

WELCOME TO THE SU

A guide to your **Students' Union** at the University of Worcester!



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WHO ARE WE?

The Students' Union (SU) is an organisation led by elected students for the benefit of students. As a student at the University of Worcester, you are automatically a member of the SU. That means you get a big say in who represents you and how we're run.

Getting involved with the SU is a great way to make your time at university the best it can be. If you're looking to make new friends, join a club or society, get involved with fundraising, or enhance your employability skills, the SU is the place to come.

Meet your Full Time Officers

We have three Full Time Officers, each with different responsibilities, who make sure your voice is heard within the University to help you get the most out of your time at Worcester.



Meg Price - Students' Union President (20-21)

Meg is the lead representative of Worcester Students' Union and champions the rights, welfare, and diversity of all our students.

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Harry South - Vice President Education (20-21)

Harry takes the lead on educational quality issues for the SU and ensures its members' interests are represented. Harry will work with Course and School Reps to feedback to the University and ensure you get the best possible experience on your course.

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Tish Manning - Vice President Student Activities (20-21)

Tish is responsible for sports, societies, #TeamWorc ACTION, and fundraising (RAG) at the SU. She is here to support students in the extra-curricular aspects of their University experience.

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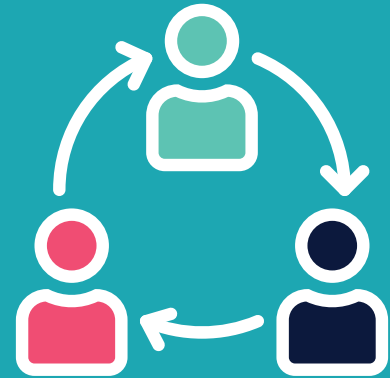
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Networks

This year, we are excited to be launching the following student-led Networks:

- ▶ Black, Asian, and Minority Ethnic (BAME) Students' Network
- ▶ Commuter Students' Network
- ▶ Disabled Students' Network
- ▶ International Students' Network
- ▶ LGBTQ+ Students' Network
- ▶ Mature, Parents and Carers Network
- ▶ Postgraduate Students' Network
- ▶ Sustainability Network
- ▶ The Widening Participation Network
- ▶ Women's Network



These Networks will represent the interests of students from certain groups and on the issues most important to you. They will be a brand new way for you to build communities, lead campaigns, hold social events, and ultimately bring about positive change at the University.

You can find out more about Networks and how to join via www.worcsu.com/networks

Academic Representation

Your views are represented by Course Reps, School Reps, and the VP Education (Harry). Our Reps are students who volunteer their time to represent your views so you can have the best possible experience on your course.

Every course in every year group has a dedicated Course Rep who is trained and supported by the SU. They attend regular forums to give your feedback directly to the University. Make sure you provide your Reps with feedback throughout the year. Let them know what's been good and what improvements could be made on your course.

We'll be recruiting for Course Reps at various points throughout the year, so make sure you keep an eye out for your chance to represent your fellow students.

Visit www.worcsu.com/yourvoice/rep to find out more.



Ideas Forum

The Ideas Forum is your opportunity to tell us what you think and help us bring about positive change at the University. Visit www.worcsu.com/ideasforum to submit your ideas for change and vote on the ideas posted by others. The ideas receiving the most support from students will be discussed by Student Council with the potential to be implemented by the University and SU.

GET INVOLVED

Sports

Sport plays a big role in the student experience, whether you're playing competitively or just for fun. As well as recreational sport, we have around 35 sports clubs, with over 40 teams competing nationally in BUCS (British Universities & Colleges Sport). The clubs are run by student-led committees and are open for all Worcester students to join. All clubs are supported by the SU to grow, develop, and be inclusive for all. The sporting year finishes with one of the highlights of the SU calendar, our highly competitive annual Varsity against the University of Gloucestershire.



Societies

Being a member of one of our societies is a great way for you to make new friends, unleash hidden talents, find a new passion, or indulge in what you already love. Being part of a society gives you the opportunity to learn new skills, compete, go on trips, win awards, and take on leadership roles.

We also want to enhance the learning experience on your course. You can join an academic society to gain skills and take part in activities on top of your day-to-day lectures

Visit www.worcsu.com/sports_activities to find out more about all of our Societies and Sports Clubs.

GET INVOLVED



#TeamWorc ACTION

Through #TeamWorc ACTION you can get involved with a wide range of volunteering opportunities at the University and in your local community. Volunteering helps you stand out from the crowd with real experiences that build your confidence and develop your skills. You can volunteer to do almost anything and give as much time as you want. We have a range of opportunities, from one-off events, setting up your own project, or volunteering with over 90 local charities and community groups. Volunteering hours can be recorded on your degree, meaning you can showcase your achievements when applying for jobs.



Raise & Give ▶▶▶▶▶

If you're passionate about helping good causes, getting involved with RAG is a great way to make a difference during your time at Worcester. Our student-led RAG Committee will support you in fundraising for the charity of your choice, as well as hosting a range of activities for you to get involved with, like our annual RAG Week. Last year we raised over £22,000 and this year we want to raise even more!

To get involved or book a 15 minute fundraising support session, visit www.worcsu.com/volunteer/RAG

GET SUPPORT

Free, independent, and confidential help and advice...

Student life is full of exciting opportunities and experiences, but when things aren't going so well, our Help & Advice service is here to support you. We offer free, independent, and confidential advice to all students at Worcester and its Partner Institutions.

We can help with a range of issues, including academic misconduct, appeals, student conduct, complaints, disciplinarys and housing. We can also further support or signpost for finance and wellbeing.

Booking an appointment with our advisor is really easy. You can either visit the Welcome Desk, call 01905 543 210, email studentsunion@worc.ac.uk, or visit www.worcsu.com/helpandadvice.



Further support.

Throughout the year our elected Officers, along with various student groups, run campaigns and events to raise awareness of particular issues, and highlight all the support available to you. These cover a whole load of topics relevant to you, from housing to health to academic procedures.

If you want to find out more about what your Officers want to achieve this year, visit www.worcsu.com/campaigns. Or just pop into the SU and speak to them – they'd love to meet you!

GET SUPPORT

Welcome Desk

If you have any queries about the SU and what we do, the Welcome Desk is here to help. The Welcome Desk Assistants are current students at the University, so they've got all the insider knowledge on everything that's going on. You can get in touch with the Welcome Desk team via: studentsunion@worc.ac.uk.

TOTUM

Make sure you download the TOTUM app as soon as you can. The app will give you some amazing deals and discounts at a whole load of national and local businesses. And you can also purchase a TOTUM membership to get even more exclusive offers.

Get in touch

Connect with us on social media
[@worcsu](https://www.instagram.com/worcsu)

Give us a call
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Drop us an email
studentsunion@worc.ac.uk

Check out our website
www.worcsu.com



ENJOY STUDENT LIFE

The Hangar

The Hangar is the place to come on campus to relax and unwind. There's always something going on, from student-run events to Disco Bungalow to fundraisers. And let's not forget the always popular Karaoke and Quiz Nights. We also have everything you could ever want from your campus bar – VKs, cocktails, mocktails, slush puppies and loads of other great weekly deals!

The Hangar is also available for you to book for your own events. Just email thehangar@worc.ac.uk or come in and see our Bar and Events team.

Covid-19 means things may be a little different this year, but The Hangar will still be open for business. We're committed to giving you as many great events as we do every year in a safe environment. Make sure you follow us on Facebook and Instagram at [@thehangarsu](https://www.instagram.com/thehangarsu) or visit our pages on the SU website for all the latest updates on what's going on.

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Events to look out for:



Semester 1:

Black History Month

Club and Society 'Give it a Go' (GIAG) sessions

Student Networks Launch

RAG Week

Battle of the Sports Clubs

Vintage Clothing Sales

University Mental Health Day

#TeamWorc ACTION Days

Repstival



Semester 2:

Refreshers Week

LGBTQ+ History Month

Full Time Officer Elections

Battle of the Societies

Student Volunteering Week

St Patrick's Day Party

Varsity (#RatherBeASauce)

Dissy Day

Big Worc Survey



Welcome to Worcester!

We haven't been able to give you a full Welcome Fair this year, so we're giving you the next best thing. Our Welcome to Worcester website is a year-long Welcome Fair with (almost) everything you'd expect to find at the physical Fair. You can find out all about the SU, key University services, volunteering opportunities, and all the best local businesses in Worcestershire.



Where to find us

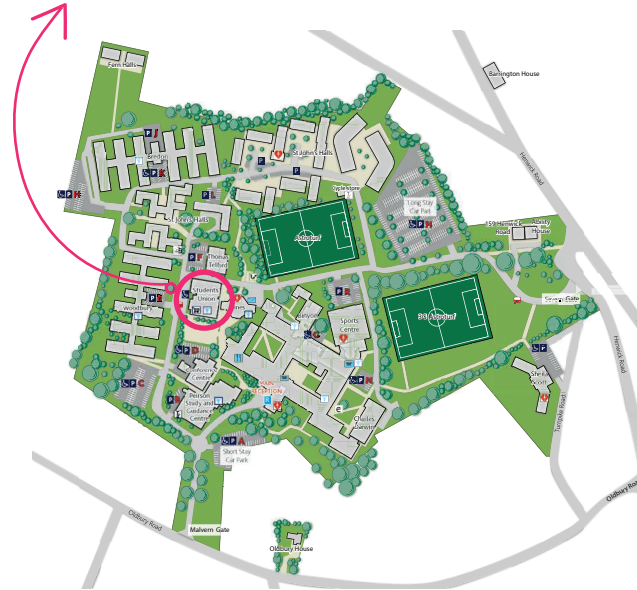
Campuses

St John's Campus

Our main base is at St John's Campus in the Students' Union building. Here you can find you SU Officers and staff, along with the Welcome Desk, The Hangar and other various University outlets such as the Campus Shop and The Hangar Deli.

City Campus

Each week a dedicated member of SU staff is based in Charles Hastings Reception at City Campus to answer any questions you have. We also offer advice appointments at City Campus every week. You can also get involved with us at City Campus during our regular Campus Chats, or during campaigns such as Change Week and the Elections.



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