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Please send any information to hod.psychology@warwick.ac.uk you would like to share.

There is no in the spotlight this week. If you would like to submit a paragraph, get in touch!

Announcements

Update from the SEM ED&I Forum (held 22 October)

The SEM ED&I Forum met for the first time this academic year on Tuesday 22 October. The Forum welcomed three new student representatives and Katie Berlin, who will be starting as the new Widening Participation Faculty Engagement Manager for FoSEM in November. Members of the Physics PG Committee were invited to talk about a more university-wide approach to period product supply, in line with the Athena Swan actions. The QR code linking to a petition can be found [here](#). A lab coats paper was also presented to the Forum for comment, outlining the availability of lab coats and other protective equipment in a range of sizes for different body shapes. Issues were highlighted with comfort and sleeve length in lab coats, but the availability of protective footwear for engineering labs was also discussed. Members were asked to provide any comments on their own experiences/experiences of their colleagues/students, as well as provide some insight into the purchasing practices of their departments. These can be sent to SEMAdmin@warwick.ac.uk if there are any comments from the newsletter readership. There will be upcoming information on some menopause focus groups, and the potential for a cross-faculty ED&I event was raised. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 12 December.

Be in it to Win it with Warwick Green Rewards!

Hi Staff & PGR Green Champions! We're excited to introduce [Green Rewards](#) at the University of Warwick! Join us on our journey to a more sustainable campus by taking part in this exciting new programme.



What is Green Rewards?

Green Rewards is a web platform and app where you log your sustainable actions—like active travel, recycling, and sustainable shopping—and earn Green Points as a result. There is also a [journey sharing](#) feature available which can be utilised on the web platform to help you find cycle, walking, public transport or car sharing buddies!

Points Mean Prizes!

Every month, you will have a chance to win a £5 or £10 voucher to exchange for a wide variety of prizes!

Start Earning Rewards Today

Sign up now and kickstart your Green Rewards journey with 1,250 Green Points, bringing us all closer to our sustainability goals!

Join online now: <https://uniofwarwick.greenrewards.co.uk/> or download the app with the QR code below:



Training, Seminars and Workshops

Reminder: Warwick Transformation – Research improvement initiatives (please sign up)

(Previously circulated by email) From WT Team: As part of the Warwick Transformation, a number of the improvement initiatives proposed as a result of the Research Enabling Services design work have now been approved to progress to implementation. There are four initiatives getting underway for which academic/departmental contributions are sought (professional services and academic colleagues). Please use [this link](#) to sign up for the sessions and timeslots.

1. **Improving research data management** – *policy feedback session*

DATES – 4 November 11-12, 4 November 2-3pm, 5 November 1.30-2.30pm, 6 November 2-3 (first two on Teams, second two dates are in person)

2. **Improving research training** – *discussion group*

DATES – 29 October 10-11am, 29 October 2-3pm, 4 November 9.30-10.30am, 6 November 10-11 (first three on Teams, last date in person)

3. **Creating a standard Notification of Intent (NOI) form** – *feedback session*

DATES – 5 November 3-4pm (in person), 7 November -11-12 (Teams), 12 November 3-4pm (in person), 13 November 1-2pm (Teams)

4. **Designing a communicable framework for research contracts – discussion group**

DATES – 5 November 12-1pm (in person), 7 November 1-2pm (Teams), 12 November 10.30-11.30am (in person), 13 November 3-4pm (Teams)

Please contact jordana.price@warwick.ac.uk or imogen.drew@warwick.ac.uk if you have any questions about the sessions.

Between Mystical Thinking and Practical Experience | Thursday 8th of November

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce the forthcoming 1-day symposium “**Between Mystical Thinking and Practical Experience**” on 8 November, 2024 at the University of Warwick. The event is sponsored by the Institute of Advanced Study. Please find all the relevant information below. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Between Mystical Thinking and Practical Experience

Date: 8 November 2024

Time: 10:00-16:30

Location: Institute of Advanced Study, Zeeman Building CO.02, University of Warwick

KEYNOTES

Hilary Davies

Hilary Davies is a poet, critic, and translator. She has published four collections of poetry with Enitharmon Press, and has been a Royal Literary Fund Fellow at King’s College, London (2012-6) and the British Library (2018-9). She is a former Chairman of the Poetry Society of Great Britain, a Fellow of the Temenos Academy and of the English Association. She was co-editor of *Prophetic Witness: The Re-Imagining of the World* (Routledge, 2020). In 2023 she was shortlisted for the Michael Marks Environmental Poet of the Year award for her pamphlet ‘Its Birds Can Never Be Counted’. Davies is a member of the Power of the Word Project Advisory Board; and writes for *The Tablet*.

Emma Mason

Emma Mason is Professor of English and Comparative Literary Studies at the University of Warwick. Recent publications include a new edition of William Barnes’ dialect poetry (Edinburgh University Press, 2025); and *Christina Rossetti: Poetry, Ecology, Faith* (Oxford University Press, 2018). She co-edits the Bloomsbury monograph series *New Directions in Religion and Literature* and is a member of the Power of the Word Project, Scholars of Religion and Literature Network, and the Catholic Women Writers Network. Her current project explores poetry and Catholic mysticism in the Victorian and modern periods.

SPEAKERS

Panel speakers include:

Enaiê Marie Azambuja (University of Lancaster)

Declan Gillespie (University of Warwick)

Eileen John (University of Warwick)

Alastair Lockhart (University of Cambridge)

Elizabeth Ludlow (Anglia Ruskin University)

Oleksandr Pronkevych (Ukrainian Catholic University)

Yuliia Vintoniv (Ukrainian Catholic University)

Ruth-Anne Walbank (University of Warwick)

Please refer all questions to Nataliya Pratsovyta at nataliya.pratsovyta@warwick.ac.uk

InReach10x | Professor Matthew Clayton - 13th of November 2024

On Wednesday the 13th of November 2024, the Institute for Advanced Study (IAS) will be joined by Professor Matthew Clayton from the Department of Politics and International Studies at Warwick University. Professor Clayton will be giving a talk on his forthcoming book, *Independence for Children*.

Independence for Children

The talk will briefly summarize the argument of Independence for Children. The book addresses the question of whether it is morally permissible for parents to enrol their children into controversial religious doctrines or ethical worldviews. It defends a radical alternative to dominant views of what parents are permitted to do to, with, or for their children: it's central idea—'anti-perfectionist parenting'—asserts that it is often morally impermissible for parents to engage in religious and other kinds of ethical enrolment.

Professor Clayton will be giving a seminar as part of the InReach10x Series on **Wednesday the 13th of November 2024, from 13.00 - 14.00 in [C0.02, IAS Seminar Room](#)**

If you would like to sign up for the talk and receive a calendar invite, please click [here](#).

Best wishes,
Katie

**Dr Katie Reynolds | Strategic Programmes Manager | Institute of Advanced Study
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STEM Connect Information Day: Wednesday 6 November, 09:00-15:00, Science Concourse

The STEM Connect Team are holding an Information Day on Wednesday 6 November between 09:00 and 15:00 on the Science Concourse. Members from the STEM Connect Programme Team, consultants from Mace and BDP, and colleagues from the Metrology and Visualisation group in WMG will be there with the latest 3-D images, virtual reality headsets and screens, so you can 'fly-through' the new building virtually. There will be two presentations hosted by BDP Architects in B2.02 on the Science Concourse at 10:30-11:30 and 14:00-15:00. Everyone is welcome, so please share details of the event. Please visit the [STEM Connect website](#) for further information.

FinRegs/Research Finance network day – 6 November

From the Finance Office (also shared via email): FinRegs and Research Finance will be hosting a joint networking event on Wednesday, 6th November at Radcliffe conference centre. The event aims to bring together the finance community from across the University, providing updates on various finance-related topics, sharing best practices, and providing an opportunity to connect with colleagues in other departments across the University. To register for the event, please complete the form at the following link where you will be able to choose whether you wish to attend for the full day, morning session only or afternoon session only: https://warwick.ac.uk/services/finance/staff_intranet/networkday/

Information

Period Poverty Initiative – petition for circulation please

Please find attached to this email a poster advertising a petition to help with period poverty which originated at the physics postgraduate committee and has since gone to the SEM ED&I Forum and will be disseminated to other faculties. Please could you circulate to staff and students? The petition asks the university to provide free period products for all bathrooms. The period products currently provided by Physics and other departments are distributed by members of PS staff, and are therefore not consistently available around the university. The petition proposes the university provides period products which are free to use, funded and distributed centrally, as items are restocked. A link to the petition can be found [here](#). For more information, please email [Becks](#) in the first instance. Thank you.

Warwick Technician Commitment Award for Outstanding Achievement

Nominations are open for the Warwick Technician Commitment Award for Outstanding Achievement, with a deadline of 11 November. To find out more, please visit the [Warwick Technician Commitment Award for Outstanding Achievement](#) webpages.

Curriculum and Partnerships Approval Policy Update

From EPQ: this academic year, we'll be implementing some important changes to our Curriculum and Partnerships Approval Policy. These changes are designed to ensure the University's compliance with consumer protection regulations and CMA guidance while providing an opportunity for early feedback from the Curriculum Approval Panel. Key Changes:

- **Revised Timelines:** We've adjusted our course approval timelines to align with CMA regulations, ensuring a timely and transparent process.
- **Enhanced Student Engagement:** We're committed to keeping students informed about curriculum changes that may affect them. We'll provide clear guidance on how to engage with students after "material information" is published.
- **Strategic Approval Stage:** To facilitate early feedback and ensure the viability of new course proposals, we've introduced a Strategic Approval stage. This will allow for a strategy-informed approach to course development.

The course approvals team is finalising the implementation plan and will be sharing more details with you soon. We'll also be making use of various communication channels, including Faculty-level communications, HoDs & DAs newsletters, and the EPQ Administrators Forum, to ensure that everyone has access to the necessary information. Please contact [Course Approvals](#) with any questions.

Sustainability Strategy

Sustainability is a multi-faceted issue which is more than just the environmental. It encompasses social, economic and environmental issues. Our sustainability strategy, the Way to Sustainable, was developed in 2022 and it's time for a refresh. We want to set more ambitious targets which encompass all of sustainability and incorporate views across the University, including education, research, operations. We have designed several tailored workshops, please join us to let your voice be heard. Various slots available across campus, secure your position now!

<https://warwick.ac.uk/sustainability/what-we-are-doing/strategy/strategyrefresh/>

Warwick Food and Drink Vouchers

Hello,

The new Warwick Food & Drink on-line booking system allows department to control their cost code spend, as the Warwick Voucher system allows departments to specify how much each person can spend on a cost code within the Warwick Food & Drink system.

This change has been made to help streamline the ordering process and to empower departments to control their own budgets and spend.

Currently the Warwick Food & Drink system allows customers to enter their costs codes if none have been setup in Warwick Vouchers – this option will be removed soon.

1 - To allocate a cost code to an individual, select the permissions option when viewing your voucher scheme:

Name	Created	Authoriser			
Paul Bartlett (CCSG Directorate)	20 Feb 2023, 10:55:48	Paul Bartlett	<input type="checkbox"/> vouchers	<input type="checkbox"/> edit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> permissions

2 - This gives you the option to add or edit existing account managers or creators. For each cost code you can specify the maximum spend for Warwick Food & Drink, this defaults to £0.00:

COSTCODE 1

warwick food & drink

0.00

vouchers

0.00

3 - Once this is done, any cost codes that have been allocated a spend will be available for that person to select at checkout.

More information about the Warwick Vouchers system can be found on the Voucher support pages: <https://warwick.ac.uk/services/foodgroup/about/vouchers/>

Student Communications: Term 1, Week 4

Please find links to term one week four's student communications here: Thursday 24 October: [UG/PGT](#), [international students](#). You can view the previous newsletters via the [newsletter archive](#). An email was sent to all students encouraging them to leave a review on Whatuni. [You can view the email here](#).

If you see or have an accident, or feel unwell summon a First Aider (in the Humanities Building):

The departmental First Aiders are:

Hannah Austin - H1.41, call x73910 (or 024 765 73910 from a mobile phone)

Catherine Johnstone - H2.53 call x23745 or (024 765 23745 from a mobile phone)

Professor Thomas Hills - H0.26, call x23182 (or 024 765 23183 from a mobile phone)

Dr Pete Trimmer - H0.29, call x50909 (or 024 761 50909 from a mobile phone)

If it is not possible to contact one of the first aiders, please contact Community Safety on ext: 22222 (024 765 22222).

Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs)

location https://warwick.ac.uk/services/healthsafetywellbeing/guidance/first_aid/defibrilators/.

Procedure for reporting Accidents

(a) Report incident to [Linda Wilson](#) or, in her absence, your line manager / supervisor / tutor.

(b) Complete the online [Accident / Incident / Near Miss Report Form](#)

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Kind Regards,
Hannah.

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Or chat with me on Teams!

Work hours: 8:30 am till 4:30pm (Monday till Thursday), 9:00am till 4:00pm (Friday)



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