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Welcome back!

"On behalf of the entire Sabbatical Officer team, welcome back to Warwick for another year. We hope you had a relaxing summer break!"

"Don't forget that, whatever your year of study, passions or priorities, the SU is here FOR YOU during your time at university. It's never too late to start making the most of student life – whether that's getting involved with clubs & societies, joining a campaign, voting in SU referenda or running for a rep, exec or officer position.

Of course, living off-campus and adjusting to a new study schedule also brings its own set of challenges, which is where our Advice & Welfare team comes in. Take a look through this guide for more info about useful services offered by the SU – if there's any way we can help improve your student experience during your time here, please don't hesitate to get in touch!"

Contact me: president@warwicksu.com

Run by students, for students

Your elected officer team for 2017-18

Each year, the student body elects seven student officers, who take a year out to represent you and the issues you care about. This year's Sabbatical Officer team – or 'Sabbs', as they’re more commonly known – is shown above.

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"Positively impacting students’ lives at Warwick and beyond”

Warwick SU Mission Statement

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Find Us
The Sabbatical Officer team is now based on Floor 1 of SUHQ, at the end of the corridor past Reception and the Meeting Rooms.

Warwick SU App
Download the Warwick SU App to stay up to date with news and event info throughout the year! warwicksu.com/app

This is your guide to everything your Students’ Union can do for you. Read on to learn more about your SU, get to know your elected Officers and discover the kind of events you can expect to see this year!

As well as finding out how to get involved in clubs and societies, there are important sections on health and wellbeing, campaigning & democracy, academic support, job and volunteering opportunities, plus useful contacts.
Getting the most from your degree

We’re here to ensure that all students at Warwick are able to fulfil their academic and personal potential. The SU is the best mechanism for getting your views heard, enabling you to play an active role in your education.

Empowering students

As the independent voice of Warwick students, we exist to represent your views to your academic department, the University and even the government. In addition to campaigning on local and national issues relevant to students, we’re here to fight for your rights. Remember, our collective voice is much stronger than a lone one!

Academic Representation

The SU is also a great place to get individual support and help. The Education Officer and Postgraduate Officer work closely with our Advice Centre on a range of issues including academic appeals and complaints, changing courses, supervision issues, mitigating circumstances and more.

Course Reps

Spanning every single University department, our network of over 700 student Course Reps are in place to voice concerns you may have about your degree course, covering issues including examinations, course changes, feedback and academic facilities. We fundamentally believe that students are partners in education, and our Course Reps demonstrate this throughout the academic year.

We will be recruiting Course Reps for the 2017-18 academic year during Term 1.

For more info, visit warwicksu.com/sslc

“I am your lead representative on all academic and study issues for the 2017-18 academic year. I oversee the SU’s Course Rep system and sit on all the University’s main education boards to ensure that students’ interests are at the heart of everything they do. Please feel free to get in touch if you have any questions or problems relating to your education!”

Contact me: education@warwicksu.com

“I am the elected voice of Warwick’s 9000+ Postgraduate students, standing up for your interests and making sure that postgrads are an active and respected part of the university community. I am also here to help postgrads get the most out of their time at Warwick through social and extra-curricular activities.”

Contact me: postgrads@warwicksu.com

For more information, visit warwicksu.com/education and warwicksu.com/postgrads

Gadget insurance. Built for you.

We all love our phones, tablets, and our consoles. With our flexible and affordable gadget insurance you can ensure that you protect what is important to you.

With our claims process replacing your gadget within one working day of your claim being approved, even if the worst should happen, you’ll never be too long without the things that matter to you most.

Build your cover at endsleigh.co.uk/university

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Societies
Discover what you love

It’s never too late to get involved with one or more of our many societies, which bring together over 10,000 students who are interested in or care about a certain issue or activity. They are a fantastic way to make friends, pursue existing interests or try something new – who knows, they may end up changing your life!

“Societies will provide some of the most memorable experiences you’ll have during your time here. I oversee the 250+ societies here at Warwick and all of the amazing work they do - if you need help setting up an event, some advice on the running of your society or even want to start a new one, come and see me during the year!”

Contact me: societies@warwicksu.com
For more information, visit warwicksu.com/societies

Download the SU App to find out more about all of our Societies, and come along to the Societies Fair in the Sports Centre on Wednesday and Thursday of Week 1.

Support, friendship, community
Your time at university is about so much more than just your studies. By getting involved with extra-curricular activities, the opportunities for socialising, support and participation are endless!

Start or run a society
We have more societies than any other Students’ Union in the country – however, if there isn’t one that caters to your particular interests, feel free to start your own! Running for a Society Exec position in Term 2 will get you dealing with budgets, organising events and picking up skills you won’t get from just doing your degree.

Creative Warwick
Creative Warwick is a campus-wide celebration of the 250+ student societies at Warwick. Led by Warwick Students’ Union, in partnership with Warwick Arts Centre and the University of Warwick, Creative Warwick showcases all the incredible things our societies get up to. Find out more at warwicksu.com/creativewarwick

Membership fees
Societies are supported and administered by the SU – and, as such, there is a £19 annual charge to join the Societies Federation to help us provide all the funding and infrastructure required.

Once you’ve paid the SU’s Societies Federation membership fee, you can join as many societies as you like – most usually charge around £3 per year for membership, though some are free and several are exempt from the Societies Federation fee.

Online Societies Directory
Our societies cover everything from Academia, Activities & Games, Campaigning, Culture, Film & Media, Food & Drink, Music Appreciation, Performance, Religion & Belief, and Welfare, Charity & Action. Check out the full range online at warwicksu.com/societies - or download the SU App - then come along to the Societies Fair, held on Wednesday and Thursday of Week 1!
Sport at Warwick
Team Warwick

All of our 65+ Sports Clubs are student-run and form a massive part of our sporting community, with over 5000 individual members joining each year! The University of Warwick also offers a huge variety of sporting activities with exceptional facilities all over campus.

If you’re new to sport at Warwick, look out for our Reshaping Sport campaign in Term 1. This will provide a wealth of taster sessions during the first few weeks, as well as aiming to bust a few myths about sporting participation on campus!

“Sport has had a huge impact on my time as a student, and my job as Sports Officer is to look after our 65+ student-run clubs here at Warwick. There really is something for everyone, so make sure you check out what’s on offer and get stuck in – with social, charity endeavours and tours, it’s about much more than just playing and competing!”

Contact me: sports@warwicksu.com
For more information, visit warwicksu.com/sport

Stay active
Whether you’re a seasoned pro or a complete beginner, there’s bound to be a Sports Club for you! There are also plenty of opportunities for a casual get-together with friends, while the Active programme also runs a variety of classes and sessions throughout the year.

Represent your university
Many of our clubs compete every Wednesday afternoon during term-time in the British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS) leagues. In Term 2, Warwick’s Sports Clubs also square off against our arch-rivals from Coventry University in the annual Varsity tournament – to date, #TeamWarwick remain undefeated!

Make friends
In addition to weekly fixtures, training sessions, socials and big calendar events, many Sports Clubs put on their own trips and international tours. These are open to all members and differ each year. In Term 3, the Students’ Union also celebrates our students’ annual sporting achievements at the prestigious Sports Ball.

Reshaping Sport
Our #ReshapingSport campaign is designed to allow anyone at Warwick to reshape sport to best suit them, and to make sport inclusive, diverse and accessible for people of all abilities and identities. We will be collaborating with existing efforts on campus from Active teams, societies, clubs and liberation groups that are encouraging students to get involved in any form of sport that is not necessarily competitive. Gardening, walking, running, football, tiddlywinks - anything can be reshaped to be the type of sport that best fits you!

Sports Club Directory
A full rundown of all our Sports Clubs can be found online at warwicksu.com/sports – or by downloading the SU App - while you’ll be able to meet club-members in person at the Sports Fair on Tuesday Week 1 of Term 1.

Membership Fees
Our student-run Sports Clubs are supported and administered by Students’ Union staff. Once you’ve joined Warwick Sport to gain access to campus facilities, there’s a one-off charge of £32 per year for the SU’s Sports Federation, which helps provide all the training, insurance and subsidies required to support our incredible Club Execs. After joining the Sports Federation, you’re then able to sign up for as many clubs as you like for just £6 each per year – an absolute bargain considering how many great experiences you’ll have over the next 3 terms!
Welcome to Warwick Students’ Union

Always something for you

#WeGetConsent

MOVING OUT THE GREENER WAY

ISLAMOPHOBIA AWARENESS MONTH

Pride Week

Meet your Sabbatical Officers

Welcome Fair for Postgraduate and International Students

SKOOL DAYZ

TRANSACTIONAL AWARENESS WEEK

Meet Student Meeting & Referenda

Join a Society at the Societies Fair

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Graduation Ball

CREATIVE

Real Ale Festival

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Dirty Duck

nus extra

Your student discount card

so much more for your money here at the SU

PG QUIZ

 jetski

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY

Be the Change Fair and Volunteering Fairs

TEAM WARWICK

LGBTQA+ HISTORY MONTH

2022 Fringe Festival

The Bread Oven

THE BREAD OVEN

MEMORY MATTERS

Mental Health Awareness Week

CARE REP ELECTIONS

Welcome Fair for Postgraduate and International Students

Judge, Jury, and Executioner

Party

ALUMNI BAND

Asexual Awareness Week

Advisory Committee

This Girl Can

COFFEE SHOP KITCHEN

Housing Day

ENQUIRY CENTRE

CRASH

Asexual Awareness Week

LGBTQA+ HISTORY MONTH

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Support for Disabled Students

University life can often prove especially challenging for students with a disability or additional needs. It can sometimes feel like you’re on your own, and it can be difficult to know where to turn. Thankfully, there’s plenty of support available.

Your Disabled Students’ Officer, Melissa Martin

The Disabled Students’ Officer is elected by disabled students to represent them, support them and protect their interests within the University. Melissa can help with accessing societies, sports clubs and volunteering within the Students’ Union, as well as advice on living with a disability at university. She has set up a Facebook group to support students and will be running a number of events during Freshers Fortnight, such as accessible campus tours.

disabledstudents@warwicksu.com
facebook.com/groups/warwickdisabledfreshers2017
twitter.com/melissa_dso

Disability Services

Run by the University to help disabled students with tasks such as organising exam arrangements (e.g. extra time), applications for Disabled Students’ Allowance and arranging screenings for learning differences like dyslexia. The first place to look for help in disability-related matters within the University.

T: 024 7615 0641
disability@warwick.ac.uk

Warwick Enable

Warwick Enable is the society for disabled students, their friends, allies, enablers and carers. They run regular social events and a buddy scheme, in which you are paired with an existing student with a similar disability or similar interests, who can offer friendship and support you during your time at university.

warwickenable@gmail.com
facebook.com/warwickenable/
twitter.com/WarwickEnable

Freshers Week

This is a particularly busy and hectic time at the University, and adjustments are made accordingly. There is a quiet half-hour set aside at the start of the Sports and Societies Fairs to allow students with additional needs to access them with minimal stress or anxiety.
Student democracy

Every Students’ Union in the country is run directly by its members – any student can get involved, and every student has an equal say. We use democratic processes at the SU to reach decisions on what we campaign on and the services we offer to students.

**SU Policy**

SU policy is used to lobby external organisations (e.g. the university, the government or local businesses). Policy represents the ‘collective voice’ of the student body and is used to try and enact change on issues that are important to students!

**All Student Meetings & Referenda**

Once a term, we hold an All Student Meeting to discuss policy motions submitted for consideration by the student body as a whole. Any student can attend these meetings, raise issues and debate! Following this, the motions are put to a campus-wide vote online in an SU Referendum, and successful motions then become SU policy.

**Democracy & Development Officer Michael Kynaston**

“I oversee all areas of our commercial operations to make sure that our services provide the best value-for-money possible to students, as well as ensuring that all our democratic processes are transparent and accessible. Make sure you have your say in how your Union is run by voting in Referenda and Officer Elections – decisions are made by those who show up!”

Contact me: ddo@warwicksu.com

For more information, visit warwicksu.com/democracy.

**Elections**

Twice a year (once in the Autumn Term and once in the Spring Term), the student body elects a series of student representatives to work on their behalf at the Students’ Union. From Faculty Reps and Exec Members to Part-Time Officers and full-time Sabbatical Officers, these positions represent your chance to make a positive impact on student life!

**SU Execs**

Our elected Exec Committees help to plan services and provide student oversight on all the main areas of the SU’s operations. Get involved by running for a position in this year’s Autumn Elections!

**Working for you**

Part-Time Officers are current students who are elected to represent the interests of minority groups and individual faculties on campus. Get in touch with them to raise any issues about student life or your degree course!

**WOMEN’S OFFICER:**
Laura Addison and Amy Moores
Email: women@warwicksu.com
warwicksu.com/communities/women

**ENVIRONMENT & ETHICS OFFICER:**
Julie Saumagne and Christian König
Email: ethics_environment@warwicksu.com

**ETHNIC MINORITIES OFFICER:**
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Email: ethnicminorities@warwicksu.com
warwicksu.com/communities/ethnicminorities

**DISABLED STUDENTS’ OFFICER:**
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**LGBTUA+ OFFICER:**
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**UNDERGRADUATE SOCIAL SCIENCES FACULTY REP (FOR WBS):**
Greg Clarke
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To be elected in Autumn Elections 2017:

- PART-TIME & MATURE STUDENTS’ OFFICER
- TRANS+ OFFICER
- MEDICAL FACULTY REPS x 2
- POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH ARTS FACULTY REP
- POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH SCIENCE FACULTY REP
- POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH MEDICAL FACULTY REP
- POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH SOCIAL SCIENCES FACULTY REP
- POSTGRADUATE TAUGHT ARTS FACULTY REP
- POSTGRADUATE TAUGHT SCIENCE FACULTY REP
- POSTGRADUATE TAUGHT SOCIAL SCIENCES FACULTY REP (RESERVED FOR NON-WBS)
- POSTGRADUATE TAUGHT SOCIAL SCIENCES FACULTY REP (RESERVED FOR WBS)
- FOUNDATION FACULTY REP
- UNDERGRADUATE PHYSICS AND FORMAL SCIENCE FACULTY REP
Get involved

The student movement has historically been at the forefront of pushing for progressive social and political change, and Warwick students are no exception to this. There is a rich and extensive history of Warwick students standing up for justice, equality and rights - check out the timeline below to find out more!

A History of Activism at Warwick University

October 4

First demonstration on campus against the presence of the U.S. Ambassador, who was opening Benefactors accommodation. A small number of students picket the Ambassador. Protests against the Vietnam War were reaching their peak in the UK at the time.

February 11

The Files Affair begins. Students occupy the administrative building in an effort to pressure University management into granting the Students’ Union a building under student academic control. During the occupation, files are found detailing political surveillance of students and staff, in collaboration with big industrialists on the University’s Council. National uproar follows, and occupations are sparked at several other universities. The first Vice Chancellor is almost forced to stand down, and a raft of reforms to Warwick’s governance follow.

June 15

1967

Warwick student Kevin Gately dies at a demonstration against the fascist National Front in London, the first student death at a demonstration in the UK. Hundreds of students march in London and Coventry to commemorate him. Suspicions that the police were responsible for his death were never fully answered.

March

1970

March

After eight years of struggle and negotiation, an agreement for a student-controlled SU building is signed – the building which today contains The Bread Oven and The Copper Rooms.

February 11

March

1975

March

A campaign to force Warwick to switch from Barclays Bank over its links with apartheid, and divest from shares linked to South Africa, succeeds.

April

1974

A three-week occupation of Senate House begins to support a rent strike which was in its fourth month, in an attempt to limit heavy rent increases. Warwick takes out a High Court Injunction and brings 500 police to campus to evict the occupation, and the rents go up.

June

1974

The SU is fined £30,000 after a riotous demonstration against the campus visit of a Thatcherite government minister, Sir Keith Joseph. A Fight the Fine campaign is launched by boycottting all University outlets on campus, succeeding in forcing Warwick to reverse the fine.

March

2000

Several hundred students occupy the introduction of tuition fees by the Blair government.

March

1983

A small sit-in at Senate House is violently broken up by police as students are sprayed in the face with CS gas and threatened with Tasers. A one-thousand-strong demonstration the next day leads to an eight-day occupation of the Rootes Building and a year-long political conflict with management.

January 21

2009

A nine-day sit-in in S0.21 begins over Israel’s attack on Gaza, ending once the University agrees to negotiate on their demands.

November

2014

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December 3

2016

Warwick For Free Education occupy an entire conference building, the Slate, over civil liberties violations, the marketisation of higher education, and work casualisation at Warwick. The two-week occupation ends after the University concedes to a number of their demands.

Remembering the past and looking to the future, the Students’ Union remains an inherently political body. We run and help to facilitate grassroots campaigns on a range of issues both locally and nationally.

Recent campaigns include:

• FIX THE FEES: SU campaign for greater transparency and fairness on tuition fees paid by international students.
• NSS BOYCOTT: A national campaign which Warwick students voted to take part in, aimed at opposing tuition fee rises and the marketisation of universities.
• FOSSIL FREE: A grassroots environmental campaign which successfully pushed the University to commit to divesting from fossil fuels.
• I HEART CONSENT: A student-led campaign aimed at kickstarting conversations around sexual consent and the role we all have in creating a safer campus for all.

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Discover what you love...

In addition to Sports Clubs and Societies, there are many ways that you can get involved with your Students’ Union this year and help make a real difference to the Warwick community!

**Fundraising**
Student fundraising efforts generate hundreds of thousands of pounds for charity each year here at Warwick – whether you want to fundraise as an individual or as part of a society, RAG will be able to help you out! Visit warwicksu.com/rag for all the latest info and totals. If you are passionate about making a positive difference, be it big or small, please get involved!

For more information, visit warwicksu.com/campaigns

**Volunteering**
Volunteering offers you the chance to give something back and make a positive difference in the local community. It’s also a great way to develop new skills and acquire vital work experience! Whatever your interests or schedule, Warwick Volunteers can find an opportunity for you.

For more information, visit warwick.ac.uk/volunteers

**Elected positions**
It’s your Union – make sure you’re a part of it! There are a host of opportunities for students to run for elected positions in the SU – be that as a member of Student Council, an SU Exec or an Officer role (see the Democracy section of this guide), or an Exec position in a Sports Club or Society.

For more information, visit warwicksu.com/democracy

**Jobs**
We employ hundreds of part-time student staff in a range of roles from Bar Staff, Stewards and Reception Assistants to First Aiders and members of our Students’ Union Ambassador Team (previously known as the Street Team). All our shifts are flexible to work around your busy student schedule!

For more information, visit warwicksu.com/jobs

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**Domino’s**

**WELCOME TO UNI**

**BUY ONE GET ONE FREE**

*Valid on medium or large pizza only. Void online only. Free pizza must be equal or lesser value than the first. Not valid with any other offer. Offer can be withdrawn without notice. Student ID required. EWP 31-5-19*
On behalf of the entire Students’ Union Officer and Staff team, we look forward to seeing you!

For more information about Warwick Students’ Union, visit warwicksu.com

Our values:

Student Focused – We put students at the heart of everything we do.
Democratic – We are representative, ethical, transparent and accountable.
Welcoming – We are supportive, helpful, inclusive and value diversity.
Enriching – We nurture students’ aspirations and help them develop.
Independent – We are the independent voice of Warwick students.