HistSoc Warwick is one of the largest and best-known societies on campus, last year reaching 867 members. As a society we pride ourselves on being diverse and inclusive, welcoming students from a range of degree disciplines, and as the new leaders we look forward to welcoming you into the society this year!

Our society not only provides careers and academic guidance to all students, through a range of guest speakers and a successful mentoring scheme, but also boasts some of the best socials, from Kasbah to Skool Dayz circles, and tours to Berlin, Prague, Budapest and Newcastle. In addition, this year HistSoc is expanding, with a larger charity section and the development of an umbrella society encompassing Medieval and History of Art societies. Plus to top all that off we are FREE to join so come and get involved today!

On behalf of the exec we would like to wish you all the best in your first year adventures, we are very excited to meet you all at our first socials and events of the year.
Meet the Exec

Anna Manfredi
President

Jamie Lee Jenkins
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Jollie Beadle
Treasurer & Secretary

Sam Fattorusso
Academic & Welfare

Lucy Heming
Careers & Alumni

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Richard Quarshie & Charlie May
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Thomas Newman
Medieval

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History of Art

Cameron Garrett & Jayaram Raghuveer
Social

Hannah Maylon and Conor Ruane
Tour

Antonia Marino & Michael Kynaston
Ball

Fred Newman & Daniela Mizzen
Sport

Watch this space! We will be recruiting our History of Art representative this term.
SOCIAL CALENDAR
AUTUMN TERM

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY SUNDAY
ONE TWO THREE FOUR FIVE SIX SEVEN EIGHT NINE TEN

SOCIETIES FAIR

ONE

WELCOME DRINKS

TWO

HISTSOC DOES KASBAH

THREE

DUCK QUIZ

FOUR

KENILWORTH FIREWORKS

FIVE

DOMESTIC TOUR

SIX

SMACK WITH I LOVE SMACK

SEVEN

HISTSOC GOES TO SNOBS BIRMINGHAM

EIGHT

Exact week TBC

NINE

CHRISTMAS MEAL

TEN

HISTSOC CIRCLES SKOOL DAYZ

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ACADEMIC
AUTUMN TERM

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY SUNDAY
ONE TWO THREE FOUR FIVE SIX SEVEN EIGHT NINE TEN

SPORTS TRIALS

ONE

TeachFirst CV WORKSHOP

TWO

MENTOR MEETINGS

THREE

RBS APPLICATION SKILLS WORKSHOP

FOUR

Plus many more exciting events yet to be announced!
What We Do

SOCIALS

At HistSoc, we really do know how to party like it's 1999! We have some excellent social events, coordinated by our God-like Social Secretaries!

We're going to hit all the local joints – Kasbah, Neon and Smack – as well as going further afield (Snobs, Birmingham). And how could we forget Warwick's very-own Skool Dayz? We will be there with guaranteed circling (don't worry, you'll learn) beforehand! Our less wild and sober socials will include themed socials and local excursions to learn more about the history of the local area.

"We plan to use socials to integrate the society and bridge divisions between the year groups – coffee mornings for the mentor scheme, charity nights out, a pre-tour circle and more!" Jayaram

"I'd advise freshers to talk to older students as whilst they may seem totally dissertation driven, they will have plenty of advice and know of interesting opportunities - I did this and ended up spending my summers working at Buckingham Palace!" Cameron

SPORTS

We take Sport really seriously at HistSoc. As such, we have a number of excellent football and netball teams competing in Society leagues! We've had major successes in the past and our new Sports Officers hope to continue the good fortune!

If you've got the skills, come along to tryouts at the beginning of Term 1 and keep an eye on our social media platforms for more info.

"I'm really looking forward to developing the success of sport within HistSoc and I'm excited about the new sporting talent joining in October. I wouldn't say I'm the best societies football manager, but I'm in the top one!" Fred

"The netball team has a fun and casual attitude which means that it's open to everyone of every ability. Please come along to our first training sessions. Looking forward to meeting you!" Daniela
Ever popular and hotly anticipated, HistSoc runs both a foreign and a domestic tour each year. Previous destinations have included Prague, Budapest, Berlin and Newcastle, with this year’s locations yet to be announced. The trips have everything from fantastic city tours to exhilarating nightlife and promise to be one of the most unforgettable experiences of your university life. Keep your eyes peeled for more info!

"I was a Freshers Rep last year, and being part of the society I found myself embraced by the HistSoc family, it was definitely made my first year even more memorable! HistSoc events are a great way to get to know and to form closer bonds with your course mates, whether through sport, socials, and especially on Tour! Therefore I encourage as many people as possible to get involved and to join this network of friends to generally have a laugh with!" Hannah

The History Ball is one of the biggest events on the calendar. It always proves to be a night of guaranteed fun, with a chance to dress up, mix with fellow students, eat good food and have a few drinks. Last year’s theme was the Orient Express, and boasted a pick and mix, a Krispy Kreme tower, champagne on arrival, wine on the table and much more! Our ball secs have something equally exciting up their sleeves this year and tickets go quick, so keep your eyes peeled for ticket announcements in the Spring Term!

"Our plan for the Ball this year is to make it the biggest and best value for money which HistSoc has done yet!" Michael

HistSoc had a stellar year for charity fundraising in 2015/16, raising just under £4,000 for Rays of Sunshine. We’ve seen great participation from members – everything from running the London Marathon to doing a skydive! And we want to keep the momentum going this year, by supporting more charities, putting on a dedicated Charities Week and with your help raise more than ever before!

"People should definitely get involved in this side of the society as it not only enriches the lives of those in need but also our own, as it develops many essential skills and allows you to give back to the community!" Elenya
ACADEMIC & WELFARE

We've also got you covered on the academic side! We'll be there to support you through essay workshops, module fairs and guest sessions outside of the department’s timetable. We also run a mentoring scheme, which means you'll never be lost for advice or guidance on essays! If you're interested in having a second year mentor, get in touch with Sam once you know your module allocations and we will match you up. Last year we hosted a variety of guest speakers, including prize-winning historian Richard Vinen and Holocaust survivor Susi Bechhofer; prepare for even bigger and better appearances in the year to come!

"Anytime, anywhere, I'm there to support you!"  Sam

CAREERS & ALUMNI

At HistSoc, we actively try to improve History students’ understanding of the value of their degree and provide guidance that will help you to get employed. We've hosted a lot of career-focused events in the past with big names such as RBS and Clifford Chance. This year, we're going to bring you a variety of careers events from our sponsors and other companies, with a Teach First CV workshop already lined up for Tuesday 18th October and an RBS event during Term 1! Furthermore, here at HistSoc we run a large alumni network to ensure that, even once you've graduated, you can always remain a part of the society!

"I'm looking forward to expanding careers at HistSoc so there's something for everyone!"  Lucy

TREASURER

Placed in charge of securing sponsorship and allocating funds to the society, our Treasurer ensures that we have the money to deliver on all the fun and exciting events we have planned across the year!

"This year I hope to get the best out of our sponsors through career talks and subsidies for social events!"  Jollie

MARKETING

As well as bringing you this awesome booklet the Marketing and Communications Officers are in charge of keeping everyone up to date with society events in the weekly newsletters, via our social media accounts or on the website. In short, if anything’s happening we’ll make sure you know about it!
‘A tale is half told if one man tells it’ - Grettir’s Saga

Warwick Medieval Society helps tell the Medieval History popular culture usually ignores: a tale of rich cultural interactions, great learning and people power. We’re also here to help you do things like learn to fight and sow like a twelfth century peasant. Newly reinvigorated as a branch of Histsoc, this year we aim to put on a programme of Medieval themed events to stimulate thought and to provide you with new opportunities to have fun, not just in an academic way!

We will primarily run a series of guest speaker talks from renowned experts in Medieval history, which will complement and expand on the first year Medieval World module. We have links to a national Norman re-enactment society, which allows students to experience authentic twelfth century combat and craft activities, and we are striving for more ways to bring similar pursuits to Warwick. Trips to local historical sites like the amazing Warwick Castle are also being planned for this year. We may even be able to fit in a few of our Medieval themed bar crawls! Join us and have your own tale to tell.

Warwick History of Art Society brings together all students with an interest in art, providing a platform for discussion, discoveries and entertainment in a world so focused on visual culture. As a fledgling society, newly expanding under the HistSoc umbrella, we have many exciting and experimental ideas for this year, including a consultation workshop for students who go to Venice, careers advice and a mentorship scheme. We also plan to get actively involved in fundraising for art-based charities, particularly Art Therapy without Borders and the Teapot Trust Charity.

For the adventurous among us who wish to venture off campus, we have fostered ties with the Herbert Gallery in Coventry and Compton Verney near Stratford for local day trips, whilst later in the year we have more ambitious plans to stray even further afield to TATE Liverpool and London! Alongside this we also offer a series of speaker talks from both artists and art historians and, perhaps most crucially, throw some seriously great themed parties! With opportunities to meet new people, expand your knowledge of art history and write for our up-and-coming blog, join us to discover the world of art!
Top Tips for 1st Year Survival

1. **ENJOY FRESHERS!** Get stuck in! It's your first taste of uni life and it will stay with you forever. Make those memories!

2. Join as many clubs and societies as you like (including HistSoc, obviously!) It's a great way to socialise, make new friends and provide good networking opportunities. Plus, if you want to get even more involved with all things HistSoc in your first year make sure you apply for our Freshers' Representative positions!

3. **Stay Healthy!** Trust us – the urge to sit around and eat unhealthily is strong (especially during Freshers and exam season). Stay active – join a gym, join a sports club or get involved with one of our HistSoc teams!

4. **Cook!** Warwick’s self-catering gives you the chance to learn how to cook simple and easy meals. Don’t just stick to Pot Noodles and toast - relish the opportunity!

5. **Avoid procrastination** (as much as possible) – the stakes are higher at university. First year may not count but try not to leave things to the last minute. Neutralising all that anxiety and stress will make you feel so much better and prevent the much dreaded all-nighter.

6. **Sign up for a HistSoc mentor at the start of term** and don’t be afraid to ask for help. If you feel like you’re drowning in work or have no idea where to start on an assignment you can always ask your tutor; it’s what they’re there for.

7. **Don’t turn nocturnal!** Once the madness of Freshers is over, try and get that sleep in – you’ll thank us later.

"I'd suggest to freshers to get involved with the society as soon as possible because I was a bit slow to do so and regret that now." Conor Ruane

"My advice for freshers is to just enjoy first year and don't worry too much about work as you only need to pass! It should be the best and most fun year of your lives!" Michael Kynaston

"Don't be afraid to go try out new, different societies. Even if you're going alone, there will be loads of other people who are in the same boat!" Jollie Beadle

"Don't get too stressed about essays and exams in your first year, especially if it doesn't count. Focus more on settling in, making friends and just enjoying your first year - you have the rest of your time at university to have to worry about work!" Lucy Heming

"Don't worry if you feel upset or overwhelmed every so often because it's only natural. There is a massive hype for uni but sometimes all you need is netflix and chocolate in bed; it's not all about the nights out." Daniela Mizzen

"Don't panic in your first year, but don't take it too casually, use your time as freshers wisely both to set good habits and to enjoy yourself!" Sam Fattorusso
Getting Involved

We look forward to meeting you at our first events of the year, but in the meantime make sure you keep up to date with all things HistSoc.

Join the society: www.warwicksu.com/societies/historySoc/

Follow our blog: www.warwickhistsoc.wordpress.com

Like us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/HistSocWarwickUni

Join the Freshers group on Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/HistoryFreshersWarwickUni201617

Follow us on Twitter: @histsocwarwick

Follow us on Instagram: warwickhistsoc

Add us on Snapchat: histsocwarwick

Visit our website: http://histsocwarwick.co.uk/

Applications for our Freshers' Representatives will be opening in the next few weeks, keep your eyes peeled on our social media platforms for further information.