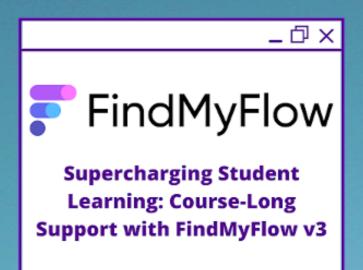
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Assistive Technology of the month



AT Fest 2024 (techedology.com)

Find My Flow

SUPERCHARGING STUDENT LEARNING: COURSE-LONG SUPPORT WITH FINDMYFLOW V3

Learn how FindMyFlow empowers students to put their recommended AT into action and tackle any study task with confidence – wherever and however late they get started!

Tailored learning paths, bite-sized tutorials, and reflective practice guide students along a personalised journey at their own pace. With expert wellbeing strategies from Calm, and collaborative tutoring features, FindMyFlow offers course-long support that helps students to learn, reflect, grow - and find their flow!

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Did you know?

Disabled Students Allowance (DSA)

The Disabled Students Allowance (DSA) is a supplementary allowance for UK domiciled students to cover any extra costs or expenses incurred while studying, arising because of a disability. Costs covered can include items such as laptops and printers, assistive technology and Non-Medical Personal Help (NMPH) such as Study Skills Support or Mental Health Mentoring.

Do I Qualify?

If you are HNC or above you may be eligible – however, exclusions may apply. Students who are studying both full time or part time may be eligible, for further information please contact the Additional Support Service.

When do I apply?

Applications for the upcoming academic year will begin in May for DSA, closing date for applications is March 31st. New and continuing students will need to reapply for DSA each academic year, it is best to do this as soon as possible once applications open.

For further information on DSA, a video can be found at the following link to provide an overview of what is available and who can be supported.

What is the Disabled Students' Allowance? - YouTube

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At UHI Perth, we want to better understand how you make use of the various physical spaces and buildings on our campus. Your input is therefore crucial to help us understand what works, what doesn't work and what could be better.

This survey will only take an average of 5 minutes to complete and your input will help us to plan improvements that will help with your studies.



'make sure you have your input by end of play Friday 15 March

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Watch out for Aprils newsletter where we will be looking at putting in links to the pages that students Should be interested in with some great Videos.



COUNSELLING INFORMATION SESSIONS

If you're not quite sure what counselling is or how it can help. but you feel like you would like to talk to someone. then why not book into one of our counselling information sessions and meet with a counsellor.

Sessions with Annie Garrigan 11am or 11:30am Tuesdays

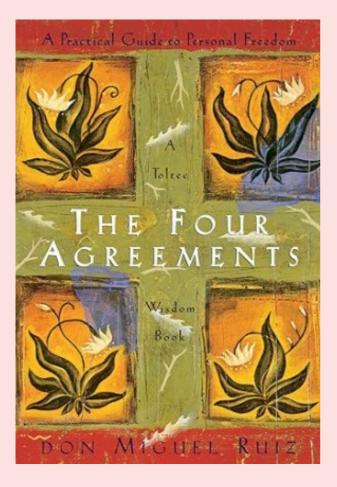




Sessions with Claire Nelson 11am or 11:30am Thursdays Alternatively. email counselling@uhi.ac.uk to request a slot.

Our Counsellors Recommend...

BOOK RECOMMENDATION



In The Four Agreements, bestselling author don Miguel Ruiz reveals the source of selflimiting beliefs that rob us of joy and create needless suffering. Based on ancient Toltec wisdom, The Four Agreements offer a powerful code of conduct that can rapidly transform our lives to a new experience of freedom, true happiness, and love.

1.Be Impeccable With Your Word2.Don't Take Anything Personally3.Don't Make Assumptions4.Always Do Your Best

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Did you know?

That between 26th February – 3rd March was Eating Disorders Awareness week.

Eating Disorders Awareness Week is a week-long campaign that aims to shed light on the complexities of eating disorders, including anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, binge-eating disorder, and others. The event emphasizes the importance of early intervention, access to treatment, and reducing the stigma associated with eating disorders. It provides a platform for individuals to share their stories, raise awareness, and offer support to those in need.

It's important to remember that eating disorders are not all about food itself, but about feelings. The way the person interacts with food may make them feel more able to cope, or may make them feel in control.

- Approximately 1.25 Million people in the UK have an eating disorder*
 Around 25% of those are male*
 - Recent research from the NHS information centre showed that up to 6.4% of adults displayed signs of an eating disorder

To find out more you can visit the **<u>Beat</u>** eating disorders <u>website</u>





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VoiceAbility

Support to access benefits if you are disabled

If you identify as disabled and want support to access benefits from Social Security Scotland, we're here to make sure you're heard

Freephone: **0300 303 1660** Website: **voiceability.org** Email: **helpline@voiceability.org**

Sessions in Interview room 2 – Brahan building Wednesday from 9am-12pm starting on the 21/02/24 running every week

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Jacqueline Mason Advocate Mob : 07918560891 email : jacqueline.ma



EVERY TUESDAY @ STUDENT SUPPORT HUB, BRAHAN BUILDING, UHI PERTH 12NOON - 2PM

No appointment required Find out what we do - Meet a support Worker Get added to our Support Waiting List, if you decide support is for you We Listen, Believe, Support



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ALL STUDENTS WELCOME! A SAFE SPACE TO HAVE FRIENDLY DISCUSSIONS AND ACTIVITIES

LGBTQ+ & ALLIES

GROUP

EVERY WEDNESDAY 2-4PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT APRYLL.CUNNINGHAM.PERTH@UHI.AC.UK OR FIONA.SMITH@UHI.AC.UK



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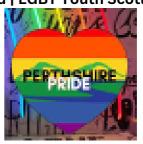
Did you know there are a variety of free condoms available to collect from the Student Support Hub in the Brahan Building? We know asking for such things can be... well, embarrassing... however, these are here for you to collect as and when you like without having to ask. We have paper purple bags to the side you can use to store them, along with information leaflets on how to use a condom, pregnancy, STI's and other forms of contraception.

Did you know? Student Services can provide Foodbank vouchers? As we are coming through the COVID-19 pandemic and the cost-of-living crisis is affecting us all, we know times are tough. Along with the fantastic 'Big Project' where you can collect food items, clothes, and toiletries, we can also provide these vouchers to you should you require them. For more information, please feel free to contact us at wellbeingandsupport.perth@uhi.ac.uk



• 'Tea N Biscuits' youth group for trans, including non-binary, young people aged 13-25 in Tayside. It is an online group in Dundee and Perth every Monday from 6-8pm which you can sign up for or find out more here: Tea n Biscuits | LGBT Youth Scotland | LGBT Youth Scotland

• <u>'GLOW'</u> is a youth group for 13–25-year-olds, which runs every Tuesday from 6-8pm in the Health & Wellbeing Space in the AK Bell Library. Sign up or find out more information here: Glow | LGBT Youth Scotland | LGBT Youth Scotland



•<u>Pink Saltire</u>: an LGBT+ charity who run a variety of projects across Scotland, including Perth & Kinross Hub research, COVID Relief Support and Rainbow Responders: PINK SALTIRE – Your Community Voice

• LGBTQ+ Social Photography – group that go on outings, adventures and meet-ups to share their love for photography which whichever camera you have to hand: <u>PoPaB LGBTQ+ Social Photography -</u> <u>Perth & Kinross | Facebook</u>



• Perth LGBT+ and Friends: Perth LGBT+ Friends -Perth, Scotland | Facebook

• Perth's Transgender and Intersex Group: Transgender Perth, Scotland | Facebook • Scottish Bi+ Network: Support – Scottish Bi+ Network

• Perth Parrots – Perth's LGBT+ Football Team: Perth <u>Parrots Floorball Club | Facebook</u>

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Where

wellbeing works.

Out of hour support

We know from time to time our students may require out-of-hours support when our campus is closed, and would like to remind everyone of our free online external services that students



Spectrum Life

<u>Spectrum Life</u> offer 24/7 out of hours mental health support. All calls are answered by clinically trained counsellors or psychotherapists.

Finally, we have a dedicated space on the UHI <u>website</u> with a wide range of information, guidance, and resources for students to help them with their physical wellbeing and mental health.

Suicide Prevention is Everybody's Business Visit the website or download for free from your app store

