



Top quality at Chelsea!

Two more reports confirming the high quality of Chelsea degrees arrived in June 2008. The official government Office for Standards in Education (Ofsted) confirmed the University of Brighton as the first university in the country to achieve an "outstanding" rating for management and quality assurance across the full range of primary, secondary and post-compulsory (16+) teacher education courses. The Chelsea PE and PGCE degrees were part of this inspection. The Dean of the Faculty of Education and Sport, Paul Griffiths, said: "It is down to the expertise, commitment and professionalism of staff and students that these results have been achieved."



The authoritative *Times* newspaper university league tables place the Brighton sports courses at number 10 in a table of 80 universities. This is the highest sports placing in the South East, ahead of all universities in London, Essex, Kent, West Sussex, Hampshire, Surrey and Hertfordshire. These measures of quality add to our existing successes such as excellent National Student Survey (NSS) scores and accreditation by the National Council for the Training of Journalists.

First Chelsea sport movement film festival

The Chelsea Film Festival is dedicated to screening films that explore the social, political and aesthetic dimensions of sport and the moving body. *England For All* included Billy Bragg and Ray Winstone, along with thousands of England fans who joined in Germany's World Cup party. *Inside the Kalari*, directed by Chelsea lecturer Ian McDonald, presented a lyrical and atmospheric portrayal of *kalarippayattu*, a martial art indigenous to the southern Indian state of Kerala. *Brighton Bandits*, also directed by Ian McDonald, is the first in-depth documentary about a gay football team. *Brighton Bandits* not only captures the passion for football in the gay community but also allows the players to emerge as people with bold and poignant



A scene from *Inside the Kalari*

stories to tell. *Sport, Sport, Sport!* featured a rare showing of the 1970 documentary by the acclaimed director, Elem Klimov, tracing the history of Soviet sport development, and the relations between sport, politics, art and morals.

Jennings goes to college

In April the Chelsea School welcomed Andrew Jennings, investigative reporter, best-selling author, *Panorama* regular and 2006-07 Football Writer of the Year, to open the campus' second fully-functioning newsroom, deliver the university's 2008 Annual Sports Journalism Lecture, and the inaugural lecture for our *Fuelling the Flame* Olympic series.

Jennings, who has been barred from FIFA press conferences for the last five years on the back of his book *Foull!*, has carried out numerous investigations into what he calls the hidden differences in organisations such as the aforementioned world football governing body as well as the International Olympic Committee and the Football Association in England. "Too many sports reporters in this country appear desperate not to offend the people in power," Jennings said. "Why? Because these same people are their sources, leaking information about themselves. So we have the majority of these journalists reporting primarily to please their contacts, not their readers, viewers or listeners."

Jim Lucas

From placement to events officer for graduate

Stephanie Mizon, who has recently graduated from the Sport and Leisure Management degree (see her article in the March newsletter), has recently been appointed Events Officer at the Sussex County Sports Partnership Trust (SCSPT). Stephanie recently undertook a work placement at the SCSPT. She obviously impressed them! Congratulations Stephanie.

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Claviere 2008



There was a real buzz of excitement as we gathered for the coach and the short journey to Gatwick seemed to fly by. After checking in, most of us went for lunch where all good prospective PE teachers go - McDonalds! After a short flight and coach transfer, we arrived at the Hotel Roma, Claviere. Then off to bed, eagerly anticipating the slopes we would be hitting the next day.

For six days we had lessons in the morning then free skiing until later afternoon. A real bond developed throughout the group, shown mostly by the number of advanced skiers who spent their free ski time helping beginners progress. I didn't hear a single bad word said about any of the ski school instructors and I can safely say I have never had an instructor as good as Marco. Every evening there was a different social event including karaoke, live band, quiz and a fancy dress disco on the last night. The events were very well organised and it was great to socialise with other students and the tutors as we got to see each other in a different context.

Overall it was an incredible week and I got to know people I hadn't spoken to before. The skiing was great and a real bond has formed amongst the group since our return. Every student also received a Snowsport Course Organiser (SCO) award. This now means we can all organise ski trips when we qualify, and get a job. I can honestly say this was the best trip of my life and I encourage all future students, if given the chance, to definitely go.

Sam Walters

Run for Inspiration

Starting out from Brighton pier on 17th June a group of 16 University of Brighton students and six staff began a gruelling fund-raising event by running a relay from Brighton to Leeds, a total of 28 half-marathon legs in five days. The event was planned following an invitation by Mike Tomlinson to run the Leeds 10K on the 22nd June. Mike is husband of the truly inspirational Jane Tomlinson, who ran marathons and completed Ironman triathlons despite terminal illness. James Wallis, organiser and Chelsea School senior lecturer, said: "Simply running the 10K did not seem enough to honour the achievements of Jane and so the Run for Inspiration was born." The team ran between 66 and 84 miles each day carrying a baton containing messages in English, Arabic and Hebrew culminating in the Leeds 10K. The aim of the event was to raise funds and awareness of the Football 4 Peace project which takes place in Israel and uses football as a medium for the teaching of a series of key human values. Congratulations to the team! You can read more on Football 4 Peace by visiting the website at www.football4peace.org



The team with Mike Tomlinson after the challenge

No troughs, just Peaks

A group of staff and students have returned from completing the 3 Peaks National Challenge. The fastest individuals completed the epic hike in 22 hours and 23 minutes! All are now feeling battered, bruised and sore! The challenge involved ascending and descending the three highest peaks in Great Britain (Ben Nevis in Scotland, Scarfell Pike in England and Snowdon in Wales) within 24 hours. This included time travelling between each mountain. Those participating in the challenge all came from the new UBSU Chelsea Students' Society and participated to raise money for Football 4 Peace (F4P). At the same time, F4P teams in Israel and in Germany completed their own versions of the 3 Peaks challenge. Well done to the climbers of all three nations.

Graham Spacey

Chelsea School wish all students who have taken exams this summer good luck for results day. We are sure you will achieve the grades you need for your course. If you do not get the results you were expecting, you may still be offered a place so, before panicking, check by telephoning Chelsea School on 01273 643707

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Sport matters

The University of Brighton dominated Varsity Day against local rivals the University of Sussex. Brighton triumphed in 11 of the 13 disciplines to come away with a resounding victory. After narrowly beating Sussex 6-4 last year, Brighton were determined to make their win convincing this year. This they certainly did with wins in men's rugby, hockey, football, basketball, badminton and in women's rugby, hockey, football, netball, badminton. Brighton also won the ski and snowboard varsity fixtures.

Success for lacrosse

The men's lacrosse team have completed a clean sweep of league and cup competitions in their debut season, including a 13-7 league victory over London-based Spencer, a team loaded with regional and international players. They won the league with a staggering 140 goal difference. The men also won the England Minor Flags Cup, beating Portsmouth 10-2. Having beaten Oxford, UCL and Southampton in a sub-regional challenge, the Brighton mixed select side won the Imperial Cup in London. The mixed first XII are currently undefeated in league competition.

London Marathon

Talking lacrosse, three members of the team successfully completed the London Marathon this year, Sam Carter, James Oldham (Physical Education) and Dan Keeley (Sport and Leisure Management) ran to raise money for Disability Sports Events. Congratulations also to Sean Wozencroft (Sport Journalism).

Gymnastics

At the recent BUSA gymnastic championships two Chelsea students, Katie Khosla and Rosie Snee, won medals. Katie won gold for the beam and Rosie the silver.

Visit www.ubsu.net for the latest sport fixtures and results and to view 'The Pebble' the official newspaper of the University of Brighton Students' Union.



Torque talk

At the 2008 British Association of Sport and Exercise Sciences national student conference 2008 I presented my work on "A Case Study on Torque Production of a Paralympic Athlete". When I found out that I had been accepted to do an oral presentation the nerves set in, especially as the time got nearer. Without the support that I received from lecturers helping me to prepare and practise the presentation I would've been a nervous wreck on the day! When it came to my turn to present I knew the work inside out and was surprisingly calm and collected. My



Staff and students at the conference

lecturers had run through some example questions with me prior to the presentation, and so afterwards when it was open to the floor for questions I knew what kind of answers to give. I enjoyed the whole experience, despite the initial anxieties. The whole conference was enjoyable.

Hannah Gregson

Eastbourne Nightlife

You've come to the end of a long week at uni; so it's time to let your hair down after all your hard work. So what of 'The Bourne's' very own nightspots? There are two main choices on a Friday night, the Funktion rooms or Atlantis. Neither club is free to get in and drinks offers are limited because Fridays aren't classed as a proper student night as the locals tend to venture out. So a cheap night it isn't, but it's still cheaper than a Saturday! The Funktion rooms has been the most popular choice amongst students of late because it plays a wide variety of music; indie, dance, R&B, drum and bass, whereas Atlantis plays just dance and R&B. However, the drinks do tend to be a bit cheaper with many bottles priced around £1.75. Alternatively, for those partial to a bit of cheese and jiving to the Grease mega-mix, there is always Kings nightclub. As if the music wasn't tempting enough, they also have drink offers. Hmm...pretty tempting!

Gemma Nash

Find out more about the clubbing scene, shows and events in Eastbourne by visiting [eastmag at www.eastmagazine.co.uk](http://eastmag.at)

Before and after.....

The Careers Centre Job Workshop can help you find employment not only during your time as a student but also on completion of your course. The Student Employment Service connects students with part-time, temporary and vacation work opportunities during their studies. They also offer career interviews and advice for up to one year after graduation. For more information visit: www.brighton.ac.uk/careers

University term dates 2008-9

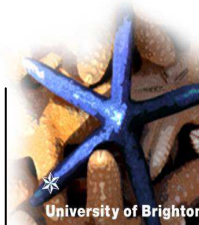
Autumn:
Sep 29 - Dec 12
Spring:
Jan 5 - March 27
Summer:
April 20 - June 12

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Meet the student ambassadors

Emily Gardner

I am currently in my second year of the Physical Education BA (Hons) with QTS.

I enjoy playing sport and have enjoyed the opportunities I have had to teach other students and pupils from local schools.

I chose to come to this university because of the fantastic facilities and the atmosphere around the campus. One of the highlights of the first year was the ski trip to Clavier in Italy. I enjoy living in Eastbourne and being by the sea is a real bonus.



Nick Teale

I am a first year student studying on the Sport Journalism degree. I am 19 years old and came to Eastbourne from Liverpool. I chose the course because it offers a degree in exactly what I want to do. It's good to think that when I leave the course I could be being paid to report on games I would have watched anyway. As well as being a Chelsea School student ambassador, I also work as a university ambassador doing school visits and UCAS tours.



Katie Khosla

I am currently in my third year studying Physical Education BA (Hons) with QTS. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at University with highlights including the year one ski trip and the year two Bude trip. Last year I started coaching and competing for the university gymnastics squad.

The team has had successes in the 2007 and 2008 BUSA championships (see **Sport matters** p3). I also play for the university netball team and enjoy most sports. Aside from sport I am also interested in travelling and hope to go round the world one day on completion of my course!



Meet the staff

Dr Gill Lines

I have been a member of staff at Chelsea School since 1996 and I am currently Deputy Head of School. I feel very much a part of the history of Chelsea having graduated initially from Chelsea College of Physical Education (as it was then) and returning part-time to take an M.A. in Physical Education. By the time I returned to a lecturing post I had been teaching in schools for 18 years. My PhD focused on the impact of media sport events on young people's engagement with sport and I am particularly interested in researching the ways young people talk about sport stars as heroes and role models. I enjoy meeting with students across all of the undergraduate courses as I teach a range of modules in the sport and leisure area as well as in physical education. I work closely with student representatives and student ambassadors listening to their views and concerns to bring about developments that will enhance the quality of students' experience. This term I was involved with the development of the first Eastbourne campus careers fair which had a particular emphasis on employment opportunities for graduates from sport and leisure related areas. I look forward to meeting you in September.



Marilyn Doust

I am the Student Support Tutor at Chelsea School. We believe in supporting all students to achieve their goals and make the most of their time at university. Primarily my role is to offer advice and support, drop-in or by appointment. Students will also be supported by their academic tutor. All new students will be given the opportunity to meet with, and ask pertinent questions of, student ambassadors and we also have a dedicated student services one-stop shop just across the road which includes, welfare, medical, accommodation and finance offices. We look forward to seeing you in September.



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Calling prospective Brighton students

We are seeking prospective students to participate in this exciting new project. The Transitions Project intends to capture and enhance the experience of being a first year at the University of Brighton. Participation will involve attending a range of events, including social and study support activities with your fellow students throughout the year. We will be interested in hearing about your experiences of being a student from the time of receiving an offer and throughout the first year. There will also be an opportunity to participate in focus groups. Email us and let us know how you're getting on and / or chat with other first year students via an online community. If you would like to participate or find out more, please contact: m.i.doust@brighton.ac.uk

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