, a Research Fellow from the School of Natural and Built Environment at Queen's, has been awarded a Marie Curie fellowship worth €160,000, which will enable her to spend 2-years exploring the earliest ceramic traditions of Malta in the central Mediterranean.

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GRADUATE NEWS



Peter Dickson – voiceover man!

The voiceover man behind the booming voice of ITV's X Factor – Queen's graduate, Peter Dickson (BA Psychology, 1979) – made a return visit to his alma mater in February for a lunchtime Q&A at SARC – the University's Sonic Arts Research Centre.

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Royal Institute of
British Architects

Commendation for Luca Garoli

In one of the highest achievements for a Queen's Architecture graduate, Luca Garoli (Class of 2017), has been recognised by the Royal Institute of British Architects. Luca was awarded a High Commendation in the RIBA President's Medals at a recent ceremony.

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QUB Big Band Concert

The annual concert of spring favourites from the jazz and big band repertoire comes earlier than usual this year! Please join us at the popular Black Box venue in the Cathedral Quarter to enjoy a night of traditional and modern classics for Big Band.

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A Night at the Opera

Final year BMus students at Queen's will perform their own arrangement of *The Poor Soldier*, a comic opera with text by John O'Keefe and music by William Shields, directed by Ciara Conway and Judith Wiemers.

Enjoy this free performance in the beautiful surroundings of the Harty Room in the School of Music building, 20 University Square, starting at 7.30pm. Admission is free and all are welcome.

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QGA President's Spring Reception

Members of the Queen's Graduates' Association (QGA) will get the chance to network with fellow alumni in an informal setting at the President's Spring Reception, hosted by First Trust Bank on University Road on Wednesday 2 May - so make a note of the date now!

Further details will be emailed to members in due course. To learn more about the Association - and to find out how to join - click on the link below.

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QUAL Golf Day

Queen's University Association, London (QUAL) will be holding its annual outing at Beaconsfield Golf Club on Friday 18 May. Coffee on arrival (9.15am) and a bacon butty, tee off will be 10am. Enjoy a 2 course lunch and prizegiving afterwards for £67, inclusive of green fees. For further details or to book a place, please email [John Kelly](#) by Friday 11 May.

Find out more about the activities of QUAL and how to join below.

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YOUR SUPPORT MATTERS



Can you help please? Sharing your expertise and support will enable the University to deliver a better experience for students studying at Queen's today.

Graduate 'opt in'

Sign up for Net Community - Queen's online forum which allows graduates to view and update their own personal information online, *wherever* they are - to indicate your *preferred* means of keeping in touch with Queen's.

Click below to register today.

[Register now](#)

One million steps for CCRCB

Are you looking for the ultimate step challenge which will help you get the exercise habit and support local cancer research at Queen's Centre for Cancer Research and Cell Biology?

You can decide when your 100 days start or wait for the brighter nights and join the team starting on Sunday 25th March.

To find out more visit Positive Health Moves on Facebook by clicking on the link below.

Find out more

Farewell to the Students' Union building

The Students' Union building on University Road is due to close later this year to make way for a new world-class student centre which will open in September 2021.

We'd love to hear your memories of the building which has served generations of Queen's students since the late 1960s. Please email your stories - and photos if you still have them - to alumni@qub.ac.uk.

The best of those received will be published in *The Graduate* later in the year, while others will be uploaded to the alumni website.

Scholarship funders or recipients - call for stories

We are keen to hear from graduates who have benefitted from philanthropy at Queen's (scholarships, bursaries, placements) and from anyone who has provided a gift which has been used to support the student experience or University research.

How did it change your world to be a recipient? What difference did it make to your Queen's experience? Did philanthropy enable you to follow the career path that you wanted to?

And for those who gave a gift - of time or money - to Queen's - what motivated you to do so? How important do you think it is to support the University in this way? How would you encourage your fellow graduates to do likewise?

Please email your stories - and any photographs you might have - to alumni@qub.ac.uk.



Volunteering

If you would like to volunteer your time, skills and knowledge, then we'd love to hear from you!

There are numerous ways you can support Queen's as a volunteer, irrespective of where you live.

Volunteering can be very rewarding and is an excellent way to re-engage with Queen's.

Find out more



Stay in touch through social media

Connect with your former classmates and keep up with what's happening at Queen's via social media!

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