



## STUDENT UNION

### Introducing your new Student Union President and Vice President!

Your Student Union President and Student Governor for 2020/21 is LEO FOX! He is a Film & TV Production Level 3 student and cannot wait to get the show on the road as the new voice of the student body. Artistic Leo is keen to “enhance the College experience for students whilst also maintaining a high quality of life here” and is “looking forward to taking everyone’s suggestions on board”.

IT Level 3 student ALEX PARKER is your SU Vice President! After a gap year spent running her own custom t-shirt business, Alex is bringing her entrepreneurial skills to the role. “I love hearing other people’s opinions and I’m looking forward to making a difference!”

#### YOUR VOICE MATTERS!

If you have a suggestion, question or want to know more about the Student Union, please email Leo and Alex at [studentunion@esc.ac.uk](mailto:studentunion@esc.ac.uk).

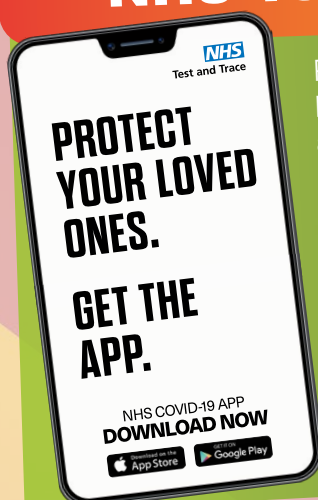


**Leo Fox**  
Student Union  
President  
(Student Governor)



**Alex Parker**  
Student Union  
Vice-President

## NHS Test & Trace App



Protect your loved ones with the official NHS COVID-19 Contact Tracing App available to download from the App Store or Google Play. It's the fastest way of knowing when you're at risk from coronavirus (COVID-19). The quicker you know, the quicker you can alert your loved ones and your community. And remember, if you have symptoms or test positive, please do not come in to College and use eNotify to report your absence and reason.

## REMINDER: COVID-19 SAFETY



It's really important that students, staff and visitors remember to wear a face covering in all communal areas around College as well as when travelling on public transport (unless exempt due to health reasons). Face coverings reduce the spread of coronavirus droplets from coughs, sneezes and speaking, alongside regular hand washing and social distancing.

## GCSE English success for Amran

Congratulations to former Student Union President and Student Governor, Amran, who passed her English GCSE this summer! She said, “I cannot express enough how pleased I am with the English staff, they are kind, generous and strict where needed. In addition, all the lessons were always uplifting, delightful as well as educational. ESC is a College to be proud of and I am fortunate to have been a part of it.” Over the last four years Amran has been a vital part of the student body, taking part in College Council and Governor meetings and helping out at events, so we'd like to wish her farewell and all the best for the future!





## ACTIVITY PROGRAMME

AUTUMN TERM

Looking to get fit, join a team or learn some valuable self defence techniques? Check out the autumn term Activity Programme at: [www.esc.ac.uk/Enrichment](http://www.esc.ac.uk/Enrichment) to see what's on offer including table tennis, badminton, gym and fitness sessions. If you fancy trying something different there's also cooking, creative arts as well as the LGBTQ+ Society!

To book a session, or to find out how these sessions are delivered in line with Government COVID-19 safety guidelines, pop into the Activity Hub (D115) to speak with Harvey Kellard or email: [enrichment@esc.ac.uk](mailto:enrichment@esc.ac.uk).



## Is there a budding artist in your family?

### Saturday Arts Academies

at ESC are an excellent opportunity for 11-14 year olds to improve their creative skills and increase their self-confidence.

With a choice of Art & Design or Creative Media, these 8 week courses start in January and April.

To find out more visit: [www.esc.ac.uk/Reigate-School-of-Art-Courses](http://www.esc.ac.uk/Reigate-School-of-Art-Courses)



## Wakehurst Glow Wild project

Reigate School of Art students have been creating sculptures for the Glow Wild Winter Lantern Trail at Kew Wakehurst, working again with the art charity Same Sky. John from Same Sky led a presentation, showcasing some of the art charity's projects. He demonstrated how to create the sculptures out of willow sticks and showed a few examples of soundscapes that music students will have the opportunity to create.

The students immediately got started, and have been using ESC's spacious Winter Garden area as their shared studio! Read the full story at [www.esc.ac.uk/news/rsa-wakehurst-project](http://www.esc.ac.uk/news/rsa-wakehurst-project)



## NEW TOOLS DONATED BY SKS TOOLS

The Motor Vehicle department were pleased to receive a surprise gift in September from SKS Tools, based in Smallfield.

The company kindly donated a variety of hand tools and cleaning equipment which will be put to good use by the ESC Motorsports students! George Keith, Curriculum Coordinator Motor Vehicle commented: "Donations like this always receive a warm welcome at the College as it supports the development of students and promotes their aspirations to achieve."



## Virtual Visit by Former Film & TV student

Reigate School of Art former student Zoe (Film & TV Level 3), gave a virtual talk to current year 2 Film & TV students about preparing for life after East Surrey College. Currently studying at Screen and Film School in Brighton, Zoe discussed her academic journey and the struggles she faced whilst preparing during lockdown. She listed the different academic options available after Reigate School of Art and the application process via UCAS. She advised students that it's better to be over prepared, to keep their options open and the importance of gaining a wide range of project experience, "because you never know what it can lead to in the future".

## Ethical Issues in fashion

Designer and entrepreneur, Theresa Bastrup Hasman shared her stories and passion for the fashion industry with Reigate School of Art students in October. As an advocate for sustainable and ethical fashion, Theresa explained how she considers the environment and ethical production in her business! She's worked around the world, from Denmark to Nepal to New York, where she's currently based. Students have taken on board what they have learnt on this virtual employer talk and are applying the principles whilst working on their sustainable fashion projects.

## LAUNCHING SOON! UNIVERSITY LEVEL COURSES 2021/22

If you are looking to start your UCAS application, it's not too early to plan your next step! Watch out for the new University Level Course Guide to discover the choice of progression options here at East Surrey College. Benefit from low tuition fees, small class sizes and flexible entry requirements when you choose to study locally. We offer a range of university level qualifications including HNCs, HNDs, Degrees, Foundation Degrees, Professional qualifications as well as Higher and Degree Apprenticeships. Subject areas offering university level courses include:

- Art, Design & Media
- Business & IT
- Construction
- Early Years
- Engineering
- Sport

Check out the full range of university level courses at: [www.esc.ac.uk/course-listing](http://www.esc.ac.uk/course-listing)



## UNIVERSITY OF CHICHESTER RANKED 29<sup>TH</sup> BY GUARDIAN UNIVERSITY GUIDE 2021



We would like to share a massive congratulations to our Academic Partner the University of Chichester, which has recently been ranked in the top 30 higher education institutions in the Guardian University Guide 2021! National rankings produced by the Guardian placed Chichester at 29th place out of 121 others, rising by 44 places on last year's ranking. This is based on its high student-satisfaction rates and graduate prospects, alongside a range of other achievements. In addition to this high accolade, many of their courses were also ranked among the country's best. This includes their Art degrees, which were named in the UK's top ten. Alongside this, they have also placed highly in The Times and Sunday Times tables, ranked 46 out of 135 other institutions!

We are very proud to be working with the University of Chichester, offering the following university level courses awarded by the University: Photography BA (Hons) Top-Up; Sound & Music Production Foundation Degree; Management Foundation Degree; Early Years Foundation Degree; Internet Software Development Foundation Degree in Science; and Make-Up, Special Effects & Hair for Media & Performance BA (Hons) Top-Up.

## Celebrating Black History Month

This October, Black History Month celebrated the contributions that people of African and Caribbean backgrounds have made to the UK over many generations. Make sure you check out the display in the LRC which has a range of informative non-fiction and literary works written by cultural icons.

For more information visit: [www.blackhistorymonth.org.uk](http://www.blackhistorymonth.org.uk)

## Childcare students organise food bank collection

A huge thank you to our Level 1 and 2 Childcare students who are collecting food for a local food bank at St Matthew's Church. The collection for the food bank items is running from **02 November to 14 December 2020**. If you have any donations, please drop them off to the Caring Services office (D108) or contact Childcare lecturer Zoe at [zreed@esc.ac.uk](mailto:zreed@esc.ac.uk).

You can view the list of items needed at [www.redhillfoodbank.org.uk/shopping-list](http://www.redhillfoodbank.org.uk/shopping-list)




## Virtual Job Fair

The Virtual Job Fair this term was a huge success and a great opportunity for students to hear from a wide range of employers who hosted a range of sessions on recruitment processes, CVs, interviews, preparing for job applications, career opportunities and much more. A big thank you to all the businesses that joined us! Surrey Police, MET Police, Sir Robert McAlpine, ISG, DPR Motorsport, Pathway, Airborn, Glencar and Berkeley.





Join us online to be the first to hear about student news and events!  
We post everything from student stories and work to important ESC updates.

 Facebook: /EastSurreyCollege

 Twitter: @EastSurreyColl

 LinkedIn: East Surrey College

 Instagram: @eastsurreycollege

## Abbie and Jonah - off to a flying start!

We always love a student success story! Abbie and Jonah both studying Carpentry & Joinery Level 1 have already achieved Distinctions in their assessed work since the start of their course! They're currently working on joints with former Reigate School student Abbie commenting "the machinery and tools are fantastic and there are so many resources for us".

Former Riddlesdown Collegiate student, Jonah added "the tutors are great - we get all the support we need".

We look forward to catching up with them later in the year!

## Engineering Apprentice shortlisted for BAME Apprenticeship Awards

Congratulations to our past student, Engineering Apprentice, Faiszarn, who was shortlisted in his subject for the BAME (Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic) Apprenticeship Awards in August. The Awards celebrate talent and diversity among British BAME Apprentices, their employers and learning providers. Faiszarn credits his East Surrey College Apprenticeship at University College London with "allowing me to thrive and excel at an outstanding rate". We wish Faiszarn all the best for the Awards!



## PART-TIME COURSES

Do you or someone you know want to learn a new skill or gain a qualification? Check out our wide range of short courses for adults (19+) running throughout the year – it's really easy to sign up! There's something new each term so why not start the new year with a new skill or hobby?

It's not too late to sign up for classes starting in November including: Christmas Workshops, Drawing & Painting, Printmaking, Upholstery, Computing & IT, AAT Bookkeeping and Cooking.

A part-time course is an excellent opportunity to develop your skills, improve your employability or just get out and try something new!



To view the full range of part-time courses visit:  
[www.esc.ac.uk](http://www.esc.ac.uk)



## VIRTUAL OPEN EVENT

**Saturday 14 November**  
**10:00 – 14:00**

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, our next open event will be virtual.

Join us for a range of live talks, curriculum presentations, bookable 1:1 sessions with curriculum and support teams and 360° videos of the College facilities.

Stay up-to-date with the latest event details by pre-registering at [www.esc.ac.uk/events](http://www.esc.ac.uk/events)



## Get in touch

Whether you want to shout about your course, have completed a great work placement, or want to share some competition success, we'd love to hear from you!

Email [marketing@esc.ac.uk](mailto:marketing@esc.ac.uk) or message us on social media to get your story featured on our social media pages.