



WSU 2023-24

Term 2 Impact Report



Always
something
for
you



Introduction

As always, there was loads happening at your Students' Union during Term 2!

From Varsity and Officer Elections to SHaG Fest and the (Free) Breakfast Club, the SU provided representation, social activities and support for all our amazing members.

We are run by students for students, so thank you to everyone who got involved with the SU in any way. You have all played a part in making Warwick a better place!

Read on for a recap on just some of the SU highlights from a fantastic second term.

Support

SU Advice Centre

In term 2, the Advice Centre opened a total of 268 cases, taking the total number of students supported this academic year to 772. This consisted of 76 Academic cases, 42 Finance cases, 116 Housing cases and 59 Welfare. Housing, closely followed by Academic, has remained our biggest area of impact this term.

According to our latest feedback survey:

96%

of respondents were satisfied with the advice they received

97%

would use the Advice Centre again

94%

agreed that the advice empowered them to make informed choices about their situation

97%

would recommend the Advice Centre to a friend

Case wins this term include:

- University appeal criteria for taught postgraduate students being reviewed by the Uni following a successful appeal case.
- Leading a multi-agency approach to support and empower students who were feeling harassed and threatened by a neighbour.
- Supporting a student with a complaint so they could resubmit 2 modules and get their degree classification uplifted from a 2:2 to 2:1.

Some quotes from the students we have supported:

I felt very welcome at the Advice Centre and I felt listened to.

It's perfect!

We got perfect help.

The support was extraordinary.

Representation

Student Voice

Spring Elections

43,668 votes cast by 5,533 students to choose their representatives for 18 SU Officer and NUS Delegate positions.

All Student Vote

3,045 votes cast by 662 students to have their say on 5 motions impacting varied aspects of student life at Warwick.

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in our Spring Elections



Campaigns

- £12,000 made available to students through our Funding Hub, to purchase items to make student life easier:
 - Gender Expression Fund: 93 applications, and full fund amount distributed
 - Disability Item Fund: 80 applications and full fund amount distributed
 - Sportswear For All Fund: 39 applications
- Over 100 students visited The Green Room every Tuesday and Thursday to access the (Free) Breakfast Club, with thanks to our student volunteers
- As part of the End Period Poverty campaign, over 45 student volunteers distributed period products to bathrooms across campus for students to access anytime
- Self-defence classes for women and non-binary students were fully booked throughout term 2
- Over 70 students attended our Holocaust Memorial Day event in January, organised in partnership with the Chaplaincy, Department of History and the Jewish Society
- Our Badminton event for the Postgraduate Connections campaign was attended by over 60 of our PG members



Social Activities

Venues and Outlets

We gave you plenty of opportunities to party, with amazing SU events like Pop!, Skool Dayz and Loud & Proud.

Throughout the term you got through:



The FOOD STATION

The Dirty Duck

We made sure you were well fed, selling:

9,700 burrito bowls,
500 baked potatoes,
2,000 pizzas and
9,200 burgers

We made sure there were drinks for everyone, serving up:

the terrace bar
2,000 cocktails



CURIOSITEA.

1,750

specials sold in Curiositea



Social Activities



Sports Clubs and Societies



Warwick beat Coventry... again! Across 18 fixtures we won 15, drew 2, and lost 1. **Final score, 32-4 to Warwick!**

Our clubs organised a whole host of events, with a total of over 5,000 attendees, including:

- 36 tournaments and competitions
- 22 balls
- 15 trips
- 24 tours, going to locations such as Malta, Budapest, Athens, Lisbon, Prague, Krakow, Cyprus, and Barcelona

In BUCS, we played 338 games and won 175. We had:

- 4 x silver Conference Cup finishes
- 2 x National Trophy appearances
- 1 x National Championship appearance

..... Our clubs' overall medal haul included:

Gold medals:

1

Silver medals:

6

Bronze medals:

5

Event medals:

8

Cup medals:

4

Societies' Achievements

- 585 guest speakers at society events
- 22 society conferences
- 51 sponsorships/donations received to support society activity



Full-Time Officers



Termly Round-up

Your elected Officers were busy representing you throughout the term. Here are some of their highlights:



ANNA TAYLOR
President

Led on the student contribution the University's Academic Governance Review and review of professional services, focusing on broader student engagement and consistency of access to decision-making for students.

Worked with Projects and Campaigns to deliver another successful SHaG Fest!

Fed into ongoing work on restructuring our byelaws.

Continued to represent student voice in committees across the university's governance structures.



HOLLY ROFFE
VP Education

Organised and helped lead an extended academic forum session, open to a wider audience of all academic reps, with the purpose of workshopping the new Education and Student Experience Strategy.

Continued to work with colleagues at the university to develop the new Access and Participation Plan (APP), and began planning for the student submission.

Co-led a session on Inclusive Student Experience and Transitions at the "Ahead Together: Co-Creating our 2030 Education and Student Experience Strategy" conference.



MAX PIKE
VP Societies

Held our first two society 'Exec Mixers' post-covid.

Finished the new societies application process.

Rewrote the Student Activities byelaws and began work on a compliance process to ensure societies are supported and treated fairly.

Allocated over £1000 of emergency support for societies.

Co-led on SHaG Fest.

Kicked off planning for Exec Welcome, Welcome Week and Union Awards.



ENAYA NIHAL

VP Welfare & Campaigns

Delivered the (Free) Breakfast Club offering to 350-500+ students twice a week with the brilliant Projects & Campaigns team and 14 student volunteers.

Led the End Period Poverty campaign, supplying free pads and tampons to over 40 bathrooms on campus with a dedicated team of 43 student volunteers.

Allocated £7,000+ of the Project and Campaigns funds through Welfare Forum to societies and individual campaigns.

Supported a Holocaust Memorial Day Lecture run by JSoc and the Projects & Campaigns team, with over 70 students in attendance.



VAISHNAVI RAVI

VP Postgraduate

Ran two successful PG Connections events (Badminton and Arts & Crafts).

Represented postgraduates in the creation of the next education and student experience strategy.

Participated in the academic governance review to represent students.



EMMA BIRCH

VP Sports

Reduced Sports fees by 25% for the remainder of the year. The first-time sports fees have seen any decrease in the last 5+ years.

Ran and organised Varsity where we came away with our 34th win!

Began wider discussion of implementing a permanent reduced sports fee.

Ran Presidents Forum which had an attendance of over 75% of presidents.

Wrote and supported with creating the Student Activities operational documents.



SOPHIE CLARK

VP Democracy & Development

Began the process of establishing another allotment.

Confirmed the presence of a student swap shop on campus.

Began the process of bringing a policy on arms and the MoD to university council.



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