SURREY STAFF NEURODIVERSITY NETWORK NEWSLETTER



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MEMBERSHIP

To join the neurodiversity network as a member or ally, simply fill out this form

Feel free to share this newsletter with colleagues to encourage people to sign up and get involved!

Welcome to the first Staff Neurodiversity Network Newsletter! Many thanks for your interest in this project, whether you signed up as a member or an ally. In these newsletters, we'll try to update you on upcoming events and ways to get involved with the network.

Our first few blog posts have now been published, which you can read at <u>https://blogs.surrey.ac.uk/neurodiversityat-surrey/</u>. We have also started collating some neurodiversity resources on our <u>padlet</u>.

We're hosting our first member events this month so that neurodivergent staff can meet and share stories and experiences. Stay tuned for March if you're an ally as we have some public events planned for Neurodiversity Celebration Week!

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with ideas and feedback. What would you like to see from the network? We want this network to be co-created with the member's needs at the forefront.

Daisy Shearer, Staff Neurodiversity Network co-chair

ON THE BLOG

About the Neurodiversity Networks

Why do we need a neurodiversity network? by Daisy Shearer

Delving into Diversity: Dyslexia by Caroline Uncles

> **Contribute to the blog!** If you'd like to contribute to the blog by sharing an experience or writing a piece on an aspect of neurodiversity, please fill out <u>this form</u>!

NETWORK NEWS

Network Launch

The Neurodiversity Networks have officially been launched! We will be forming our steering committee in the coming months and will be looking for neurodivergent staff to fill the following roles:

- Co-chairs
- Secretary
- Events co-ordinator
- Blog co-ordinator
- Mental Health Champion
- Representatives from various university communities

If you are interested in joining the steering committee, please email staffNDnetwork@surrey.ac.uk

Neurodiversity Network Badges

To help spread the word about the Neurodiversity Network, we have created some badges that you can add to your email signature. There is a plain version, a members version, and an ally version:



The badges can be found in this sharepoint folder.

FEATURED RESOURCE

<u>Clearing Up Some Misconceptions about Neurodiversity | Scientific American</u> <u>by By Aiyana Bailin</u>