

# 10 reasons to join a society

## 1. Make friends with common interests

You can meet a range of new people that all have a similar interest to you. This is a great way to meet people and make life-long friends.

## 2. Expand your CV

Societies provide time-management, teamwork, problem-solving, event management, and leadership opportunities. All these skills will make your CV stand out, especially if you are on committee and show dedication and commitment to your society.

## 3. Once in a lifetime opportunity

Outside of University you will rarely get the opportunity to join such a range of clubs at such an affordable price. Being linked to the University and the Students' Union our societies have access to a range of high-tech equipment.

## 4. Learn a new skill

Societies offer a great cost-effective way to learn a new skill or test out a multitude until you find the one that suits you. This is the time to try anything and everything!

## 5. Break from studies

Socials and meetups will provide a welcome break from your studies as well as adding structure to your work week. Maintaining a good work life balance is crucial to future careers.

## 6. Provides a range of unique opportunities

Being part of a society provides you with opportunities you might not have access to alone. We have societies that work at festivals, produce plays, perform at concerts, create 24-hour live streams, and so much more!

## 7. Keeps your passions alive

Did you choose a course that is outside one of your passions. Maybe you study business but love acting, Solent stage could be for you. Or maybe you study fashion but miss doing psychology at A level, the psychological society could be for you.

## **8. Helps the local community**

Here at Solent Students' Union, we aim benefit and help our local community the best we can. Many of our societies have a great chance to do just that. If you feel that there is an issue that is not being tackled here, start your own society and make the change you want to see.

## **9. Opens career opportunities**

Many societies have connections with businesses or have a good reputation themselves. This could open new doors for your future that you might not have expected. If you are a business student that set up a food society, you could end up developing recipe books. Or an engineering student that goes rock climbing, you could design climbing walls and training centers.

## **10. Continues your course interests outside of lectures**

You can continue your course passions outside of the university walls. Be this socializing with your course mates, seeing guest lecturers, performing new training. There are loads you and your course mates can get up to in a society!