

Your Union

We're here for you

Activities
Events
Representation
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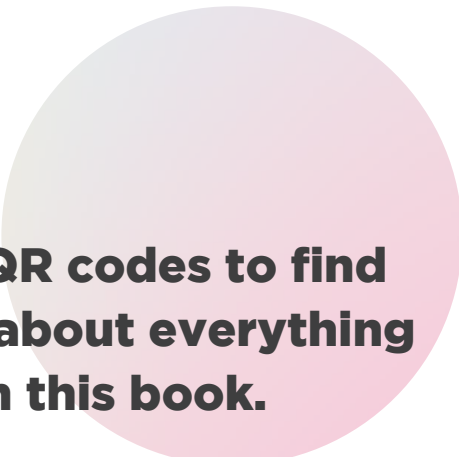


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UNIVERSITY OF ST ANDREWS STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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About Us

The University of St Andrews Students' Association (aka **Your Union**) is independent from the University. We work to support students through: **Representation**, **Support**, **Activities** and **Spaces**. Here's a few things to know about us:

- We aim to be your home away from home, a space to feel comfortable and part of a community. We're here to help you through the tough moments and celebrate the good times.
- Elected President and Student Officers represent students to the University and beyond.
- We are governed by a Board of Trustees.
- All students are members of Your Union, automatically giving you access to all our services.
- Our Advocacy and Advice Service offers free independent advice.
- We provide funding and support for student activities.
- We work closely with School Presidents and Educational Representatives, providing training and support to more than 406 Class Representatives.
- We put on some pretty great events. From weekly club nights to all-building parties and even your Graduation Ball!
- We have two bars, two cafés, a nightclub, and a fully equipped performance space. Not to mention lots of rooms for student groups to meet as well as spaces to revise.
- We're a registered charity so every penny spent in the Union helps funding all our activities and services.
- Our aim is to make your university experience as rewarding and enjoyable as possible.

Your President Team

Your Union President Team are elected, paid positions, held by students taking a year out from studying or have just graduated. They work for and lead Your Union.

Full-time President Team pictured left to right:

Amy Elvins, President of Union Affairs

Amy amplifies your voice, improves Union services, and supports leaders to drive meaningful student change.

Emily Bannister, President of Education

Emily represents you when campaigning for improvements to academics.

Robert 'RoMo' Moran, President of Student Opportunities

RoMo supports students with activities & development outside of their studies.

Bartosz Rogala, President of Wellbeing and Community

Bartosz champions student health, diversity, and inclusion.

We also have two part-time Postgraduate Presidents. New PG Presidents will be elected in October this year. Your 2025 / 2026 PG Presidents pictured left to right:

Pierluigi Maffi - Postgraduate Taught President

Pierluigi represents and leads the PGT Rep system.

Amy Hopkins - Postgraduate Research President

Amy represents and leads the PGR Rep system.



Follow your Exec on instagram: @yourunionpresidents

Activities & Societies

“There’s a huge number of ways you can get involved with life in St Andrews and Your Union.”

Societies

We have nearly 200 affiliated societies. They run all kinds of activities, covering almost anything you can think of - academic, charitable, cultural, faith, political, artistic and recreational.

Whether you're interested in ballroom, bees or books we've got something for you.

Activities and Societies Team

Supporting, developing, and representing the hundreds of student-led activities that make St Andrews what it is.

The Activities & Societies Team is led by the Vice-President of Student Opportunities: Activities & Societies (VP Socs) and brings together elected student representatives and volunteers working across different areas of student activity.

By working together, the Team aims to make student-led activity more connected, accessible, and sustainable.



Mermaids Social



Union Debating Society

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Representation Networks & Forums

We are your voice! Our elected Officers and Representation Networks strive to make sure you are heard at a local, national and even international level.

Representation Networks:

- Accommodation
- BAME Students' Network
- Carers, Commuters, Mature and Flexible Learners Forum
- Disabled Students' Network (DSN)
- Education Committee (EduCom)
- Environment
- International Students' Network
- Saints LGBT+



Reclaim The Night 2025

Activities Forum 2026

Forums:

Forums are a space for all students to raise issues that are important to them.

They are our official democratic structures to ensure student voice is heard. These forums include - education, opportunities, wellbeing & community and union affairs. As well as our All Student Forum which focuses on student wide issues.

All students are welcome to attend any Forum and are encouraged to do so.



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Funding

We financially support all kinds of activities, whether through societies or individual efforts.

- Activities Grant-It
- Education Grant-It
- Employability Grant-It
- Wellbeing & Community Grant-It
- PG - Researcher Development Fund
- University's Anthony Tudor Fund
- University's Student Activities Fund
- University Rector's Fund (for internships)

Recognition

By getting involved in Your Union, you become a student volunteer.

The **Volunteer Recognition Scheme** supports and celebrates student volunteers by allowing them to log their volunteering hours, build skills for the future, and gain recognition of their achievements on their Higher Education Achievement Report upon graduation.

We also host a number of **awards ceremonies** to highlight and celebrate the contributions of our outstanding students.



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One Union Awards 2026

Academic Representation

The **President of Education and President of Union Affairs** sit on **University Court**, the governing body of the University.

Our full-time **Student Advocacy Co-ordinator** is completely independent from the University. They're here to support and advise you on everything from academic alerts and appeals to discipline cases. (Find out more on page 10.)

The **Education Committee** (EduCom) represents student on education issues, in conjunction with the University and beyond.

We have a **full-time Academic Representation Co-ordinator**.

We train and support **406 Class and Postgraduate Representatives**.

The **School Presidents' Forum** allows academic representatives to discuss issues with members of the Proctor's Office.

Class and Postgrad Reps help to enhance learning, teaching, and research. They also advocate on **library and employability issues**.



Elections

It's never too early to think about **running for an elected position within Your Union.**

Our elections in March have around **60** positions available. These include:

- Full-time Presidents
- Student Representatives
- School and Department Presidents

Any student can stand in the election.

If you don't fancy standing for a position make sure you **vote** - your vote truly will make a difference to your future!

Your Voice, Your Vote



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**STUDENTS'
ASSOCIATION
ELECTIONS**

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Support

Our support pages on our website provide access to a wide range of resources designed to help with almost any issue. These include student-led Networks, University and Union support services, online tools, and external organisations. Below is an overview of some of the services available:

Advocacy and Advice

We can support you with a range of issues like academic appeals, academic misconduct, non-academic misconduct, fitness to practice, stage 1 and 2 appeals, entry to honours, s-coding, and termination of studies.

Accommodation

Our Accommodation Network and Advocacy and Advice Service are here to support you with the more challenging aspects of housing. The Student Advocacy Co-ordinator can check your lease, advise you on your rights, and assist with disputes involving landlords, flatmates, or neighbours. Learn more about finding accommodation and flatmates, who represents you on housing issues, and what resources and events are available on our support webpages.

Cost of Living

Our Cost of Living Guide shares information on resources available to support you. This includes: discounted food and travel, part-time work opportunities, loans and scholarships, energy saving tips, budgeting advice, resources for parents and carers, support services, and more.

Campus Larder

The Campus Larder provides students who are struggling during the cost-of-living crisis with free food and essential items. It's open to all students and staff during term-time on the top floor of the Union. Simply book a slot in advance.





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Employability Team

New in 2026/27, the Employability Team is led by the Vice-President of Student Opportunities: Employability (VP Employability) and provides a student-led route for identifying gaps in employability provision, developing new initiatives, and ensuring that students have a voice in how careers support is delivered at St Andrews.

Safe Nights Out

We've got lots of information about safe nights out on our support web pages. Did you know we have a **quiet room** in case you need to decompress, sit down, take medication, or call friends on a night out? We use **Ask for Angela** so if you are in an uncomfortable situation, simply ask a member of bar staff or customer safety staff for Angela. They can help you out of the area and into a taxi without putting you in an unsafe situation.

Sexual Health

Your Union provides free condoms through reception, Condom Reps, and halls. We offer consent education and sexual health resources, including information on contraception, STIs and unplanned pregnancy.

StAnd Together

StAnd Together is a joint initiative between the Union and the University focused on student-led peer education and support.

It encompasses:

- **Got Support** - peer support scheme
- **Got Consent** - gender-based violence prevention
- **Got Limits** - drugs and alcohol awareness

Mental Health Agreement

Your Union works with the University on the Student Mental Health Agreement, shaped by student feedback to set wellbeing priorities.

It provides resources and signposting on issues such as self-harm, eating difficulties, alcohol and drug use, and imposter phenomenon, while also offering free consent and wellbeing workshops, peer support, and links to specialist services.

Advocacy & Advice

Our Advocacy and Advice service offers **free, impartial, non-judgemental, confidential, and person-centred support**. It's goal is to help you understand the University's policies and procedures, and to guide you through them so you can make informed decisions based on your specific circumstances.

We are part of the Union and are independent from the University.

Common topics:

- **Academic Appeals**
- **Academic and Non-Academic Misconduct**
- **S-Coding**
- **Disability-Related Processes**
- **Accommodation-Related Issues**
- **Complaints**
- **And more**



Contact us and find out more

We've got resources and more information about advice available on our website.

Contact us: UnionAdvocacy@st-andrews.ac.uk



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Services

Find out more about our general services which cover everything from **parcel deliveries** to **free condoms**.

Printing

If you are part of a society or network we can help with printing items such as flyers and large format posters. Email: UnionComms@st-andrews.ac.uk if you have any questions. We also have a colour Uniprint printer in the building.

Publicity

Need help advertising your event or society? Our website has some really helpful information, including how to do an instagram takeover on our account.

Study Space

There are lots of spaces available in the Union, ask at reception about hiring a room for studying or hang out on the top floor.

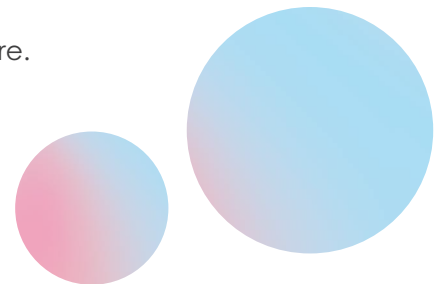
Hire a Space

We have a unique selection of spaces on offer, each with their own style and identity and are perfect for hosting events.

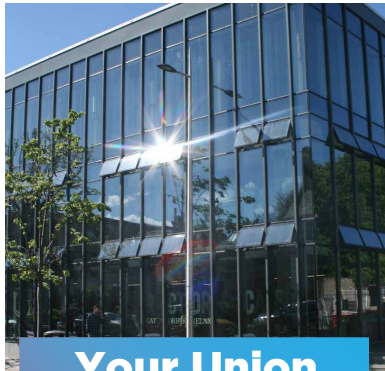
Visit our website for information about our services, spaces and room hire.



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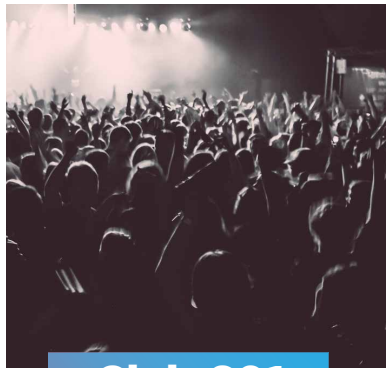
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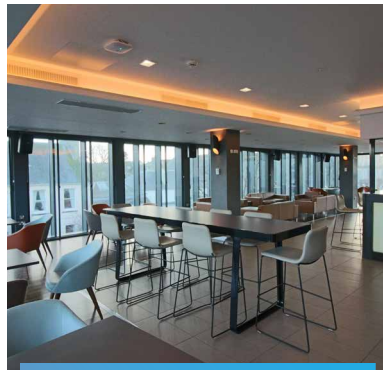
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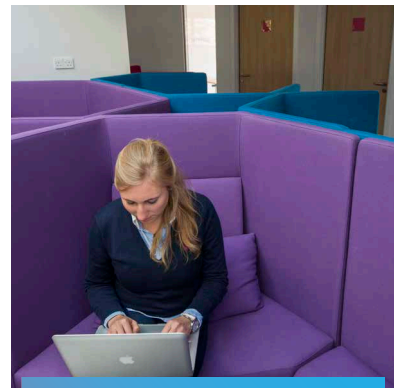
Society Spaces



Club 601



Beacon Bar



Study Spaces



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UNION PASSES



Passes are the smartest, cheapest and easiest way to experience Union events.



Scan here for FREE unlimited access to all our weekly nights out all year long, plus all building events including:

- Halloween
 - Winter Wonderland
 - St. Patrick's Day
- ...and so much more!***

Feeling Hungry?

Visit our cafés for great value food.

We've got great meal deals on offer and you can get **10% off** hot drinks when you bring your reusable cup to our cafés.

View our menus and find out more online.

**THE OLD UNION
COFFEE SHOP**
• THE UNIVERSITY OF ST ANDREWS STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION •



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EAT • DRINK • RELAX



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THE RED GOWN

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Grand Opening September 2026



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more info**

Students' Union, St Mary's Place, St Andrews, KY16 9UZ

Your Presidents' Promise

As a team, we are committed to strengthening students' connection to the Union by being visible, accessible and transparent in everything we do. Our aim is to ensure that every student feels informed, heard, and confident in the role the Union plays during their time at University.



PIZZA, DRINK & SIDE

£5.99

UNTIL 4PM

PICK ONE



T&Cs apply.



Never miss a minute...

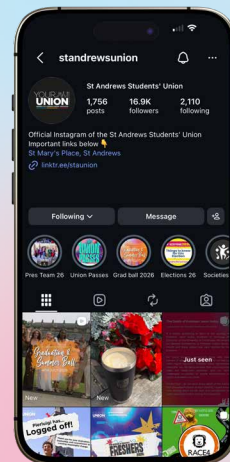
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