

TREVELYAN COLLEGE JCR HANDBOOK 2023



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Committees

Committees are a way for you to get involved in shaping the student experience here at Trevs. They are there to help relay the thoughts and feelings of the undergraduates to the exec so that changes can be made to the JCR that will best accommodate everyone! The most important thing, however, is that anyone can apply to be on a committee, and they are the most effective way to bring about change and get involved! There are many committees. Some involve being democratically elected, while others involve writing an application to the committee chair. Elected JCR committee positions will open in Michaelmas Term (First Term) and this is the earliest available opportunity for 1st Year students to get involved within the JCR. The JCR Chair (Akshita Singh) will keep you informed when the elections open.

Just as the JCR is a subsection of the College, the committees are split into two subsections:

JCR Level Committees

JCR level committees are packed with undergrads from Trevs who shape and inform the student experience. This could be you right away in the First Term!

JCR Committee

JCR Comm. is the ideas box for the JCR. We strive to gauge your opinions on Trevs, find out what you want to change and help decide who receives College Colours (an award given to students for excellent contribution to Trevs and wider University life).



Chaired by the Vice President: trevelyan.vicepresident@durham.ac.uk.

Finance Committee

Fin. Comm. normally meets around three times a term, and helps decide where the JCR's money is spent. For example, they approve applications from societies and grant money to individual students for university participation and charitable expeditions.



Chaired by the Treasurer: trevelyan.treasurer@durham.ac.uk.

Social Committee

The Social Committee is one of the most involved committees there is here at Trevs. Social Committee is made up of a team of committed and innovative people across all year groups working with the Social Chair to plan some of the main College events throughout the year.



Chaired by the Social Chair: patricia.moreno-gonzalez@durham.ac.uk

Buttery Committee

Butt. Comm. is a team of 6 students who are responsible for running all aspects of the Shop and the Toastie Bar. If you are interested in working in the Buttery, they are always happy to answer any questions you have!

Chaired by the Buttery Chair: trevs.buttery@durham.ac.uk



Welfare Campaigns Committee

The Welfare Campaigns Committee (WCC) is attended by the JCR Welfare Officers, Assistant Welfare Officer(s), LGBTQ+ Rep(s), Students With Disabilities Rep, International Students' Rep, POC Rep, Working Class Students' Rep, Livers Out Rep, and seven elected members. The Committee exists to organise and run welfare campaigns, which happen throughout the year. Past campaigns have included alcohol awareness, and LGBTQ+ awareness week. In the third term, there is a stress-less campaign run throughout the exam period.

Chaired by the Welfare Officers: trevelyan.welfare@durham.ac.uk



Tech Committee

Tech. Comm. is responsible for the set up and running of any tech at events, such as Open Mic Unpluggeds, Informal Ball, Trevs Day and Summer Ball. They also run a hires service, hiring Trevs equipment to other Colleges.

Chaired by the Tech Manager: henry.laughton@durham.ac.uk



Steering Committee

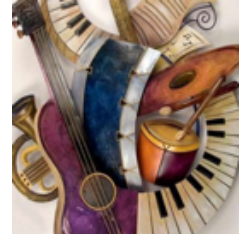
Steering Comm. is responsible for ensuring the accountability of the Chair. They also act as Returning Officers in JCR elections; they help set up JCR meetings and meet regularly to promote democracy within Trevs, discuss elections, issues, and constitutional affairs.

Chaired by the JCR Chair: akshita.singh@durham.ac.uk



Live Music Committee

This committee is made up of the Presidents of every Trevs-ratified Musical or Performing Arts Society, alongside the Tech Manager, JCR President and the JCR and MCR Music Reps. Chaired by the JCR Music Reps, we update each other about events and goings-on in Trevs Music, as well as Durham Music on the whole. We also discuss potential changes or improvements to aspects of our music system and decide on where we spend money on extra equipment



Chaired by the Music Reps: guet.s.leung@durham.ac.uk & daniel.wattis@durham.ac.uk

Ball Committee

The Ball Committee is responsible for running and creating the biggest event of the year - Summer Ball! They assist the Ball Chair in choosing the venue and deciding the theme, as well as selecting the music acts and planning the timetable. Ball Comm. members are elected at the Ball Chair's discretion.



Chaired by the Ball Chair: beatrice.nicastro@durham.ac.uk

International Events Committee

The International Events Committee organises and runs various events related to a variety of cultures throughout the year. From Diwali to Lunar New Year, these programs aim to put on a display of the amazing diversity of Trevs. They run events to help the Trevs Community discover the world through different cultures.



Chaired by the International Rep: kwan.y.fung@durham.ac.uk

Environment Committee

The Environment Committee is an open group within the wider community of Trevs. Our goal is to promote environmentally sustainable ways of life - for the University, for College and for the individuals - while raising awareness on the critical situation of our planet and the impact that our actions have. As a consequence, we have to be committed on many fronts. On one side, there is the continuous interaction with Uni and College administrative staff. On the other hand, there is the organisation of events and activities for the people of College.



Chaired by the Environment Officer: rosie.rochester@durham.ac.uk

Charity Committee

We are focused on raising money and awareness for amazing and worthwhile causes both within the local community and across the world. Trevs has proudly been the most 'charitable College' in Durham University for the last few years consecutively. Although we are College-based, we do also liaise with the university-wide DUCK (Durham University Charities Kommittee), giving you the opportunity to volunteer abroad with DUCK Expeditions.



Throughout the year the committee organises and runs a number of events, including Charity Ball, Trevs Super Couples, Ultimate Societies and Charity Dinner, and we've raised money for Mind, Refugee Action and Great North Air Ambulance to name a few charities. Absolutely everyone is welcome at committee meetings, so come along!

Chaired by the Charity Officers: robert.mould@durham.ac.uk & richard.rathmell@durham.ac.uk

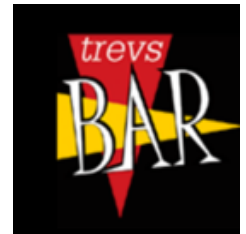
College Level Committees

These committees involve working with College Officers to develop and inform the student experience in College through cultural benefits to all Common Rooms alike. They often revolve around how the JCR and the College as a whole can work together to maximise the use of facilities such as College musical instruments or artwork

Senior Servers' Committee

The SSC runs Trevs Bar. They ensure that everything runs smoothly on a night and keep the bar clean and well stocked!

Chaired by the Bar Sabb: trevelyan.bar@durham.ac.uk



Visual Arts Committee

Responsible for visual arts activities in College. Run the Julian Trevelyan Art Committee in Epiphany Term. Open to all new members and welcomes anyone interested!

Chaired by the Art Rep



Catering Committee

Catering committee is a committee that comes together once a term to discuss food in College and formal food as well. It comprises mainly freshers and involves getting your opinions voiced on what you do and don't like in College.



Chaired by the Services Officer: trevelyan.services@durham.ac.uk

International Community

Trevs is fortunate to be home to students from all over the world. From Australia to Canada, to Thailand and Ecuador, to Norway and China, international students make the Trevelyan College community a diverse and charming place. Hence, in an attempt to appreciate all that the international community at Trevs has to offer, we run a series of events throughout the year celebrating themed cultural events such as: Diwali, Day of the Dead, Lunar New Year, and Eurovision. The international community in Trevs helps the rich tapestry of the College to stand out and it also provides every member with the opportunity to share as much of their culture as they can. We want Trevs to be your home away from home.

The College Parenting Scheme

The College Parenting Scheme is a peer mentoring system where first-year students are assigned “parents”, who are Trevs students from other years. Your parents are people you can turn to throughout your time at university for support. Often your parents will study the same subject with you so they can help you navigate the structure of your department and give their personal experience on certain modules. Your college family offers a friendly & social structure for you to get to know your peers and parents, it is a key part of the Trevs community and your support network as Trevs students. Many students elect to become parents at the end of their 1st or 2nd year, strengthening the community as the generations build! More information will be available at the start of the academic year. If you have any questions you can contact George Little at trevelyan.president@durham.ac.uk.

Outreach Project

The Outreach Project aims to connect Durham students with the wider local community. It's a great opportunity to get involved with student volunteering, work with local organisations as well as a fantastic way to meet many new and amazing people, in and out of Trevs. Whether you're interested in music, sports or teaching, the Outreach Project can help you further important skills such as leadership and organisation, whether through leading a project with a local Durham school, or just participating and building upon your volunteering experience.



The Outreach Project opens many doors into wider university life, such as closer involvement with SCA (Student Community Action), a student-led, community-focused organisation which responds to the needs of the local community, and to offer unique volunteer opportunities to Durham students. With 1000 student volunteers, there are a whole host of things to get involved in whether you want to work with children, adults or animals! SCA runs residential trips with children referred through social services, does dog walking for local residents, computer classes for the elderly, works with local schools, prisons and care homes and much, much more! Visit the SCA website at

www.scadurham.org.uk, or visit the Experience Durham Office in the Palatine Centre to get involved

Music

MUSIC REPRESENTATIVES CAROLYN LEUNG (SHE/HER) & DAN WATTIS (SHE/THEY)

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Music is part of what makes Trevelyan stand out from all of the other colleges here in Durham. This will give you a brief summary of the music here in Durham, and specifically in Trevelyan College. There is pretty much anything you could want available to you by being here. For more information on anything here, just come and find one or both of us and we will either answer your question or point you in the direction of someone who can do so better than us.



Trevelyan Societies

There are many different musical societies in Trevelyan, ranging from our resident Jazz Band, The Manglers, to an Orchestra, a Musical Theatre group, and choirs. We are so proud to have such a high standard of music here, especially given how small the college is. The Manglers is our resident Jazz Band, who not only perform for Trevelyan students, but also at events such as Society Balls. The Trevelyan College Chamber Choir and the Musical Theatre Society are the only fully auditioned ensemble in Trevelyan, and perform to a brilliant standard, but this should not deter you from auditioning as they are a really friendly bunch!

Trevelyan Concerts

We host a couple of concerts throughout the year which showcase all the music happening from the above societies. The Michaelmas concert is normally interspersed with Carols courtesy of our wonderful Choirs, A Cappella, Orchestra, and Flute Choir. There is also a concert in Epiphany term. These concerts are free (with potential snacks) and are normally held in the dining hall.

Live on the Hill

This is a special charity concert held in the first term. A jazz band is auditioned specially for this event, which is often a mix of jazz and popular music, all of which is arranged for the ensemble by students in Trevelyan. The cocktail bar formed specifically for this event with a range of one-off cocktails related to the theme of the event is part of what makes this event so special and famous amongst all colleges, not just inside Trevelyan!

Tech Comm

Tech Comm doesn't technically fall under our jurisdiction as Music Reps; we have Henry, our wonderful Technical Director to take the lead here. So many of the events in Trevelyan make use of a simply phenomenal range of tech, that many of the other colleges are jealous of!

Musicians' Dinner

One of the highlights of the year is a black-tie Musicians' dinner, where all the societies come together and have this special formal accompanied by Live Music. Awards are given to various people for their services to Trev's music, as well as a chance to socialise.

Unplugged

About once a month, we host a glorified open mic night, known as Unplugged. These comprise a whole range of music from singer-songwriters sitting on stage on their own performing their latest composition to jazz bands simply vibing or the newest big thing forming. Over the last year, we have watched multiple bands form, grow and then go on to play at a number of high profile (in Durham anyway) events. This is a chance for anyone to come and perform and will be advertised ahead of time so that you can sign up.

Trevstock

The final event of the year is always Trevstock. This is effectively an all-day version of Unplugged that happens after exams. The music runs from lunchtime right until the evening outside (if the weather is nice enough), and people can just come along, listen to some live music for free for a few hours. This is also a collaboration with Trevs Bar, where they showcase their lagers, beers and drinks.

University Music

This is again, not something we have any control over, but worth talking about anyway. There is so much going on at a university level, that it can be hard to fit everything in. There are over a dozen musicals performed each year outside of Trevs, as well as at least 7 different choirs, 6 different orchestras, and so much more. There are opportunities for everyone regardless of ability at the university level. Both the music reps at Trevs have also been heavily involved in many aspects of university level music at Durham, so feel free to ask us any questions on this, or anything else musical at all!

Musical Societies

Acapella

Trevs Acapella is an inclusive, non-auditioned place for everyone who wants to try out acapella to have some fun. We have weekly rehearsals which are relaxed, and we often have chill sessions after performances where we choose new music to learn. We mostly perform pop songs arranged for SATB and vocal percussion, but we also do our own arrangements, including a Disney Love Song Medley, We Don't Talk About Bruno, and old classics. Members are also free to suggest new pieces, which can be arranged to tailor-fit all vocal ranges. We attempt to perform at least twice a term in concerts and unplugged, we're also trying to bring back Christmas Caroling as well!



President: Cathy Zhou (sitong.zhou@durham.ac.uk)

Chamber Choir

Trevelyan College Chamber Choir is an auditioned choir consisting of 16 auditioned singers, with the aim of performing a wide variety of music from varying genres, from 15th Century Polyphony to contemporary compositions.

President: William O'Grady (william.t.o'grady@durham.ac.uk)



Flute Choir

The Trevelyan College Flute Choir is a place for flute enthusiasts to enjoy relaxed music rehearsals once a week. We are a non-auditioned society and welcome players of all abilities. We play a wide variety of music from film to classic, some of which is arranged by our MD or other members of Flute Choir including an arranged version of 'Lord of the Rings' and multiple Christmas carols. Our alto-flute has allowed us to expand our repertoire and members often have the opportunity to play it. Relaxed rehearsals help us work towards a high standard of performances at a variety of musical events, and, alongside socials, offer a great way to meet people from other years. Our main objective in Flute Choir is to ensure members enjoy themselves and continue playing the flute in a friendly and fun environment.



President: Zoe Read (zoe.read@durham.ac.uk)

The Manglers (Jazz)

Do you play a jazz instrument or enjoy singing jazz? Then we need you! We are The Manglers; Trevs' House Jazz Band! We play a variety of jazz, funk and pop tunes each week in Trevs. We play at gigs both in and out of Trevs, including at different balls and college days in summer term! We organise a tour each year and go to a different city to play gigs and busk, which is a highlight of the year! We are non-auditioned (apart from rhythm section and singers – but don't worry, auditions are very chilled). Come along and say hi at Trevs' Freshers Fair if you're interested, or check out our facebook page to see some clips before then. We have a friendly atmosphere in rehearsals and gigs and welcome all abilities, so please bring your instrument up to Durham, even if you're not sure – try it out!



President: Rowan Wood (rowan.j.wood@durham.ac.uk)

Trevelyan College Musical Society (TCMS)

Trevelyan College Musical Society is Trevs' only society based on producing musical theatre within college. We put on a variety of musicals such as last year's Gypsy which was nominated for a D'Oscar. The society focuses on fun, inclusive shows that build and foster an environment for all people, including those both new and old to musical theatre.

Producer: Lara Mulgrew (lara.m.mulgrew@durham.ac.uk)

Orchestra and Chamber Orchestra (TCOS)

Trevelyan College Orchestral Society is a non-auditioned orchestra, allowing musicians of all abilities to rehearse and perform in an orchestra. The Orchestra provides opportunities for musicians in Trevelyan College to expand their orchestral repertoire while playing pieces which are accessible but still challenging. The pieces cover a variety of genres, from contemporary to classical. The Orchestra has opportunities to perform in end-of-term concerts within college, as well as performances in conjunction with other collegiate orchestras. The orchestra ultimately provides a musical outlet for the students at Trevelyan College; the weekly rehearsals are relaxed, fun, and provide an opportunity for students to play on a regular basis.



President: Alice Martin (alice.martin@durham.ac.uk)

Trevle Clefs

Trevle Clefs is an inclusive and friendly environment for singers of all abilities to come together and have a good time. We're a non-audition choir so don't be afraid to get involved regardless of what experience you have! We rehearse once a week with a biscuit break in the middle to get to know each other. We really strive to build a fun community within our choir; this includes socials such as chill themed nights out along with matching themed challenges. We showcase what we've been working on throughout the term at the college concert that friends can come along to watch and enjoy the music. We typically get through 2 or 3 songs a term, singing a variety including Christmas - themed tunes, musicals and pop hits. All in all, if you're at all interested in singing then come along to one of our chill & fun practices, I'm sure you'll love it.



President: Phoebe Court (phoebe.r.court@durham.ac.uk)

REMINDER: YOU MUST BE A JCR MEMBER TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN THESE SOCIETIES

Sport

SPORT REPRESENTATIVE: PATRICK HUGHES (HE/HIM)

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Simply put, sports are one of the best ways to get involved in university life. For example, we have over 25 different teams competing in 20 different sports at Trevs, and each one allows people to spend hours doing something they love, meet new friends, and enjoy a variety of socials. Importantly, all of our teams represent a spectrum of interests and warmly welcome any level of experience in a student for any level of fun or competition on and off the pitch. The best thing I can say is don't spend your time avoiding sports; there are so many opportunities and Trevs would love you to experience football, pool, rugby, and anything in between!



Societies

Trevs offers around 20 different sports, such as football, rugby, rowing, pool, ultimate frisbee and many more! All clubs warmly welcome players of any ability. Regular training enables our teams to be successful and challenges players to improve their sporting ability, while socials provide opportunities for them to make friends in all year groups and bond over a common love for sport. Meet the captains and me at the Sports Fair in Freshers' Week to get a taste of what Trevs has to offer, and come along to some taster sessions! And if there is something we don't offer, let me know and I can help you set up a new society!

College Leagues

Trevs is home to many teams that play in Durham's highly competitive College leagues. Training and matches usually take place in the evening and at weekends at Maiden Castle, which has recently undergone a £32 million development. Wednesday afternoons are dedicated to University Sport. Team Durham offers all College sports at an elite level, as well as more niche activities that you can read about on the Team Durham website. College sport is less serious than Uni sport and competing in the College leagues as part of a Trevs team is a great way to spend a couple of hours at the weekend and meet other people with similar interests, whilst giving you something to do before College brunch

Festival Of Sport

Festival of Sport is a day filled with all College sports, with all College teams across the university competing against one another. It takes place after exam season and is the perfect way to relax and get back into a healthy sporting routine after exam stress. Similar to the Varsities, this is an event that is open to players as well as keen supporters.

Exciting and competitive matches aren't the only attraction of the day; we also have food trucks offering tasty snacks and drinks to keep you going.

Varsities

Trevelyan College hosts an annual Varsity against St Mary's College, where both Colleges go head-to-head and compete for the Varsity trophy. Tough competition, exciting games and keen supporters make the day what it is. Despite difficulties with organisation, Trevs won this year, and we hope to go back-to-back! Apart from the Trevs vs. Mary's Varsity, there is also the Loughborough and York Varsity. The former takes place in Durham in early February and is open to nine College sports, with Durham College teams taking on Loughborough. The latter is a much bigger event that takes place in York two weeks later, with more sports available and buses going back and forth all day. Varsities are true highlights of the sporting calendar, bringing together players and supporters in a showcase of sporting prowess.

Sports Dinner

The Sports Dinner is an annual testament to the sporting achievements of our College. Trevs was stellar in sports this year with Men's football B team being essentially undefeated in their division, whilst Men's A reached the floodlit semi-finals once again. Additionally, Trevs pool A team won the premier league for the first time in 2 decades; women's rugby made a massive impact by partnering with Grey College, and is now one of the top teams in the university; and other teams, such as Lacrosse and women's football, continue to give dominant performances in floodlit (the latter of which have won it all two out of the last three years). Expect a night of awards, drinks, and camaraderie to celebrate the sporting success that Trevelyan College continues to produce.

Other Ways to Get Involved

There is a lot more going on throughout the year, such as charity events like games and social competitions and casual Volleyball, Netball or Football tournaments. Additionally, there are Refreshers' Fairs to remind you of all the sports you could be missing out on, and open training sessions throughout the year. Depending on the club and team, College sport can be fun and relaxed or more competitive, and wherever you are on the sporting spectrum, you're bound to find something at Trevs you'll love!

Sports Societies

Badminton

Trevelyan College Badminton mainly holds its session in the JKH, the hall opposite the college, where students of mixed abilities come together to play. There are activities for everyone, from casual games like "around the world" to more competitive 21 Point matches. For the more committed players, we hold training sessions at either Maiden Castle or Freeman's Quay and play in the top league for college badminton. There are also other opportunities to play competitively, like in the festival of sports at the end of a year which is a tournament



against other colleges. If you are interested, please join the Facebook group “Trevelyan College Badminton” and come to some of the sessions to get a taste of the club.

President: Nathan Su (nathan.su@durham.ac.uk)

Basketball

Whether you are a complete beginner or the next LeBron James, you'll find a home with Trevelyan College Basketball Club (TCBBC). Our Men's team plays in Division 2, while our Women's team is in the Women's Prem. We train twice a week and have regular games. TCBBC is a relatively small club which means you'll get to know everyone right away. TCBBC joins up the Men's and Women's team for socials and sometimes training. At Trevelyan we have a full basketball court on the back lawn which means independent training is available. Even if you've never tried basketball in your life, meet us at the Freshers' Fair and give it a go, we are more than happy to show you the ropes. Everyone who joins will play and if you have any questions or need more information, please email us at thomas.buckton@durham.ac.uk.



President: Thomas Buckton (thomas.buckton@durham.ac.uk)

Boat Club

Trevelyan College Boat Club (TCBC) is one of the smaller rowing clubs in Durham, offering a competitive yet friendly environment. We offer a learn to row course in the first term where no experience is required to join. People who have rowed before can join the senior squad directly. We have a large fleet of boats including a top end Filippi 8, five coxed 4s, and smaller sculling boats. The club has both casual crews and competitive ones, so there's a spot for everybody. If you are interested in joining please feel free to trevelyan-boat.club@durham.ac.uk, and be sure to follow [@trevelyancollegebc](https://www.instagram.com/trevelyancollegebc) for update



contact us at
our Instagram

President: Edward Jex (edward.j.jex@durham.ac.uk)

Cheerleading

Trevelyan College Cheerleading is a fun sport welcome to everyone, from those with prior experience to those who have never done cheer before! The club is extremely inclusive and always trying new stunts to make every session interesting. We train in the JKH twice a week in preparation for the Intercollegiate Cheerleading Competition in term 2 and a Trevs Day showcase in term 3. Trevs Cheer is a close community and a great place to make new friends and enjoy lots of socials throughout the year.



President: Mary Tomblin (wmwd78@durham.ac.uk) & Megan Staley (megan.staley@durham.ac.uk)

Football (Men's)

Trevelyan college football club is one of the college's largest clubs, with around 100 members, made up of first-years all the way up to PHD students. We have 5 teams, with our As playing in the premiership, and our Es in the lowest division, and our other teams between. This means we have a place for people of all abilities, whether you are looking for competitive football or more casual Sunday league. We usually have a couple of training slots a week and then fixtures each weekend during term. Despite being a small college, we have always punched above our weight, making it to the semifinals of the Floodlit Cup and Football Trophy this year. However, we offer more than just football, with an active and inclusive social side of the club. We host socials at least every other week, which offer a chance to get to know people throughout the club.



President: Oliver Anslow (oliver.w.anslow@durham.ac.uk)

Football (Women's)

TCWFC is one of the best and most successful teams in Trevs. We are an inclusive and friendly team, welcoming players of all abilities with no trials needed; many players have never played on a full-size pitch before. We train every week and play matches most weekends to progress and develop as a team and provide strong opposition to other colleges. In the 2019/20 season we won our first floodlit cup trophy, which we retained until this year. We are currently merged with South college to give us more opportunity to participate. We don't take ourselves too seriously, both on and off the pitch and are excited to welcome new players to our team!



President: Anya Nash (anya.e.nash@durham.ac.uk)

Hockey (Men's)

We are the Trev's Men's Hockey team - We train once a week, have league and cup games throughout the year and also enter a mixed team into the Festival of Sport in the summer term. We are also welcoming of all ability levels, so even if you've never played hockey or are in the Durham University Hockey Team we would love to see you join the team

President: Matthew Fowler (matthew.fowler@durham.ac.uk)

Hockey (Women's)

The women's hockey at Trevelyan is a fantastic sport for anyone looking to get involved in the college while doing something fun and energetic. We train once a week, have

matches on the weekend and have lots of fun socials. All abilities are welcome so if you want to be involved with the best club in Trevs, come and join!

President: Tilly West (matilda.west@durham.ac.uk)

Mixed Lacrosse

Trevelyan College Mixed Lacrosse offers an engaging and enjoyable experience for all levels of lacrosse enthusiasts. The society hosts one fun training session per week, complemented by exciting weekend matches. Participants eagerly anticipate the spirited cup and floodlit tournament, adding an extra layer of enjoyment and camaraderie. What sets Trevelyan College Mixed Lacrosse apart is its inclusivity and relaxed atmosphere, making it an excellent choice for beginners and experienced players alike. This society prides itself on fostering a supportive environment where anyone can learn and join in the fun. Beyond the sporting activities, Trevelyan College Mixed Lacrosse boasts a vibrant social scene. Regular events bring members together, creating a strong sense of community and lasting friendships. The emphasis on socialising enhances the overall experience, making this society not just about lacrosse but also about building connections and sharing memorable moments off the field.



President: Robert Mould (robert.mould@durham.ac.uk)

Netball

Trevelyan College Netball Club is an all-female club catering to all different ability levels. We meet every Wednesday afternoon for our training sessions, which are a fun opportunity to come together with our friends to play the game and have a catch-up with teammates. Matches take place on the weekends and are a nice opportunity to further play the game in a more competitive setting against other college teams. Outside of the game, socials are held every fortnight giving the team the opportunity to strengthen their friendships, as well as let their hair down and have a break from their busy schedules

President: Abigail Peel (abigail.a.peel@durham.ac.uk)

Pool

TCPC is a club dedicated to promoting pool and good camaraderie within college. We have an active membership with players of varying skill levels which means you can always find someone of a similar level to play with, and our senior players are always willing to help others improve their game. We currently have four teams within the inter-college pool league for those who wish to play competitively and have a strong presence in the university Friendly Ladder for those who want to play more casually with their friends, within Trevs we also run a singles tournament where you can test your skills against others within college. Trevs has a vibrant pool culture, and we would love to see that continue so come



get involved whether you are a complete novice or a seasoned player it's always a laugh.

President: Sam McMahon (sam.mcmahon@durham.ac.uk)

Rounders

Trevelyan College Rounders club is an enjoyable and inclusive club that welcomes everyone to partake in during the summer term. The club plays in a series of laid-back matches against other colleges in the league, providing a nice opportunity to relax and socialise post-exams.



President: Dylan Tweats (dylan.tweats@durham.ac.uk)

Rugby (Men's)

TCRFC is an inclusive club, welcoming players of all abilities to join, even those who have never played before, and provides members with an opportunity to improve their technical skills as well as their fitness. We play in Division 1 of college rugby and pride ourselves on being a competitive team, even when we are facing some of the larger colleges, attracting large crowds for our matches in the Floodlit Cup. Off the pitch, we hold an optional social once a fortnight where club members can choose to get to know each other in a non-rugby capacity, as well as a tour abroad at the end of the year



President: Ben Rickard (ben.a.rickard@durham.ac.uk)

Rugby (Women's)

We are a friendly and inclusive Women's Rugby team who are here to tackle gender stereotypes and the opposition. Since last season we have combined with Grey Women's Rugby team to form Pegasus! This has allowed us to consistently put out a strong team and win matches! Most members have never played rugby before joining but with the help of our team of fantastic coaches, they will teach you everything from how to throw the ball to safely tackling. We hold taster sessions at the beginning of the year for people to try it out.

Our team is small but feisty and very much a family as we hold socials throughout the year to promote teamwork. We play mixed touch with the boy's team during the third term and last year went to Budapest for our Rugby Tour. With some impressive wins under our belt from last year, we are hoping this year to win both the trophy and the league!!!!



President: Elizabeth James (elizabeth.james2@durham.ac.uk) & Sophia Diggins (sophia.y.diggins@durham.ac.uk)

Running

The principle of running club is simple- once a week we go for a run. There is no competition or pressure, only running. It is a great way to meet new people and learn the local geography. We are inclusive and cater to all abilities. We are also completely free! Therefore, if you want to exercise at a reasonable price of 0, feel free to join running club

President: James Harwood (james.harwood@durham.ac.uk)

Squash

Whether you're a complete beginner or have played before, Trevs Squash is an opportunity to get involved. We have weekly training sessions and our men's and women's teams each have games most weekends against other college teams in the league system throughout the first and second term. There's also a cup competition in the third term that we put teams forward for as well as the chance to compete in the Festival of Sport at the end of the year. We're also a very social society, and plan to hold at least one social each term where we can spend some time together as a club and get to know each other even better.



President: Paul Seidenberg (paul.c.seidenberg @durham.ac.uk)

Tennis

Trevs tennis is a very open club, welcome to all abilities. We aim to do a few socials throughout the year to get everyone involved. Also, for those who have played before we have matches during the summer term in the premier league of college tennis. This is also open to those who attend training sessions and want to play competitively.

President: Oliver Bourne (oliver.bourne@durham.ac.uk) & Lizzie Beamish (elizabeth.beamish@durham.ac.uk)

Ultimate Frisbee

Ultimate Frisbee is a fun and fast pace mixed gender sport which almost nobody has played before they have come to university. Trevs Ultimate Frisbee (TUF) has one mixed team and allows absolutely anyone to participate in this relaxed and well-spirited sport, and for them to take it as seriously as they would like to. We have just been promoted to division one and next season aim to make it all the way to the top. We train once a week and have weekend matches, along with a variety of exciting socials each term, optional tournaments during the holidays and a chance to make some amazing friends. With the best team kit in Trevs (and the university), if you're interested in what we have to offer, why not grab a disc, and come along?



President: Isaac Williams (isaac.williams@durham.ac.uk)

Volleyball

Welcome to TCVC! The Trevelyan Volleyball Society is a group that promotes and encourages teamwork and friendship through playing volleyball. Anyone who is part of Trevelyan College can join. No past training or skill is needed. All sorts of players, whether beginners or advanced, will find a space for themselves in the club. Volleyball training will happen between once to twice a week during the first term. Later, as matches start, training may become more frequent under the request of members.

President: Freddie Farago (frederic.farago@durham.ac.uk) & Willow Young (willow.young@durham.ac.uk)

Additional Societies

Christian Union

We are a group of Christian students in Trevs seeking to share the good news of Jesus with everyone in our college. We are associated with Durham Intercollegiate Christian Union (DICCUCU) who exist to give every student in Durham the opportunity to hear and respond to the good news of Jesus Christ. We meet on Friday evenings for a time of meeting together around God's Word as a college before heading to the larger university CU meeting. We also have a real heart to love our college practically so aim to regularly put on outreach events which are always a fun time of sharing Jesus.



President: Sophie Dossor (sophie.dossor@durham.ac.uk)

Dance

Trevs Dance is a society for those wanting to try out a new style of dance or just have some fun dancing. There is a class each week of varying styles and abilities. We aim to put on an annual dance showcase in the Easter term giving Trevs students an opportunity to perform or showcase their own choreography. We are a beginner friendly society hoping to make dance more accessible for those who have never danced before.



President: Alysia Orbell (alysia.orbell@durham.ac.uk)

Games Society

Trevelyan College Games Society is a group of students dedicated to playing a variety of card, video, and board games within the college community. Our main aim is to provide an enjoyable experience to all members in a relaxed and friendly environment. We welcome anyone and everyone interested in games, regardless of past experience. We



host board game evenings every Saturday in the Undercroft, social deduction games every Tuesday in the Upper JCR, and host a variety of games-related events in college throughout the year.

President: Emily Wilkinson (emily.i.wilkinson@durham.ac.uk)

LGBTQ+ Society

Trevelyan College LGBTQ+ Society provides a place for queer and questioning people as well as allies to come together and celebrate as well as learn more about our community. We will provide many events throughout the year that everyone is welcome to join. The society aims to work with other LGBTQ+ societies and organisations within Durham to ensure the community continues to be a safe space for everyone. We also aim to educate people on parts of the LGBTQ+ community that they may not be familiar with.



President: Alysia Orbell (alysia.orbell@durham.ac.uk)

Nail Technician's Club

We look to encourage intra-collegiate socialisation and to bring equality to the great profession of Nail Art through removing the stigma of Nail Art being a purely feminine pastime by encouraging mixed-gender nail art. Ultimately we hope to be an open and friendly society that encourages people of all levels of interest and ability to be able to enjoy nail art, together as a part of a larger group, allowing for people to meet and learn from others



President: Imogen King (imogen.j.king@durham.ac.uk)

Sixth Side Theatre

Sixth Side Theatre Company! Trevelyan College's resident straight-play theatre company, putting on a range theatre across the year. Whether you're into acting, directing, stage managing, producing, being creative with lighting, sound and set – there is something for all! With opportunities for everyone, from those with no previous experience whatsoever to those with experience of the West End stage, this is your chance to become part of an exciting and dynamic society where you can learn new skills, have a fabulous time with new friends and always have something new to do with your spare time! Follow us on Facebook @SixthSideTheatreCompany or on Instagram @sixthsidetheatre so you never miss out on what we're up to and the huge variety of opportunities available to you in college.



President: Emilia Lewis (emilia.lewis@durham.ac.uk)

REMINDER: YOU MUST BE A JCR MEMBER TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN THESE SOCIETIES

Social Events

Some of the major events you can look forward to during your time here at Trevs! Social Committee has big plans, with bar nights, balls, and various Trevs related activities.

Michaelmas Term

Welcome and Orientation Week

Hey look, this is where we come in. Check the socials for more info to come. :)

International Events

Dia de los Muertos:

-Celebration for the Mexican 'Day of the Dead'. In the past activities have included sugar skull face painting and tamales making!

Diwali:

-Celebration for the Hindu 'Festival of Light' often involving Henna painting and rangoli drawing! Includes a formal and a bar night afterwards.

Live on the Hill

One of the major musical events at Trevs. This is one of our unique charity events with live music being played by our very own musicians. An occasion to wear your formal attire outside of formals and dance to one of the best jazz events in Durham!

Winter Ball

Included in the Platinum Pass; otherwise, tickets release closer to the event

One of the big Trevs events of the year. A fun, fancy dress night with different themes each year, hosted within Trevs. We have live music, food trucks, and themed activities! Past themes include masquerade and winter wonderland.

Epiphany Term

Charity Ball

A black tie ball in the name of charity that's typically hosted in an external location. The event has donated to many local charities in the past and helps Trevs to foster connections between the College and the local community.

International Events

Lunar New Year: Celebrating cultures from East and South East Asia with a formal and bar nights and plenty of themed activities during the night.

Trevs Night

Included in the Platinum Pass; otherwise, tickets release closer to the event

Another one of the big Trevs events. Live music, food trucks, activities, and photo booths.

Easter Term

Eurovision

Taking place in the midst of exam season, it's a celebration of international camaraderie and music, serving as the perfect revision break.

Trevs Day

An all-day celebration across Trevs with live music, activities, and extended bar hours. Come celebrate the end of exams and the beginning of Summer!

Summer Ball

Included in the Platinum Pass; otherwise, tickets release closer to the event.

The biggest event of the year and definitely one to look forward to! Normally held in an external location with rides, live music, and food trucks. You'll also have the chance to sign up for dinner before the festivities start. In the past, we've had a wide selection of entertainment, dodgems, magicians, parrots and more extreme rides for the brave!

Celebration of Pride Month

We held a fun, friendly (and free!) day of activities including rounders, tug of war, movie night and games. Great opportunity to meet queer people and allies and celebrate our LGBTQ+ community.

Trevstock

A day for Trevs' musicians to show their stuff and perform in the Quad. One of the main musical highlights here at Trevs, and one of the last major events in the academic year. All sorts of musicians and bands perform, from our Orchestra and Big Band to student-formed rock bands and more!



The Bar



I am proud to say that Trevs Bar is one of the best stocked and best run bars in Durham, mainly because our staff and patrons are genuinely invested in it and it forms a great communal hub right in the centre of college. This short section will take you through the bar's stock and its important role within college life, so you can really make the most of it throughout your time at Trevs.

Many people are surprised when they see the extent of the range of products on offer. We have a huge range of spirits, from craft gins and rums, to flavoured vodkas and shots - and our beloved 'miscellaneous shelf' is home to pretty much every liqueur you can think of! Alongside our standard range, we offer a special gin, rum and vodka of the week, which change on a regular basis so that there will always be something new to try. We were featured in a Palatinate article that praised our extensive range of whiskies and following the launch of our comprehensive cocktail and mocktail menu, we are always looking for new ways to expand our service.

On draught we have three lagers and a craft lager as standard, a rotating cask ale tap, two cider taps and two rotating craft cider taps, not forgetting the old faithful Guinness, without which no bar would be complete. Trevs Bar also has two well-loved fridges, dedicated exclusively to beer and cider, respectively. Our beer fridge is stocked with a huge variety ranging from craft lagers and IPAs to wheat beers, porters, and stouts, from small artisan breweries to more well-known brands like Beavertown and Brewdog. Similarly, the cider fridge hosts popular fruity and apple ciders, as well as craft cider specials. We have another fridge dedicated to wine, which is a popular choice for many on a formal night. We have a surprisingly big range of wines for a college bar, stocking more premium and sparkling wines (even Champagne!) and bottles that come in half and single-serve sizes if you are not wanting to buy a whole bottle.

In addition to our alcoholic products, we also offer a wide selection of non-alcoholic drinks. You'll find all your classic softies, as well as some more interesting artisan varieties including our hugely popular college mocktail. We are also one of the few



college bars to stock alcohol-free beer and not one, but two varieties of Seedlip non-alcoholic spirit.

However, if there is a product you would like to see behind the bar, just ask for it and I'll do my best to get it in! Some of the products that we currently sell were bought in specially after a customer request, and we're always looking for ways to make our stock more interesting. Moreover, because the bar runs as a service to college, we can keep our prices low. Draught products start from £2.50 and spirits from £1.70, and our premium products are only marginally more expensive, meaning that students can taste different products and learn what they like, without breaking the bank. One of the biggest things we try to push each year is promotion of our amazing stock, so that students are encouraged to buy better quality drinks rather than just what is cheapest.

Furthermore, the bar is used extensively for college events of all sizes and is a well-loved spatial hub within Trevs. After a Formal, the bar area is transformed into a dance floor, and is also the venue for Trevs' famous open mic nights about three times per term. At the end of the week, the bar hosts its weekly Sunday Night Quiz with chances to win prizes and a rollover cash jackpot, and there are also various charity cocktail nights that happen throughout the year. On a smaller scale, the bar is a great place to hold a society social and has been the start and finishing line of many socials in Durham.

Although the bar will quickly become a staple of college life for many, we are aware that this will be the first time that a lot of students will experience alcohol so freely and conveniently, and for some it will be the first time they experience alcohol at all. The bar is dedicated to being a safe space for everyone, so those who drink and those who do not can enjoy it equally. We have an Alcohol Awareness Officer who works closely with the Trevs Welfare team to promote safe, responsible drinking in college and all of our staff are fully trained to ensure the bar is enjoyed but not abused.



One thing that makes Trevs Bar, and all the college bars special when compared to bars in general, is that it is run entirely by students for the benefit of students. Everyone that you see working behind the bar is a Trevs student and I myself am a Trevs geology graduate who loved the bar so much I decided to stay another year to manage it full time. We take on a new cohort of Junior Servers every November, so if you're interested in working for the bar, I would encourage you to chat to the current staff and spend some time in the bar to get a feel for the place.

If you have any questions, please feel free to drop me an email at trevelyan.bar@durham.ac.uk or come and find me in and around the bar itself. I hope you have a great Freshers' Week and look forward to seeing you all in the bar soon!



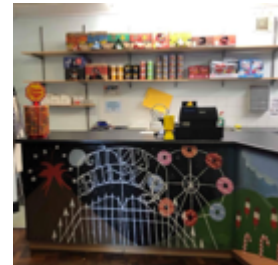
George Scholey
Bar Manager 2023/24



The Buttery

The Buttery houses the shop and toastie bar in Trevs, a facility run entirely by students, for the benefit of other students. The shop and toastie bar are open every evening in term time. You can find us behind the doors by the pool table, just outside the dining room.

Please come and say hello during Freshers' week when we are open. Not every college in Durham has a shop, let alone a toastie bar, so we are incredibly fortunate to have such a well-stocked amenity right on our doorstep in Trevs!



We offer a wide range of products which change all the time to suit your needs and suggestions. There is an enormous selection of edible goods like confectionery, snacks and more substantial ready meals, as well as a constantly evolving selection of essentials, such as toiletries, paracetamol and stamps. In the Buttery, you can also get some soft drinks and our freezer is stuffed with ice cream in the summer months. We are always trying to improve our stock by responding to requests, introducing healthier snacks, and widening our product range. As we are run for students' benefit, we are able to offer products at an incredibly reasonable cost, usually lower than in the rest of Durham!



Our toastie bar is open daily and our menu is extensive! Choose from white or brown bread (or upgrade to a toasted wrap), and top with anything from our wide selection of spreads and sauces, meats and vegetables, and of course, four different cheeses to choose from, to glue it all together. You can even try out a sweet

toastie, oozing with chocolate! Our Internal Events Manager works hard to keep things interesting, and you will often see new ingredients and toastie deals on our specials board. All toastie customers are entitled to a loyalty card, which gives you offers such as a free toastie once fully stamped. Look out for deals throughout the year, particularly in Freshers' week. Making a great toastie is all about creativity – the more experimental the better! If you can come up with something bizarre, you might even end up on our Toastie Wall of Fame!

The Buttery also owns a huge range of DVDs, from film classics to new releases and TV series. Additionally, we have a collection of board games which span from Risk to Poker. Any member of college is entitled to borrow a DVD or board game from us. Simply speak to the member of staff behind the till who will arrange this for you. Donations for borrowing from the collection are welcome, and the money which you donate is put back into buying more DVDs and games. Chat to our Media Officer if you want to recommend any new releases or classic games that we are missing.



The Buttery also offers its services at events within and outside college. Our machines have been hugely popular at events like Trevs Day and Summer Ball! We have also expanded this service to rent out at different events like other colleges' summer balls and college days. Look out for us at college events throughout the year!

As the Buttery is a service for students, feedback is essential. Let us know any ways we can improve – speak to the committee and we will be happy to listen! Social media is another great way to get in touch, so please like us on Facebook and follow our Instagram (@trevs.buttery) to get our latest news and updates. Feel free to contact one of the Buttery Committee members directly, whose faces and names are on the Buttery door. The Buttery can only evolve with your feedback, so make sure that you have your say!

Working at the Buttery is arguably the most friendly and flexible student job in Durham. We will be hiring staff in Michaelmas term, shortly after Freshers' week. Information will be sent out by email, so if you think that your skills would be an asset to the Buttery, then fill in an application form. Come and meet us at the Freshers' fair in college to find out more and to ask any questions that you might have about what working in the Buttery entails.



James Taylor
Buttery Chair 2023/24

College Facilities

Main Building

The Undercroft

One of the many communal areas in the College, the Undercroft is equipped with sofas, a TV, and free table football.

The Lower JCR

The area outside the dining hall and buttery. There is a pool table which can be used for 20p per game. 20ps can be purchased in the Buttery.

The Upper JCR

Above the Lower JCR area. There are sofas, a fridge, sinks, cooking equipment, and another TV.

External Buildings

James Knot Hall (JKH)

Opposite to the main Trevs building. There is a sports hall, and some multi-purpose rooms. The sports hall itself is used by multiple societies such as badminton, cheerleading, and musical societies. The Dowrick Suite is also included in the building which is used for various musical practices and small theatre performances. It is equipped with a baby grand Steinway piano, an upright piano, mounted stage lights and a projector. The Faith Space is also in the building which can be used by any members of the College for prayer, meditation, or just chilling out!

Our fantastic College gym is just next door and with a wide selection of weights, treadmills, rowing machines, and more!

Music Rooms

In addition to the JKH and Dowrick Suite, there is also the Mash Room which can also be booked out privately. The Mash Room is detached from college and contains a drum kit, electric piano and various amps and microphones. This space is commonly booked out by bands and small musical groups.

There are 6 Steinway pianos in rooms around college: in the JKH, Dowrick, Mash Room, B Ground, and Dining Hall.

Outdoors

Our outdoor spaces are well maintained and open to all students and are especially nice during the Summer. The back lawn is a large open area with benches, and a

multipurpose tennis/basketball/netball court towards the back end which can be booked from the Porters' desk. The Quad is where Trevstock is held, and some other events throughout the year like the Stressless Campaign.

Rooms

When you first arrive, the Frep team will help you move your belongings into your room. You will either be given a single or shared room. Each room comes equipped with:

- A desk and chair
- Single Bed (no bedding)
- Wardrobe (hangers not included)
- Bedside Table (includes drawers)
- Sink, Towel Rail, and Mirror
- Wi-Fi

Photos and posters are allowed on the walls if stuck up with white tack, so long as they don't damage the walls and are removed when you leave. If your room is missing anything when you arrive then please contact the Porters.

Other Facilities

We have a laundry room in College on A Ground which contains washing machines and tumble dryers. Some of the washing machines auto-dispense detergent while others don't. Payment is done through the Circuit Laundry App which you can set up once you arrive.

Each floor (landing) contains a pantry which has the kitchen essentials: microwave, toaster, kettle, and fridge. Some landings may have a bigger kitchen with a stove and oven.

We have our own IT Suite with computers and a printer; the computers are all connected to the University network.

There is also the Post Room which has pigeon holes for letters and welfare supplies. Larger parcels are delivered to the Porter's Lodge. There are designated collection times for these parcels which can be found on the door to the parcel room. There is also a post box a short walk from college.

Trevs is a smoke free environment, and includes: your room, the bar, the Quad, and within 10m of the entrances. This extends to e-cigarettes and vapes. There is a designated smoking area around the front of the College.

For details on the university policy visit:

<https://www.durham.ac.uk/about-us/professional-services/human-resources/policies/>

The use of college spaces must be booked in advance. You can book college rooms by contacting reception at kathryn.cullen@durham.ac.uk.



The Garden Gym

GYM REPRESENTATIVE: ANGUS HONG & SHAMEER SHERAZ

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Welcome to Trevelyan College! We are thrilled to introduce ourselves as your enthusiastic gym representatives. We are Shameer (He/Him) and Angus (He/Him), both second-year students pursuing Accounting and Finance and PPE respectively. With over three years of dedicated experience in powerlifting and bodybuilding, we are eager to share our knowledge and experiences with you all. Don't hesitate to approach us for a friendly chat about anything related to working out or our courses. We can't wait to meet each and every one of you!



The gym:

Trevelyan College has an extensive gym facility fully equipped to cater to your cardio health, bodybuilding, and powerlifting needs. Among the range of top-notch equipment available, you can find treadmills, rowing machines, leg press machines, squat racks, and more. Whether you're aiming to build muscles, shed some weight, or train for your favourite sport, Trevs gym has it all covered!

Securing a membership is as simple as making a purchase at the beginning of the year. To find out more about the gym, feel free to reach out to our friendly gym reps, Angus and Shameer. They will be more than delighted to assist you!

Environmental Policy

ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER: ROSIE ROCHESTER (SHE/HER)

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As a member of Trevelyan College and Durham University you are part of a community which is proud to be committed to Environmental Sustainability. Carbon Reduction Targets are a large part of this, and everyone at Durham has an important part to play.



Greenspace

Greenspace is the name for Durham University's environment office. The office coordinates environmental initiatives across the university relating to eight key areas: energy, waste, water, travel, biodiversity, fairtrade, procurement and renewables. My Greenspace is a Durham university run initiative which rewards students for completing sustainable actions by collecting points. You can register for it here:

<https://mygreenspace.teamjump.co.uk/>

Laptop/PC Setup

Please set your devices to hibernate after 15 minutes of inactivity in order to help save power.

Environmental Initiatives

The JCR is involved in Environmental Initiatives largely coordinated by the elected Environment Officer. As part of their role, they have an environmental committee which meets several times a year, which you can join during Freshers week or later on in the year. Trevelyan College also annually takes part in a beach clean in Easter term, where students and staff volunteers from Trevs help clear up the local coastline. Keep your eye out for other environmental and sustainability projects happening throughout the year.

BRINGING A PLATE, BOWL AND CUTLERY Not only is this recommended for use in your pantry, but the college also occasionally hosts 'takeaway meals' for livers in when there are other events happening in the dining hall. Students are highly encouraged to use their own dinnerware here as it dramatically reduces single use plastic waste and makes a huge difference to sustainability goals. Therefore, please make sure you bring or purchase a plate or bowl, cutlery, and a mug or cup for using during these takeaway dinners.

The JCR, MCR, and SCR

The JCR (Junior Common Room)

The JCR is the community of undergraduate students within Trevs. It acts as a forum for all student matters, and aims to improve the quality of College and student life. The JCR gives the undergraduate student body a unified voice at the University level and with College staff. They also organise various leisure activities and events such as Formals, clubs & societies, our highlight of the year Summer Ball, and many more!

At the wheel of the JCR is the JCR Executive Committee (aka the “Exec”). These are Tier 1 positions, and there are 13 of them which are open for election to JCR members. The Exec are responsible for various parts of the College, ranging from working with College Officers to managing finances to holding JCR meetings. Tier 2 and Tier 3 positions also exist under these Tier 1 roles in order to assist them in their work. The Exec are elected each year by JCR members and there is a special Handover Formal to signify the start of their term in Epiphany Term (right before Easter Holidays). The elections are held by the JCR Chair as online ballots. Tier 1 and Tier 2s will hust (a short speech at JCR meetings followed by a Q&A).

More details can be found in the JCR Standing Orders which acts as our constitution. This can be found online at <https://trevsjcr.com/documents/>. The JCR Chair (Akshita Singh) can also answer any questions you may have- akshita.singh@durham.ac.uk.

The MCR (Middle Common Room)

The MCR consists of all post-graduate students of Trevs such as those who are doing masters, doctorates, or PGCEs. Much like the JCR, the MCR also has its own Exec. The MCR are not part of the JCR but may participate in JCR events, such as Summer Ball and societies. JCR members on an integrated masters (4 year course) become associate members of the MCR in their 4th year.

The SCR (Senior Common Room)

The SCR are a group of academics, university staff, Alumni, and friends of the College. They have various functions throughout the year, some of them open to all of the College such as talks by guest speakers. As a group, they are the most senior common room in the College community, and you may see some of them as members of JCR societies or playing at the various music events. They are there to support student activities and development.

As well as being a body of people, the SCR is also a place in the College. It is a large room with comfy chairs on H Ground. This is generally an undergrads-free zone unless by special invitation.

JCR Meetings

JCR meetings are where the undergraduate student body gather together and are an opportunity for you to have a say in how the JCR is run. They are organised and presided over by the JCR Chair (Akshita Singh), and are open to all members of the JCR and executive committee to discuss the future plans of the JCR. They typically happen for an hour on Sundays three times a term.

- Meetings will start with reports from the JCR Exec about what they've been doing since the last meeting. There is also time to ask any of them about their roles or what they're doing.
- Sometimes Tier 2s such as the music rep will also give a report
- The most important part of the meeting is then the motions which are a formal proposal of the JCR to change or introduce how something is done. Motions can be made by anyone and they are voted on by those in attendance at the meeting in order to pass.

Prior to the meeting taking place, the Chair may announce elections for vacant positions; these can be Tier 1, Tier 2, or Tier 3 positions. If you choose to run for a position then you will give a hust before the JCR meeting starts. Hustings take the form of a speech followed by questions from members of the JCR

Complaints

Despite the Exec's best efforts, some things are bound to go wrong. In that case, it might be worth talking to the officer involved and let them know what went wrong so that they can resolve it for next time. Alternatively, if you don't feel like your complaint was dealt with fairly, or you feel like you can't approach the person in question then the Chair (Akshita Singh) is fully impartial and will be able to help.

Getting Involved

Durham runs on a collegiate system, which means you can get involved in a variety of ways, be it sports & societies or anything else that takes your fancy. One great way to get involved at a College level is by running for an elected tiered position. This sounds daunting but often requires no experience and is fun to do (not to mention they look great on your CV)! Holding a JCR position means you can have an ultimate say in one area of College and can help craft Trevs into the community you really want it to be! Positions are elected throughout the entire academic year, so always keep your eye out on something that you might be interested in!

Running for Positions

There are 3 tiers of elected position

Tier 1

AKA the Executive Committee (Exec), these roles oversee the entire JCR. There are 13 positions, and all of them except for President and Bar Steward are filled by students. President and Bar Steward are sabbatical roles, typically filled by students who have just graduated. There are 3 Ex Officio positions (Chair, Bar Steward, and Buttery Chair) which aren't officially on the Exec for various reasons but share the same importance and work closely with the rest of the Exec.

To run for a Tier 1 position, you will need to write a manifesto and letter to the JCR, create a poster advertising yourself, and hust (give a short speech). These positions open throughout the year and are announced to be open by the Chair via emails and Facebook.

Tier 2

These roles operate under different members of the Exec and focus on enhancing the student experience in a narrower capacity. These range from roles with a specific focus such as Music or Sports Representative, to those which directly support Tier 1s such as Assistant Treasurer or Assistant Social Chair. While they may have less duties, Tier 2s are still a vital part of the JCR.

The process for becoming a Tier 2 is similar to becoming a Tier 1 but without the need to write a letter to the JCR, and candidates are not allowed to canvas votes.

Tier 3

The members of various JCR Committees. These Committees typically assist Tier 1 roles and provide a wider view in decision making. These committees range from the Social Committee which plans events in Trevs to the Steering Committee which assists the Chair in running elections and meetings.

To run for a Tier 3 position, you only need to write a manifesto (no husts or canvassing needed!). Most Tier 3 positions run from the start to the end of the academic year: some elections open just a few weeks after Freshers' week, so it's a great first experience of the JCR.

Reminder: You must be a JCR Member to run for positions or vote



Durham Students Union

The Durham Students' Union is your main representative body for issues that affect students across the University. It has an Assembly that decides on Union policy, and various associations that represent the interests of minority groups, such as Students with Disabilities and People of Colour. The SU also manage many various large Durham University societies.

Groups within the union do all sorts of things, from charity work to student welfare (Nightline). Additionally, the Union provides various services such as the Riverside Bar & Café in the SU and offers advice services.

It is also the hub for all of the clubs and societies that exist at a university level - think everything from archaeology, to beer pong to skydiving. There's genuinely something for everyone.

The Students' Union has five Sabbatical Officers (ex-students who are directly elected by the student body in second term) each with a specific set of responsibilities. These include the opportunities officer (looking after clubs & societies) and undergraduate academic officer (making sure you get the best standard of teaching). Voting in Students' Union elections often carries prizes for the highest turnout by College. In 2019, Trevs was visited by two alpacas for its significant turnout during the voting period. Trevs boasts one of the highest participation in SU elections winning the highest turnout in 2019 and 2023. As a result we had visits from alpacas and miniature donkeys to our college events.

The Students' Union is affiliated closely with the National Union of Students (NUS), through which it conducts campaigns on issues ranging from climate change to tuition fees. Part of the Students' Union Representative's job is to promote these in College so that students can get involved.



Formals

Formals are special nights in Trevs held every two or so weeks. They are big social occasions in College - an opportunity to have a decent three course meal and possibly a few drinks with your friends followed by a classic Trevs Bar night with a DJ (normally our very own librarian Tim Fowler!).

The dress code is usually formal attire meaning a suit and tie, dress or another similarly smart outfit, along with a black gown. Some formals may also be black tie, where you can wear bow ties and dinner jackets or sparkly dresses etc. You buy your gown on the first day, so don't worry about it before arriving (though there are opportunities to pay for it in advance)

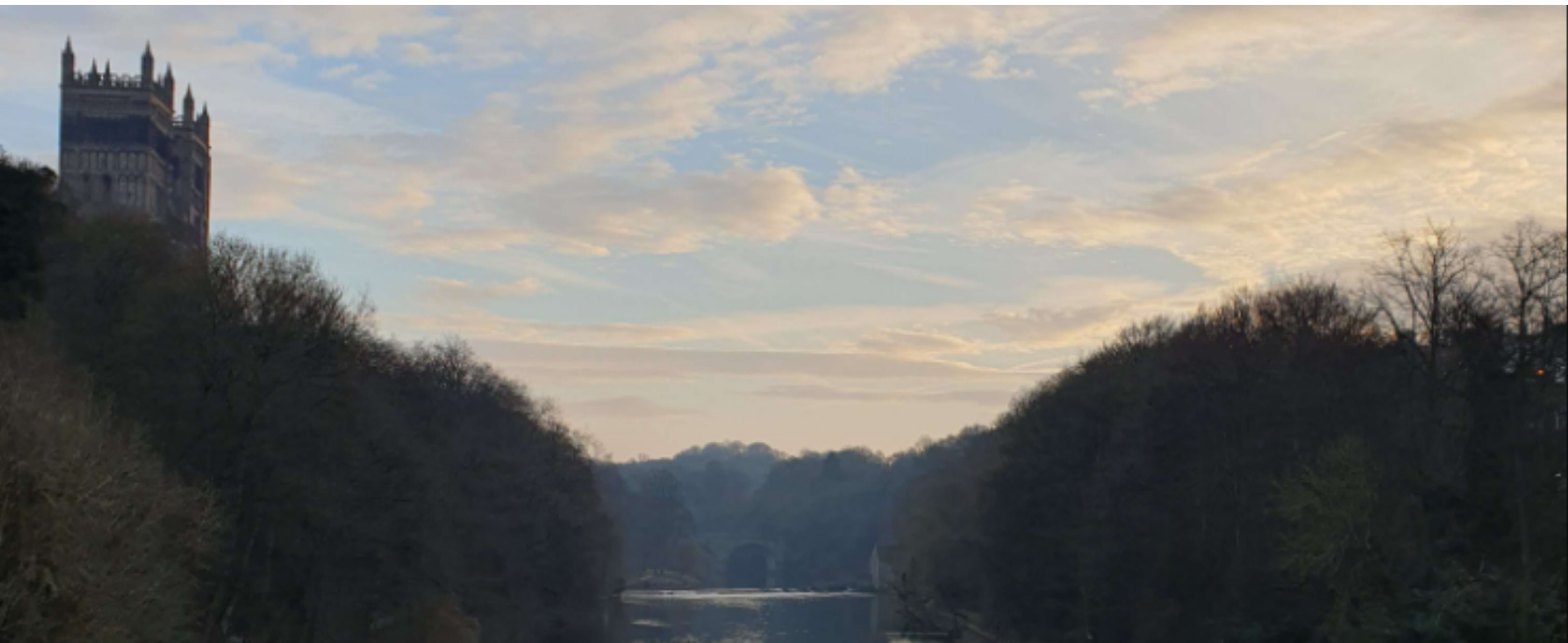
There are also some special formals towards the end of each term which are usually extremely popular. For example, we usually have a Christmas Formal.

In the meal itself you can take up to one bottle of wine in, or 2 pints, and most people get that from the bar, which opens just before formals. You can bring your own drinks not from the bar but you have to pay corkage (£5.00) - so you're probably better off buying from the bar. Post formal the bar is open, the music's on, and you can buy some more drinks in preparation for the night ahead. Non-alcoholic drinks are also always available. Mostly, people stay in the bar until it closes and then some may go out into town.

Formal Rules

- Pick up a token before hand- most formals will require you to pay in advance and pick up a token on the day for entry.
- Be punctual, you need to arrive on time or you won't be allowed in. Leave time to take pictures with your group and to grab drinks from the bar!
- Keep your gown on until the High Table sits down.
- Don't stand up at any point during the meal.
- If you decide to leave the Formal then you won't be allowed back in.
- No mobile phones
- No drinking games
- Don't hassle the catering staff
- Have fun!

Don't worry these will be explained in more detail before your first formal.



A Guide to Durham

Durham may be relatively small but there's still plenty to see and do throughout the year! There's plenty of sights, restaurants, cafes, and seasonal events to see.

Attractions

Durham Cathedral

Palace Green, DH1 3EH

The 11th Century Norman Cathedral boasts impressive architecture and heritage which make it one of the standout tourist destinations of the North-East. You'll graduate here and it's advised that you climb the 325 steps to the top of the Cathedral tower on your graduation day which gives fantastic views across the city.

Botanic Gardens

South Rd, DH1 3DF

Free admission to students, and a lovely place in nature to relax, take pictures, or even study.

The Assembly Rooms (Student Theatre)

40 North Bailey, DH1 3ET

With the purpose built student theatre, The Assembly Rooms, having undergone a £2.4 million renovation in 2019, the Durham Theatre scene couldn't be entering a more prosperous period. You can go there to watch and engage with student produced shows!

The Gala Theatre

1 Millennium Place, DH1 1WA

A 500 seat theatre which attracts some of the biggest names on the UK comedy circuit and well-known theatre companies. There is also an attached 2-screen cinema which screens the latest movies at affordable prices!

Brown's Boats

Boat House/Elvet Bridge, DH1 3AF

Small wooden boats which can be hired out for a paddle on the wear.

Durham Markets

27 Silver Street, DH1 3NJ

Durham's Market Hall has over 50 independent traders offering a wide range of foods, services and goods. In the restored Victorian indoor market there are artisan food stores, music shops and general retailers where you can pick up goods for a fraction of the price of the high street retailers and for much better quality!

Lumière

Durham City Centre

A spectacular light show which visits Durham every 2 years. See awe-inspiring installations strategically placed around the city centre. Tickets are free to students after 4pm. Lumiere will be taking place this year from the 16-19th of November 2023.

Restaurants

Bells

11 Market Place, DH1 3NE

An award-winning local fish and chip shop with options for dining in and takeaway.

Fat Hippo

36 Saddler Street, DH1 3NU

Slowly expanding across the North offering a selection of burgers and a £5 burger happy hour at lunch.

Flat White Kitchen

40 Saddler Street, DH1 3NU

One of the best brunch hot spots in Durham. Get there before 12pm to avoid queues.

La Spaghetтата

66 Saddler Street, DH1 3NP

'Cheap and cheerful' Italian restaurant serving a wide variety of food accompanied with a free salad.

Lebaneat

47 North Bailey, DH1 3ET

Offers traditional chargrilled Lebanese dishes, plus meat and vegetarian wraps.

Riverview Kitchen

20-21 Silver Street, DH1 3RB

A scenic riverside restaurant with views across the Wear. Another brunch location to tickle the taste buds.

Sense

80 Claypath, DH1 1QT

Authentic Chinese cuisine in a nondescript that belies what this restaurant looks like from the outside!

Tango

96 Elvet Bridge, DH1 3AG

Easy going restaurant and bar open from brunch until dinner for American-style steaks and burgers.

The Cellar Door

41 Saddler Street, DH1 3NU

Set in a 13th Century cellar, Cellar Door is notoriously hard to find. The British style menu with fresh ingredients is fantastic if a little expensive. Book in advance to ensure a table.

The Court Inn

Court Lane, DH1 3AW

A gem offering cheap, high quality food. Cosy pub serving real ales and homemade, locally sourced pub classics and more innovative dishes including squirrel!

Pancake Cafe

11 Crossgate, DH1 4PS

An intimate venue with only four indoor tables although it is relatively unknown in the student community.

Waffley Good Company

95 Elvet Bridge, DH1 3AG

Freshly baked, American-style, sweet and savoury waffles.

Whitechurch

29 Church Street Head, DH1 3DN

The pub-grub offshoot of Flat White. Opposite the Bill Bryson library, brunch and weekend roasts are the main attraction.

Zen

Court Lane, DH1 3JS

A casual Thai Asian dining based on a fusion of authentic and street and market fresh foods. Expensive in the evenings but a reasonable lunch menu. Book in advance.

Coffee

Cafedral

Owengate, Durham DH1 3HB

It's a pun, get it? Situated opposite the cathedral this quirky coffee shop has one of the most sought after views and cakes!

Chapters

16 Elvet Bridge, Durham DH1 3AA

Cheap afternoon tea option and loads of seating space. A great place to go to study or have a catch-up session.

Flat White Cafe

21A Elvet Bridge, DH1 3AA

Very popular amongst students, so popular that there's almost always a queue. There's great coffee and freshly baked goods.

Tealicious

88 Elvet Bridge, DH1 3AG

A relaxing atmosphere in which to enjoy the 24 individual blends of loose leaf tea served in a collection of unique fine bone China teacups. Fresh homemade cakes, scones and sandwiches made to order as well.

Treats

27-28, Silver Street, DH1 3RD

A cute little tea shop offering a cosy place to relax and enjoy a coffee break.

Vennels

Saddlers Yard, 71 Saddler Street, DH1 3NP

Hosting a fantastic range of cake, with loads of seating, Vennels is hidden behind the hustle and bustle of Saddler Street.

Pubs and Bars

Each college will have their own bar, and Trevs already has a banging bar ourselves, but sometimes you wanna go for a night out.

Bar 33

33 Neville Street, DH1 4EY

One of the coolest bars in Durham, located slightly out of the way, with a fun, speakeasy theme. You need to buzz to get in, so don't be alarmed when the door seems locked.

Ebony

8 Walkergate, DH1 1SQ

A champagne/cocktail bar if you want a slightly more fancy, chilled evening.

Fabio's

Fourth Floor, 66 Saddler St, DH1 3NP

A literal stairway to heaven with an indie vibe and a selection of great cocktails on the expensive side and a dance floor. Student bands are often given the chance to perform here as well!

Old Tom's Gin Bar

Elvet Riverside, DH1 3AF

Set in an eclectic venue, this specialist gin bar with the same owners as Tin of Sardines. Only gin on offer but with a selection of over 100 different varieties, you'll be spoilt for choice

The Boathouse

Elvet Riverside, DH1 3AF

Located on the riverbank near Elvet Bridge, it's slightly more expensive than other bars, but their Cocktail Fishbowls and balconies make it nicer than most.

The Library

46 Saddler St, DH1 3NU

Not a working space but a cheap and fun bar that offers a very different experience to a typical College bar.

The Shakespeare

63 Saddler Street, DH1 3NU

The oldest pub in Durham, located on Saddler Street- a fantastic place to go for a quiet drink if you ever want to get away from other students.

The Swan and Three Cygnets

Elvet Bridge, DH1 3AF

A traditional Sam Smith's Pub, nice atmosphere, food and a grassy area out the back, which is brilliant when the sun finally comes out.

Tin of Sardines

Elvet Riverside, DH1 3AF

Claims to be Durham's smallest bar and it's hard to argue with. Offers a reduced selection of gin than Old Tom's but in a more accessible and intimate venue.

Whisky River

Elvet Riverside, DH1 3UJ

A riverside bar with a vast selection of drinks. Stylish and unique within the Durham scene but prices reflect that.

Aside from the fantastic College events run by the students, Durham has a burgeoning nightlife which is reflective of the growing student population.

Nightlife

Babylon

15 North Rd, Durham DH1 4SQ

More colloquially known as “Babs”, it’s a huge venue in Durham. It is themed around the Hanging Gardens of Babylon, and opened in October 2019! It describes itself as the perfect destination for watching sports, sipping on cocktails, dining or dancing the night away, with it running 4 club nights a week.

Jimmy Allen’s (Jimmy’s)

20 Elvet Bridge, DH1 3AA

Located under Elvet Bridge in what used to be a jail with three bars on three different floors. Free entry all night makes it a student magnet at the start and end of the night, however, the small dance floor quickly becomes crowded. Pop tunes all night, every night.

Klute

Elvet Bridge, DH1 3AF

Thrives off the reputation as the worst club in Europe, but much more fun than this suggests. Perfect for those who want a cheap, cheesy night out, with great deals on Sundays, Tuesdays and Fridays. At most £3 entry with a campus card but quids in on Tuesday offers £1 entry.

Lloyd’s

Walkergate Leisure Complex, DH1 1WA

The local Wetherspoons with cheap drinks but doubles as a nightclub on Wednesday nights, often a popular Trevs hangout. Classic tunes play on through the night. £2 entry after 11pm.

Loft

15-17 North Road, DH1 4SH

This newer club has recently hit the big time holding busy nights throughout the week. Leans towards house and RnB music and also holds specialised events such as switch-up for the hip-hop fanatics amongst you and Gospel, a fancy dressed themed day event. Loft is also host to the new ‘Itchy Feet’ night transporting revellers back to the swinging sixties. For events tickets are best booked in advance (Fixr) but for general nights, entry is no more than £5.

Osbourne's

21A Elvet Bridge, Durham DH1 3AA

With its central location (next to Klute and above Flat White) Osbourne's is one of the more intimate bars in Durham. The bar is famed for its Rainbow Mondays - a weekly LGBT+ night hosted in association with Durham's LGBT+A with Emma Royd and Tess Tickle, famed Drag Queens, alternating as DJ's each week.

Bohemia

Unit 3 Walkergate, DH1 1SQ

A new club for 2018, recently rebranded in 2022. Big nights are mainly Wednesday night for University Sport Socials and they also host themed nights. The sound system is massive, lending to the house remixes that are classic nightclub tunes. Tickets are generally bought in advance and are at least £5.

Studio

15-17 North Road, DH1 4SQ

Although initially seeming like the same club as Loft, Studio is in fact a different venue. However, it caters for very much the same music tastes as its downstairs neighbour, Loft. Entry is in the £5 region.

Wiff Waff

Back Silver St, DH1 3RA

Hosts genre focussed club nights. Shakermaker is a specialised indie night and they also play house and hip-hop on their main night of the week, Monday. Doubles as a ping pong/beer pong venue. Entry is generally around £5.



Libraries

Bill Bryson Library

Better known amongst students as the “Billy B”, this is the main University Library which is located on the Science Site, and holds the majority of readings for each subject. All the core readings are available online, and more are ordered as needed each year. There’s also a Document Delivery Service, which can give you access to pretty much anything else that might tickle your academic fancy. The main entrance, bizarrely, is on Level 2, and you’ll find a large computer room, group study area, the new library café, photocopiers, the reference section and the reserve collection (really popular, short loan books) on this floor. Level 1 for Humanities, Level 3 for Sciences and Level 4 for Social Sciences – although you’ll find that the collections overlap, and often half the books you want will be on a different level.

The best way to find something in the library is to look it up on the computer system (<https://www.durham.ac.uk/departments/library/>), which will tell you where your book is, how many copies there are, how long the loan is (from four hours to three weeks) and whether or not it’s available at College libraries (including Trevs). It’s also a good idea to take advantage of the library tours available, as these can be invaluable when you’re trying to find your way around. One major point to remember about the library is that they do fine for late book returns.

The library also has bookable study rooms and spaces which can be booked online here: [Space Bookings: My Bookings \(dur.ac.uk\)](#)

Trevelyan College Library

The college library is open 24/7 to all Trevs students. Very convenient during formative, summative, and exam season since you don’t have to lug your stuff to the nearest library. Trevs has a large selection of books to choose from which should also include reading material for your course, if not, then our College Librarian Tim Fowler can order it in if you give enough notice. The library doesn’t just have academic works, it also has a selection of fiction, DVDs, and board games which can be borrowed as well! Books in the library (other than the reference books) can be checked out for three weeks and can be both renewed and recalled. You can search the catalogue through the Main Library catalogue.

Departmental Libraries

As well as the College library and the Bill Bryson, many departments have their own libraries with books specific for the subjects, meaning that you don't have to pay the high prices for all your textbooks!

Palace Green Library

Located on the stunning Palace Green, this library is more of a research centre than anything else, but is a good place for quiet study if you have lectures in town, and has an excellent group study area.

R.S.As (Porters)

The Porters are an essential part of College life, and not only on a manual, getting-things-done basis. The jobs that the Porters carry out include signing out keys to students, welcoming visitors, helping replace light bulbs, and signing for packages.

You will probably get to know our Porters personally, and when you do you'll understand why we're so fond of them, as they are all lovely and you'll miss them when you leave!

There is always at least one College porter on duty, 24 hours a day. If they are not in the Porters' Lodge (between the Cobbles and the Bar) they will be around College somewhere. You can press a button (providing you need them for a genuine reason!) that brings them back to the Lodge, and you can also contact them on internal 47000 (although it's probably best to just go and find them). They are always happy to help with any problem and really are part of the backbone of College. We'd be totally lost without them and they deserve the utmost respect! Please see them for any help or just for a friendly chat.

In the Porter's Lodge you'll find:

- Various important books for signing in/out keys and guests, booking the badminton court, reporting damage and requesting repairs.
- Keys for rooms, trunk rooms, music rooms, library, JKH, boat club... Light Bulbs (if you ask nicely they might even change it for you!).
- Telephone Directories (including the Yellow Pages).
- Attack alarms, ladders, bin bags.
- Access to parcels that don't fit in your pigeonhole are stored in a locked cabinet near their office.

Security, Noise, and Safety

Security

Close your windows and lock your door when you leave your room, even if only for a short time, especially on the ground floor. There is a small fee if you get locked out of your room and the Porter has to open the door (cleaners will lock rooms if they are unlocked so don't be caught out! Always have your key and lock your door!

The two bike sheds are both secure so if you do bring a bike up there is a safe place to store it. Just remember to lock it every time you leave because everybody wants their bike to be safe! To store your bike in the bike sheds, speak to our receptionist Kath. You'll need a £25 cash deposit that will be returned when you move out of College.

Basic insurance comes as part of the resident agreement but there are add-ons you may need so it's your responsibility to check and make sure you have the correct cover.

The front door is locked every night around midnight. Access is gained via keypad which you must tap your campus card on to gain access. The K Block entrance is also only accessible with a campus card.

Noise

Always remember that College is still a working place and please be considerate of both students and staff alike. There is a noise curfew at 11pm after which time all noise should be kept to an absolute minimum.

If you are disrupted by noise follow the following procedure to deal with the issue:

- Wherever possible attempt to resolve the noise complaint yourself.
- If this does not work or is not appropriate, contact the Porters.

Safety Information

We have a fire drill every Wednesday at 2pm

If you discover a fire follow the following procedure to deal with the issue:

- Sound the nearest alarm.
- Do not tackle the fire yourself unless trained with the appropriate equipment
- Never put yourself unnecessarily in danger

If you hear the alarm:

Wherever you are, leave the building immediately by the nearest exit and go straight to the assembly point, the Elvet Hill Car Park. DO NOT stop to collect personal belongings and DO NOT re-enter the building. You MUST go ONTO the Elvet Hill Car Park, not just wait outside College, as this will block the entrance for the fire engines when they arrive. Wait there for further instructions (usually from a College officer).

Please note that the fire brigade will NOT be automatically called every time the alarm sounds. When the alarm sounds, the porter will investigate the area where the alarm was set off, and then call the fire department as necessary. Due to this time delay, it is ESSENTIAL that you leave the building immediately, in case there is a genuine fire and it spreads quickly.

There are fire alarms in every room so be very careful. The alarms are sensitive and burning toast (hence no toasters or kettles in rooms), joss sticks (not allowed) or spraying aerosols can be sufficient to set them off. You can be fined for causing an alarm to sound. A false alarm at College could cost someone's life elsewhere by delaying the arrival of the emergency services.

Remember: every second counts.