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February 2016



## Vice-Chancellor's Open Forum

Tuesday 9 February, 12.30–1.30pm,  
Bramall Music Building.

The Vice-Chancellor will be interviewed by Stephen Khan, Editor of *The Conversation UK*, on key issues facing the higher education sector and the University.

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## Birmingham Professional Forum

Tuesday 8 March, 2.00–3.00pm,  
Bramall Music Building.

The Forum is introduced by the Registrar and Secretary, Lee Sanders. The agenda will follow.

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### Devolution Revolution

Thursday 11 February, 12.30–  
1.30pm.

Cathy Gilbert, Director of External Relations and Catherine State, Director of INLOGOV discuss the latest developments, challenges and opportunities around the Midlands Engine and WMCA.

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### Enhancing Equality

The University of Birmingham has climbed 29 places to rank 50th overall in Stonewall's definitive list of Britain's most gay-friendly workplaces.

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### Staff Fundraising Week

Join colleagues across campus to help raise funds for life-changing cancer research. From curry nights to cake sales, staff are organising a variety of events between 15–19 February.

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### Lord Bilimoria's Chaplaincy Lecture

Tuesday 23 February, 5.15pm,  
Worship Room, St Francis Hall.  
The Everlasting Flame of Zoroastrian Identity: An unbroken thread of achievement from Cyrus the Great to today.

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## *Chance, Order, Change*

Thursday 25 February, 5.15–6.30pm.  
Enjoy an exclusive staff viewing of the exciting new Barber exhibition, featuring abstract paintings by Josef Albers, Victor Pasmore, Bridget Riley and more.

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## Researchfish

Reporting research outcomes via Researchfish is mandatory, and a vital part of the funding process. Why not come along to a drop-in session where expert users will be on hand to answer questions?

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## InnovateUK funding

Dr Hannah Batchelor will be talking about her experience working with Innovate UK, while members of the Research Support team will explain how you can access similar funding.

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## New Resource Lists

Resource Lists is an improved system for students to view recommended library resources; bringing together books, articles, scans and multimedia, all in one place. Integrate your dynamic lists via Canvas.

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## Crowdfunding Seminar

24 February, 12.00noon–1.45pm,  
BizzInn.  
Raising start-up capital is the biggest challenge in business. This seminar

## Nick Winser Lecture

Thursday 11 February, 6.00–7.00pm,  
Muirhead Tower, G15. 'Global Energy Policy Challenges, Innovation and the Catapult' – Nick Winser, Chair of the Energy Systems Catapult, reviews

explains how crowdfunding platforms work, and how to plan a successful campaign.

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the UK's objectives for the transformation of UK and global energy systems.

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## Universitas 21 (U21)

Funding is available for staff and students to travel to our prestigious U21 partner universities, including staff fellowships, PhD scholarships, and UG Summer Event Bursaries in China, Ecuador, Korea and Mexico.

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## Teaching Academy events

A new series of Teaching Academy seminars start in February, relating to the priority themes of the Collaborative Teaching Laboratory.

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