

# SCHOOL HOUSE

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OF BOARDING

**RELIGIOUS  
EDUCATION**

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the way*

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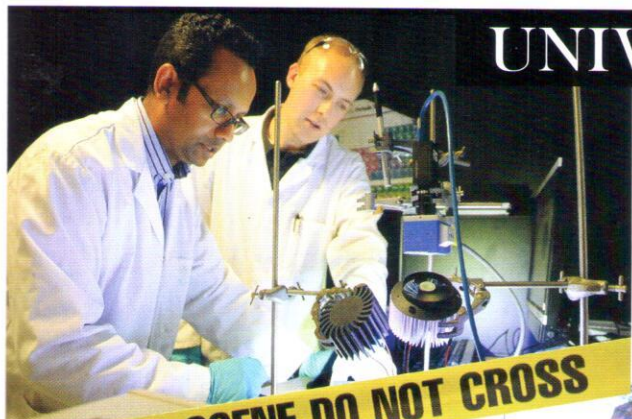
**FOCUS ON FEES**



# ON THE BRINK

News and views for those about to make the leap

## UNIVERSITY NEWS



### GROUNDBREAKING RESEARCH

Scientists at **University of Southampton** have conducted the largest ever medical study into out-of-body and near-death experience. The

university has spent four years examining over 2,000 people who suffered cardiac arrest in 15 hospitals across the UK, US and Austria. They found that nearly 40 per cent of survivors described some kind of 'awareness' during the time they were clinically dead.

The **University of Nottingham**

has smashed funding records this year by securing £181m of new grants to fund pioneering research. The university's large and complex research portfolio has won 801 awards from different funders, cementing its international reputation as a research centre of excellence.



**CRIME SCENE DO NOT CROSS**

A forensic breakthrough at **Teeside University** will enable scientists to not only identify bloodstains at crime scenes, but also accurately estimate their age. The innovative research has been praised in parliament, and the university has been described as the 'holy grail' of crime detection. The next step is to create a fully functional portable device, which can be used in a forensic lab or on location.

### BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCE IS NEXT BIG THING

Rory Sutherland, Ogilvy Group UK vice chairman, has predicted that behavioural science will be the biggest revolution in business since the internet. The **Warwick Business School** houses the largest behavioural science group in Europe, and is the best place for aspiring students, according to Sutherland, who is tagged as the 'biggest influence in marketing'. Behavioural science courses are also available at **London School of Economics** and the **Universities of Huddersfield and Cambridge**. The **University of Stirling** offers a postgraduate course.



### Modern Masters

Condé Nast, WIRED and the **University of Southern California** are launching a new online 18–24 month master's degree in integrated design, business and technology, combining the academic rigour of USC with state-of-the-art digital advances. The **University of Cambridge** college, Clare Hall, is launching Global Leaders. The programme will offer full scholarships to 100 masters degree students from developing countries in Africa, Asia and the Middle East, to encourage talented, underprivileged students into quality further education.



### GREEN AMBITION

**Plymouth University** won an impressive hat-trick of prizes at the Green Gown Awards, higher education's rubber stamp for sustainability and green issues. The university confirmed itself as one of the most sustainability-minded institutions in the country by winning awards in Enterprise, Courses and Learning and Food and Drink. People and Planet have ranked Plymouth number one in their University League.



## COOKING SCHOOLS



### Cookery School, Little Portland Street, London

The Cook's Certificate is a fast-tracked, intensive six-week course for novices wanting to cook in ski chalets, on yachts or at parties. £5,900 for six weeks. [cookeryschool.co.uk](http://cookeryschool.co.uk)

### Leiths, Wendell Road, London

Suitable for beginners, the Leith's Foundation Certificate ensures students leave able to work in catered accommodation at home or abroad. £7,490 for one term. [leiths.com](http://leiths.com)



### Tante Marie Culinary Academy, Woking

Tante Marie's esteemed Cordon Bleu Certificate turns out confident cooks capable of doing a ski season or working in a professional kitchen. From £7,950 a term. [tantemarie.co.uk](http://tantemarie.co.uk)

## BEST OF THE REST

### Root Camp, Devon

Summer camp courses teach foraging, organic farming, bread-making, preserving and sausage-making for university preparation. £675 for five days. [rootcamp.co.uk](http://rootcamp.co.uk)

### Orchards Cookery School, Salford Priors

Off to University course. From £695 for five days. [orchardscookery.co.uk](http://orchardscookery.co.uk)

### White Pepper Cookery School, Dorset

Earn their Sustainable Food & Cookery Certificate, which does what it says on the tin. £775 for five days. [white-pepper.co.uk](http://white-pepper.co.uk)