

## Alumni News

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Next week marks the start of a new academic year at UCL; one that will look different from any other. Our staff are adopting a new, "connected" teaching approach, developed by the world-leading UCL Institute of Education, and we have introduced a number of measures to [keep our community safe and secure](#), as well as offering [free COVID-19 testing](#) for staff and students.

Last month was extremely challenging for students receiving A-level exam results. We were delighted when the UK Government reversed its decision to determine results using the Ofqual algorithm. UCL has [offered places to all students](#) who met their original offer, including [Medicine students](#).

In the Alumni Office, we've been working towards one of our annual highlights - *Portico* magazine. We are so excited to share the upcoming edition with you, which is packed with stories that illustrate the resilience, creativity and brilliance of UCL's people. I am certain there is something for everyone to enjoy, so look out for your invitation to explore our fantastic new online version in the coming weeks.



Best wishes,

**Annie Thompson**  
 Deputy Director of Alumni Relations (interim)

## UCL news



### Leading the way in research

New world rankings have reaffirmed UCL's position as one of the top research institutions globally.

[Read the full story >>](#)

### Breast cancer treatment breakthrough

UCL clinicians have developed a pioneering, effective breast cancer treatment requiring only a single shot of radiotherapy.

[Read the full story >>](#)



## UCL on demand



### We are UCLMS: a virtual exhibition

A new portrait collection showcases stories from some of the most dynamic and inspiring members of the UCL Medical School community.

[Explore the gallery >>](#)



### Sarah Parker Remond Podcast Series

Leading academics, activists, and cultural practitioners have partnered with UCL to explore racism and its impact on a range of issues in society, from healthcare to poetry.

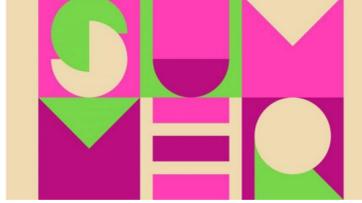
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### How do we safely return to university?

Professor Geraint Rees (Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences), Professor Norbert Pachler (Pro-Vice-Provost, Digital Education), and Carol Paige (Democracy, Operations and Community Officer, UCL Students' Union) outline what autumn will look like at UCL.

[Listen online >>](#)



### The Bartlett Summer Show 2020

The Bartlett have launched their first ever online Summer Show, celebrating the ambitious and creative work of architecture students at UCL.

[Visit the show online >>](#)

## Globally United

### Cedric in Hong Kong: "don't hesitate to reach out"

Through our [Globally United video series](#), UCL alumni share advice from their experiences of life since the COVID-19 outbreak.

In this edition, Cedric recommends seeking a "fresh perspective" from someone to help handle uncertainty arising from the pandemic. Talking to others, especially those in the "UCL family" who are willing to share their thoughts, has been enriching.

Cedric is currently balancing full time work with studying part-time for an MBA at HKUST, one of UCL's partner institutions.

If you'd like to share ideas and resources with the UCL community by submitting your own Globally United video, please contact [alumni@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:alumni@ucl.ac.uk)



## Alumni news and opportunities



### Volume: A new volunteering email

Whether you're new to volunteering with UCL or looking for more ways to get involved, be the first to know about alumni volunteering opportunities and community news via our new monthly mailing, Volume.

[Subscribe to Volume >>](#)



### Changing the world with Max Bittner

As the CEO of Vestiaire Collective and founder of Southeast Asian e-commerce giant Lazada, German alumnus Max Bittner has changed the business world. Now he's supporting UCL to change the world.

[Read Max's story >>](#)



### StudyUK Awards 2020: Apply now!

Are you leading the way in your field internationally? If you graduated within the last 15 years, why not celebrate your achievements and apply to the British Council's StudyUK Awards? Applications close 30 October.

[Apply here >>](#)



### Share your skills as an alumni mentor

Could you support students looking to begin their career journeys? Mentoring is a rewarding and flexible way to share your professional expertise and make a difference. Explore our new opportunities.

[Find out more and apply >>](#)



### NHS Test and Trace laboratories roles

UCL people have been on the frontline throughout the pandemic. Could you support the National Testing Programme expansion? Vacancies range from broad, junior roles to specialist, senior positions.

[Apply here >>](#)



### UCL Connect: In Conversation with... Dr. Anjhula Mya Singh Bais

United video participant, Dr. Bais, as she shares her career story and insights as a leading psych trauma specialist, and the first person from Malaysia to become a Director of Amnesty International.

**Free virtual event: 12:30-1:30pm (GMT) 27 October. [Read more >>](#)**

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