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UHI Argyll – Rothesay and Dunoon: Update for Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group 25.01.2023

1. In response to rising living costs, all UHI Argyll centres have put additional support in place for our students, including the provision of free breakfasts/snacks in all centres.
2. We are offering a wide range of free access courses starting this January. Available in both Rothesay and Dunoon centres are the following:

Access to Further Education, SCQF level 4, Full-time

Start date Wednesday 25th January 2023. Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays for 17 weeks.

Access to Care, SCQF level 5, Full-time

Start date Wednesday 25th January 2023. Wednesday Mornings, Thursdays & Fridays for 18 weeks

Modern Social Media Skills, SCQF level 4, Part-time

The start date Thursday 26th January 2023. Thursdays 10.30am – 3pm for 12 weeks

Technology Enabled Care PDA, SCQF level 7, Part-time

Start date January. 4 hours per week for 17 weeks

Free part-time/single unit courses:

ESOL English language levels 4 and 5

Starts January. Part-time, evening

Social Media Literacy

From January 24th to 30th May 2023. Online classes: Tuesdays 4.15 - 6.15pm

Computer Games Design

From January 26th to June 1st, 2023. Online classes: Thursdays 11.15am -1.15pm

Computer Games Development

From January 26th to June 1st, 2023. Online classes: Thursdays 9 - 11am

Garden Design

From Jan 24th to 28th March 2023. Online scheduled classes: Tuesdays 6-9pm

Horticulture

Choose from 7 single-unit options running from Jan to March or March to May at Mount Stuart Estate.

Free upskilling/reskilling (postgraduate and undergraduate). Limited spaces. Applications now closed:

Sustainability/Net Zero

Digital skills

Business, leadership and management skills

Health and wellbeing

Creative Industries

3. Throughout December, UHI Argyll ran a weekly networked Access to College course for school Christmas leavers.

4. Commencing in January and running for 12 weeks, UHI Argyll are offering intensive tuition in National 5 English and Maths for a fee of £60 for full 12 weeks. This is aimed at school children as a more affordable alternative to private tuition.
5. Open days were held in all UHI Argyll centres on 22nd November and 17th Jan, offering interactive taster sessions online or in the centres. There is a further open day provisionally scheduled for March.
6. Rothesay Centre: The Sawa partnership project for New Scots reached completion in October 2022. Four students successfully completed a vocational qualification in horticulture with preparation for employment skills.
7. Dunoon Centre: The graduation ceremony for 2022 graduates was held in Queen's Hall in Dunoon on Friday 23rd September 2022. Graduates from 2021 and 2020 were also invited to attend (their ceremonies had been postponed due to Coronavirus restrictions at the time).

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