Update on strike action this week

Wednesday 23 November 2022

Dear students,

I'm writing to update you on the planned University & College Union (UCU) industrial action, which consists of:

- Strikes on Thursday 24, Friday 25 and Wednesday 30 November
- Action Short of Strike (ASOS) for an indefinite period, from Wednesday 23 November.

We appreciate this might be concerning for you, so I want to reassure you that the University is committed to minimising any potential impact on your studies.

Information and FAQs on the strikes and our response to them are on <u>Essentials</u>. Keep reading for key advice and details about the additional support we are providing during this period.

Attend all classes unless you are advised otherwise. Not all members of staff will participate in the industrial action and some might only participate on one or two dates. This means many classes will go ahead as planned. If you arrive for a class and the member of staff is not present, you should wait for 10 minutes before assuming the class is cancelled. Please report instances of cancelled teaching to us using our <u>online form</u>, so we can keep a record and best support you and your peers.

Submit work by relevant deadlines as planned. You should continue to submit your work by specified deadlines in the normal way. It's possible the industrial action may delay the return of some of your work, but we'll do our best to keep you updated if that's the case.

Tell us about any negative impact. Reporting processes have been put in place to allow you to tell us if you feel you have been negatively impacted in an assessment, had teaching sessions cancelled or incurred unnecessary travel expenses. See the forms on <u>Essentials</u> to report any of this to the University.

We will continue to assess any impacts the industrial action has and will keep you updated on plans to make up for any missed learning. This may include rescheduling, combining missed classes with other classes, or providing additional materials for you to review independently.

We anticipate that Support Centres, Henley School Office, the Library, cafes and other campus facilities will remain open as normal throughout the period of industrial action. if you have any questions, please contact your Academic Tutor or one of the Support Centres. Best wishes,

Professor Peter Miskell Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Education & Student Experience)