

# PolSoc Welcome Session

## **Course directors:**

- Rachel Lewis (Sociology)
- Julia Welland (PAIS)

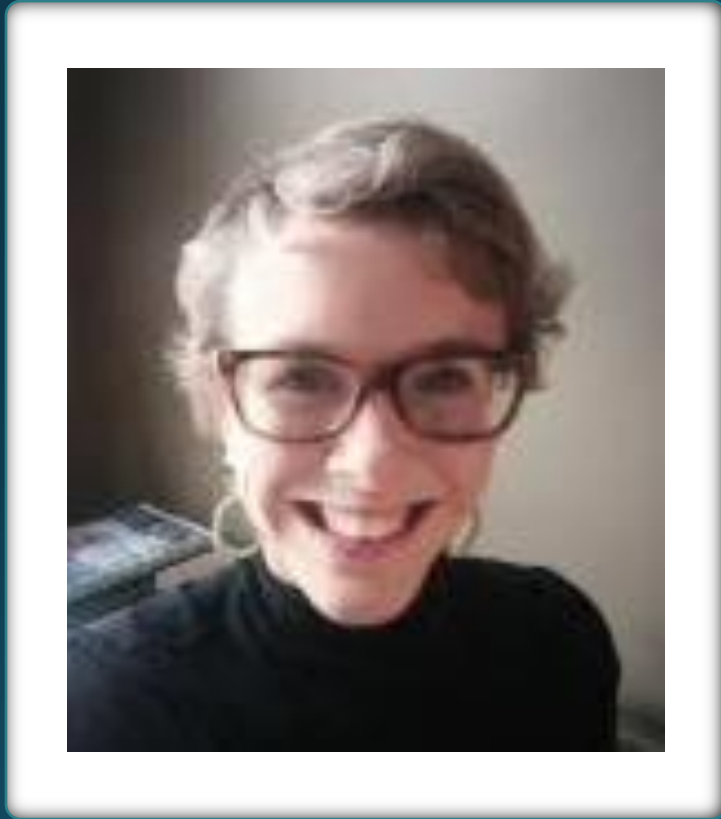
## **Student ambassadors:**

- Oliwia Fikiel (final year)
- Aliyah Jaulim (final year, former PolSoc SSLC member)

## **Outline of session:**

- Your course directors
- Course structure
- Study abroad
- Student-Staff Liaison Committees (SSLCs)
- Events/socials/societies
- Reflections from our student ambassadors
- Questions

# Your course directors



## Dr Julia Welland (PAIS)

- Associate Professor of War Studies

### Contact:

- [J.Welland@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:J.Welland@warwick.ac.uk)
- Room: E1.16
- Advice and feedback hours: TBC

# Your course directors



## Dr Rachel Lewis (Sociology)

- Assistant Professor of Sociology

### Contact:

- [r.lewis.g@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:r.lewis.g@warwick.ac.uk)
- Room: Eo.10
- Advice and feedback hours: Weds 10-11,  
Thurs 11-12

# Practical information



The PAIS Undergraduate Handbook contains all administrative information relating to your course



Please read it carefully to familiarise yourself with departmental procedures and refer to it in the first instance for any questions or queries

# Course structure – year 1

## Term 1

- Introduction to Politics (PO107, 30 CATS)
- World Politics (PO131, 30 CATS)
- Researching Society and Culture (SO120, 15 CATS)
- History of Sociological Thought (SO128, 15 CATS), OR Sociology of Race (SO122, 15 CATS)

## Term 2

- Introduction to Politics (PO107, 30 CATS)
- World Politics (PO131, 30 CATS)
- Introduction to Social Analytics in Social Inequalities Research (SO130, 15 CATS)
- Sociology of Gender (SO116, 15 CATS), OR Class and Capitalism in a Neoliberal World (SO126, 15 CATS)

# Course structures – years 2&3

## Year 2

- Foundations of Political Theory (PO2E3, 15 CATS)
- Topics in Political Theory (PO2E2, 15 CATS)
- Designing and Conducting Social Research (SO242, 15 CATS)
- Practice and Interpretation of Quantitative Research (SO243, 15 CATS), OR Modern Social Theory (SO245)
- Modules from second-year PAIS/Soc worth 60 CATS

## Year 3

Choices worth 120 CATS:

- At least 30 CATS from each department
- 30 CATS of outside options possible

# Year abroad

- Students can choose to apply for an intercalated year abroad through PAIS or Sociology: You can apply to study at one of our partner universities or set up an approved work placement.
- Partner countries have included: Canada; France; Sweden; Australia; China; Hong Kong; Singapore; South Korea (and more!)
- More information is available [here](#)
- This year's study abroad contact in PAIS is Arzu Kibris; in Sociology it's Silvia Gomes



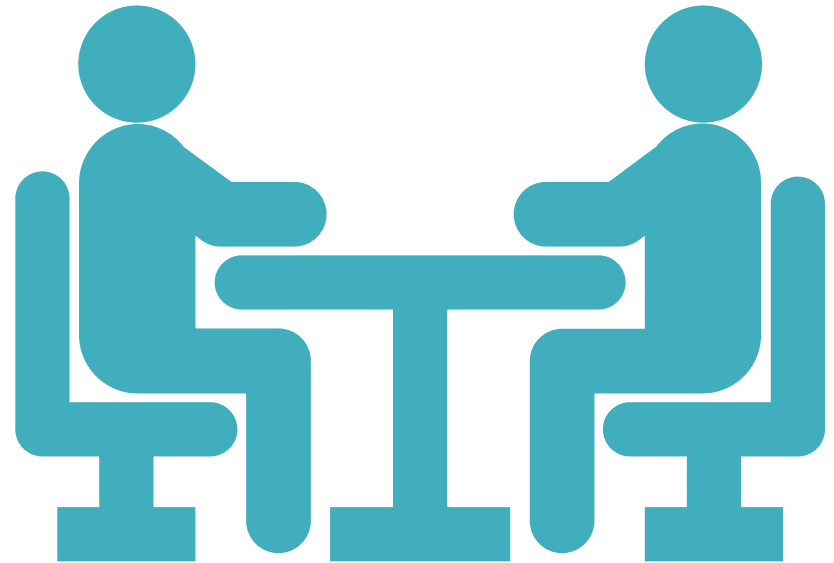
## Student-Staff Liasion Committees (SSLCs)

“SSLCs are committees made up of student representatives (course reps) and members of academic staff (e.g. academic convenors) They provide an accessible arena for students to discuss with staff issues connected to teaching, learning and student support. They also provide an opportunity for the department to receive feedback from students, particularly if changes to a course are proposed.”

(PAIS UG Handbook)

# SSLC meetings

- Two academics (course directors); two student reps from each year (six in total)
- Up to five meetings per year: x2 in terms 1&2; x1 in term 3
- A word on SSLC membership from one of our student ambassadors



# SSLC elections



Please put  
yourself forward



Nominations  
close 10 October  
(end of week 1)



Voting: Week 2  
(Monday 13 Oct  
– Friday 17 Oct)



Results: From 17  
Oct.

Week 3:  
Compulsory rep  
training for  
elected reps



First meeting in  
week 5 or 7

# Events/socials/societies

- Events and socials organised by the SSLC so come on board!
- PolSoc (Politics Society) and SocSoc (Sociology Society)



# SocSoc Contact Details

Instagram



@WARWICKSOCIOLOGYSOC

Society Membership



Whatsapp Groupchat



warwicksociologysoc@gmail.com

Final reflections from our student  
ambassadors



Any questions?