

## Can you believe it's Reading Week?

Congrats on making it halfway through the Winter term. Whether you're using the break to catch up on course material or winding down from the buzz of midterms, we've got you covered!

Much of our programming, supports and services are available during Reading Week, ensuring you will continue to have access to academic support, career guidance, wellness services, Mustangs playoff action, recreation and more. Visit [StudentExperience.uwo.ca](https://www.westernu.ca/student-experience) to access supports.

If you are staying in London this week, we've also included some local London events in this newsletter to help you take a well-deserved study break! For more great ideas, visit [Tourism London](https://www.visitlondon.com).

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## Events in London during Reading Week

**FEB 23-25**

### Covent Garden Market DJ Skates

Skate to the sounds of talented local DJ's, enjoy free hot chocolate, and keep warm around the fire pits at Covent Garden Market. Skate rentals are available for free.

[More Info](#)

**FEB 24**

### Music at the Mountain

Head to Boler Mountain for a day full of skiing, snowboarding, or tubing and stay Saturday night to enjoy live music for free (with your day pass) at the mountain from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

[Learn More](#)

**FEB 24**

### Heatwave Hot Sauce Expo

HEATWAVE is the largest gathering of Hot Sauce Creators in Canada featuring spicy food competitions, music, delicious food and more! Tickets are just \$10.

[Get Tickets](#)

## Events on Campus

**FEB 24**

### Mustangs Men's Basketball Playoff Game

Mustangs Men's Basketball are OUA West Division Champions and have a first round bye in the playoffs. They will play in the second round on Sat, Feb 24 at 4 p.m. at Alumni Hall. Western students get in free with valid Western ONECard.

[See Schedule](#)

**FEB 26-29**

### Writing Support Centre Seminar Series: Disciplinary Writing

Learn about writing based on your subject and audience. Check out the various sessions offered this week!

[View Series](#)

**FEB 28**

### Tech Talent Exchange

Join us on Wednesday, February 28 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Ivey for Tech Talent Exchange! Meet the London tech companies that are actively hiring - they pitch themselves to you!

[Learn More](#)

**FEB 29**

### Speak on it, featuring Michaëlle Jean

Join us on Thursday, February 29 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in McKellar Room (UCC) to close out Black History Month with the Right Honourable Michaëlle Jean.

[Learn More](#)

**FEB 29**

### Strengths in Action: Learning from Failure

Understand how to use your strengths to embrace failure as a stepping stone in this workshop, offered from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in UCC 210.

[Register](#)

**MAR 6**

### 'W'at Abowt Us': Film Screening & Panel

Join us to watch a film about the mainstream stories #MeToo never told Tuesday, March 6 at 1 p.m. in the McKellar Room (UCC) & participate in a Q&A panel with director Shelley Jarrett.

[More Info](#)

[See All Events](#)

## Campus Life

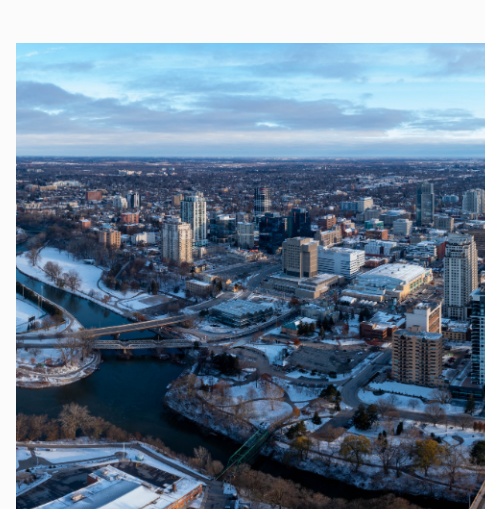
### PHOTO SPOTLIGHT: THERAPY DOGS



Thanks to everyone who stopped by to see the pups on Valentine's Day. If you missed it, don't worry! The St. John Ambulance Therapy Dogs will be back on March 12.

[Learn More](#)

### 8 THINGS TO DO IN LONDON DURING READING WEEK



Staying in London during Reading Week? Hank's got you covered in our latest Thrive Online blog with a variety of activities to make the most of your break!

[Read Hank's Blog](#)

### WESTERN WELLNESS

**Man|Made** is back! Starting Sunday, March 3 from 5 to 7 p.m., join other male-identified students for an opportunity to learn about masculinity, healthy relationships, sexuality and how you can help create a safer campus. *Participation is Co-Curricular Record approved.* [Learn more & register here!](#)

The Canadian Mental Health Association has **after hours virtual mental health crisis appointments** for students in need. Available Thursdays from 5 - 9 p.m. Set up an appointment by emailing [campus@cmhatv.ca](mailto:campus@cmhatv.ca)

Student Health & Wellness Services will be open during Reading Week, Tuesday - Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Thames Hall (room 2170). [Book an appointment!](#)

### MUSTANGS MINUTE

Congratulations to the Western Mustangs Men's Squash team who won their 40th consecutive OUA Provincial Championship, the Mustangs Women's Fencing team who won the 2024 OUA Championship, and the Western Cheer team who are PCA National Champions, taking home their 36th National title.

**Contest Alert:** Enter for a chance to win courtside seats (new!) to our first 2024 Mustangs Men's Basketball team playoff game this week, a concessions pack, Mustangs swag and \$100 to the SpokeWave. Visit [@WesternMustangs](https://www.westernu.ca/mustangs) on social for more info!

Your Western Mustangs are headed into the playoffs! Home playoff games are free this year for current students, with valid Western ONECard.

[See Full Sports Schedule](#)

### GET INVOLVED

- **The City of London is hiring for summer!** Roles available at local community centres, pools, arenas, golf courses, day camps, and more.
- The 2024 Ontario Summer Games presented by London Hydro, are coming to London and Western this August! **Volunteers are now being accepted.** Learn more at [www.london2024.ca](https://www.london2024.ca).
- Looking for a part-time job in the 2024-25 academic year? **Join the Street Team!** You'll assist in conducting residence tours, and promoting the services of Housing, Hospitality and Western Bookstore. Apply via [recruit.uwo.ca](https://recruit.uwo.ca) (job #33803).
- **Becoming a creatives! Become a Marketing Assistant** to support the portfolio of Housing, Hospitality Service and Western Bookstore. Showcase your skills in photography (job #33941), graphic design (job #33937) and design/graphic/social media (job #33942). Full-time during the summer and part-time during the school year. Apply by March 4 via [recruit.uwo.ca](https://recruit.uwo.ca).
- Graduating? Taking a year off school? **The USC is looking for full-time interns.** [Apply by March 4](#) at 11:59 p.m.
- **Western International is looking for volunteers** for roles including Peer Guides and Transition Activity Coordinators/Global Café Organizers for the 2024-25 academic year. [Learn more!](#)
- There are currently hundreds of active postings to gain meaningful paid experience through an internship or co-op! You must register through your faculty to see these opportunities on Western Connect. [Discover your options!](#)

### STUDENT LIFE

- Share your feedback for a chance to win 1 of 5 \$100 gift cards to the Western Bookstore! Fill out the [Student Experience Communications Survey](#) by March 8.
- **Get books during Reading Week!** Request or pick up books from 16 Ontario universities or partner libraries using your Western ONECard. Return books at any partner library. Learn more about [Pickup Anywhere!](#)
- Looking to hone your study skills over the break? Meet with the [Learning Development & Success team](#) for personalized supports.
- Get ahead on your written assignments or presentation prep by working with the [Writing Support Centre experts](#).
- **Book an appointment** with a **Career Coach** over Reading Week to discuss any career-related topics or questions you may have.
- Calling all international students: dive into your career development goals with our [International Student Career Workshop Series](#), starting March 4.
- Student applications are open now for new **Recreational Clubs** for the 2024-25 academic year. Deadline to submit is February 29, 2024. [More info here!](#)
- **Western Campus Recreation is OPEN** with adjusted hours for Reading Week. [View hours of operation and programming information.](#)

### IMPORTANT DATES

- **Feb 20:** First day to activate for Summer Term and enroll in Summer Term courses
- **Feb 23:** In Absentia Convocation
- **March 1:** Intent to Register & Application to Graduate open

[See More Dates](#)

### HOT TAKE

Reading Week Vibes:

**Travelling or Staying Home?**

[Vote Now](#)

**Results:** Ideal Study Playlist...

Upbeat 36%  
Lo-fi 64%

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