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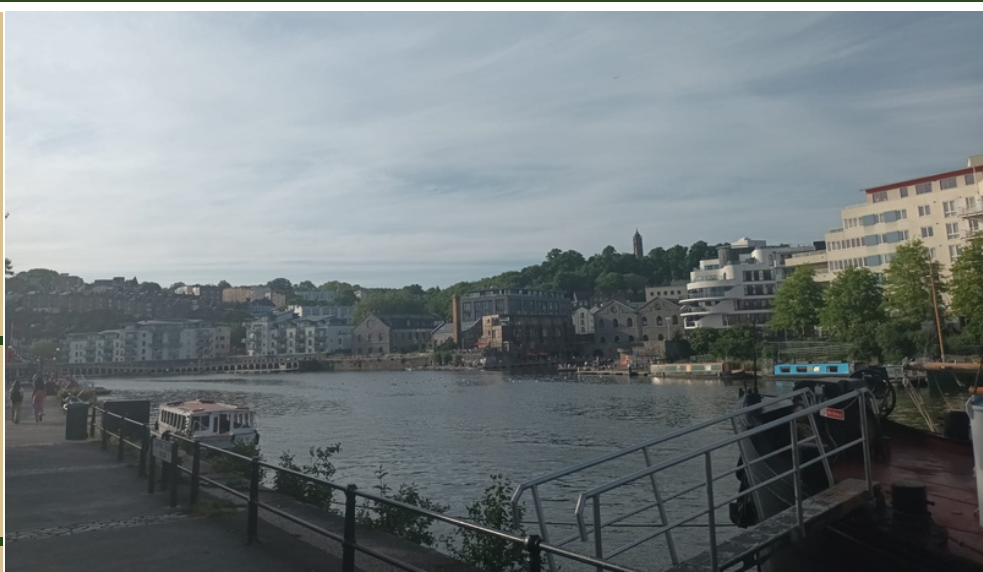
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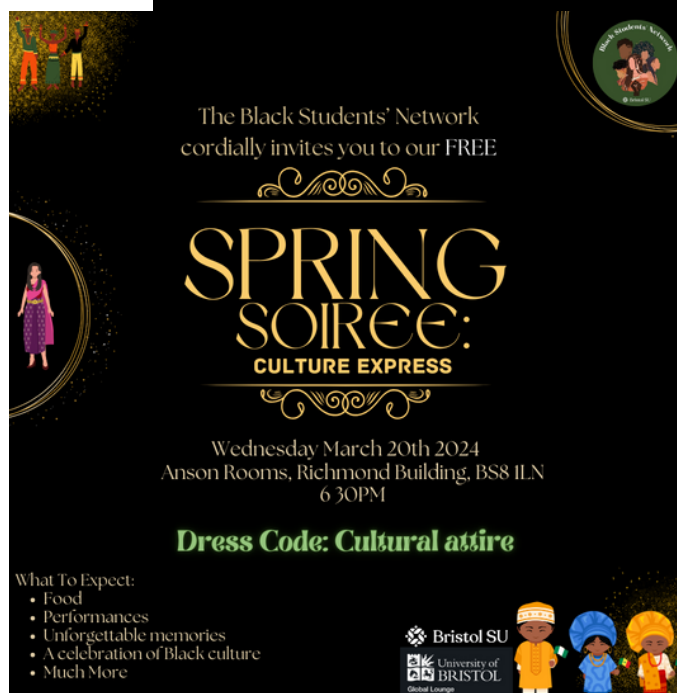
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## FEBRUARY FAREWELL: DIVERSE VICTORIES AT OUR UNIVERSITY

As February draws to a close, it's time to reflect on the myriad of achievements and initiatives that have contributed to the vibrant tapestry of our university community. From engaging in thought-provoking discussions on pressing societal issues to embarking on collaborative projects aimed at driving positive change, each endeavour has played a vital role in fostering an environment of inclusivity and equity. As we transition into March, let's carry forward the spirit of camaraderie and mutual respect that defines our community, renewing our commitment to creating a welcoming space where every individual feels valued and empowered to contribute their unique perspectives. Together, let's continue our journey towards building a university that not only embraces but celebrates the rich diversity that enriches our collective experience. Additionally, look forward to upcoming events that will further promote dialogue, understanding, and unity within our university community.



# BSN SPRING SOIREE 2024



The Black Students' Network cordially invites you to our FREE

## SPRING SOIREE: CULTURE EXPRESS

Wednesday March 20th 2024  
Anson Rooms, Richmond Building, BS8 1LN  
6:30PM

**Dress Code: Cultural attire**

What To Expect:

- Food
- Performances
- Unforgettable memories
- A celebration of Black culture
- Much More

Bristol SU  
University of BRISTOL  
Global Lounge

## BSN SPRING SOIREE 2024

The Black Students' Network (in collaboration with the global lounge) is turning it up with the most sick celebration of black culture the university of Bristol has ever witnessed! We are talking about our "Spring Soiree." Be prepared for a night of unparalleled excitement, featuring jaw-dropping performances, pulsating music, delectable food, and a lineup of surprises, (including a dance battle!) that will make the night even better.

That's not it though – the dress code will allow you to feel in touch with your motherland! Go through your wardrobe and pull out your cultural/native wear, this is your golden opportunity to showcase the traditions of your roots. Although cultural wear is strongly encouraged, formal wear would also be acceptable.

**20th March 2024  
6:30PM**

**Anson Rooms, Richmond  
Building, BS8 1LN**

***Tickets will be released soon***

## BSN DESIGN COMPETITION

*As part of the 'Spring Soiree'*

Behold our spring soiree design competition. Creativity meets culture! We're inviting black students at UOB to showcase their heritage through design. Create a piece that celebrates your unique black identity, weaving personal narratives into cultural symbols. Your design should resonate with the richness of black heritage, reflecting traditions, struggles, triumphs, and aspirations. Whether it's through art, fashion, or décor, let your creativity shine as you craft a visual ode to your roots. Winners will have their designs featured prominently at our Spring soiree in March.



### Decoration Design Competition

BSN Poster theme: Black culture

#### Competition Rules

1. The design should express black culture
2. Winners will be decided both by committee and network members
3. Posters must be submitted by March 5th.
4. Either email or instagram DM us your submission(s) with the title "Spring soiree decoration"
5. After voting, the winners will be showcased at the soiree
6. An individual is allowed up to 3 submissions
7. No flags in your designs

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# **BSN ENCOURAGES**

## **BRISTOL INSTITUTE FOR LEARNING - SWAY HALFWAY COURSES**

Discover the BILT faculty-based, half-hour workshop courses, created using Microsoft Sway. Gain insights into the innovative strategies employed across each of the academic disciplines to create a curriculum that reflects the diversity in each student experience. Each presentation provides inclusive resources that tackle the legacies of colonialism on the curriculum and explore how it can be effectively dismantled.

# BILT

Bristol Institute for Learning and Teaching



## **BRISTOL HUB: ACCESS & INCLUSION**



Bristol hub is conducting research to better understand the motivations and barriers to volunteering during university. We are dedicated to creating an inclusive environment and your input will support us in identifying barriers and develop better practices for our volunteering programmes

Fill out the questionnaire here:  
[Volunteering Access & Inclusion -  
Bristol hub](#)

## **BLACK HERITAGE INTO BUSINESS STRATEGY WEEK**

Join our Insight Week to experience working in our Commercial summer internship, including identifying new market opportunities, product development, and pricing strategies. Connect with Sky employees, from graduates to senior managers, to expand your network and learn from their university-to-work experiences. Engage in skills sessions tailored to enhance your job application, online assessments, and industry knowledge. Don't miss this unforgettable event that will leave you inspired and prepared for the future. Register now to secure your spot and kickstart your journey to success.



# INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2024



To celebrate International Women's Day, we will be hosting a girls slumber party on March 6th in Wills Memorial building, room 1.5. There will be games, free food and great vibes! 🥳

You are also encouraged to come in your comfy clothes so you are truly able to relax and enjoy the fun of the night.

**Tickets out now!!!**

**We cannot wait to see you there!**  
#internationalwomensday  
#girlsnight #bristolbsn

[Click to book your ticket](#)

**6th March 2024  
6:15PM**

**Wills Memorial Building  
Room 1.5**

As we celebrate International Women's Day, we want to take a moment to honor and uplift the unique experiences, contributions, and resilience of women of colour around the world. Your strength, courage, and unwavering determination inspire us all.

Today, we recognize the intersectional challenges you face and the barriers you continue to break down. Your voices, stories, and achievements are integral to shaping a more inclusive and equitable future for all.

On this day, let us reaffirm our commitment to everywhere, amplifying your voices, and advocating for your rights. Together, we can create a world where every woman, regardless of race or background, can thrive and succeed.

**Happy International Women's Day!  
From BSN Committee**



## SEO LONDON CAREERS

Run a range of programmes with companies in different industries, for first year undergraduates e.g. City Solicitors Horizons programme.

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## RARE RECRUITMENT

Partner with firms in the law and consulting fields, to place Black and minority ethnic students into entry level roles

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DIVERSITY  
RECRUITMENT  
EXCELLENCE

## BLACK YOUTH PROFESSIONALS [BYP]

A mentoring platform that connects Black professionals with personalised career opportunities.

**[BYP]**  
NETWORK



# 'WE DID SOMETHING TODAY' - THE DECOL DEBATE

## FOR YOUR CALENDAR

**Black Talent in Banking  
Bright Network**  
4th March, 2024: 11AM  
Banking Hall, London,  
EC3V 3ND

**'Connection'  
TEDxUniversityofBristol**  
16th March 2024  
5:30PM - 10:30PM  
Dareshack, Bristol,  
BS1 2BD

**Diversity, Equity,  
inclusion & Belonging  
Bright Network**  
18th March 2024:  
10:30AM  
Bishopsgate, London  
EC2M 3YD

**Decolonisation Panel  
Discussion**  
Equity, Diversity &  
Inclusion  
Bristol Law School  
6th March 2024:  
1PM- 3PM

**SME Internship  
Scheme - Wildscreen  
Researcher**  
Have to be a registered  
student or alumni  
(15months)  
Application Deadline:  
7th March 2024

**Black Bristol PGCE  
scholarships**  
Have to be a Black  
Home student  
Application Deadline:  
17th March 2024

**Future Black Leaders  
Programme**  
**McKinsey & Company**  
First & Second Year  
students  
Application Deadline:  
21st April 2024



## **'A DEBATE THAT DEEPENED THE NARRATIVE' A MESSAGE FROM YOUR 23/24 DECOLONISATION OFFICER**

The network extends it's heartfelt appreciation to all who actively participated in the recent Decolonisation Debate. Your contributions have sparked important discussions and deepened our understanding of critical issues surrounding decolonisation. Throughout the debate, insightful perspectives were shared on topics including positive action, colonial symbols, distributive justice, and economic empowerment.

These discussions have illuminated the complexities of decolonial principles and underscored the importance of ongoing dialogue and action. We would like to offer a special acknowledgment to our esteemed debaters, panelists, and attendees for their dedication to this important conversation. Your engagement has been instrumental in shaping our collective understanding and commitment to decolonisation.

As your decolonisation officer, I'm excited to announce the upcoming release of the 'Decolonising the Curriculum' report in May 2024, which will outline our contributions to the campaign this year, and provide actionable recommendations for advancing decolonial practices within the university. Your commitment to decolonisation is shaping a more just and equitable future for all.

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Have any thoughts on decol?  
Want to contribute to the campaign?

