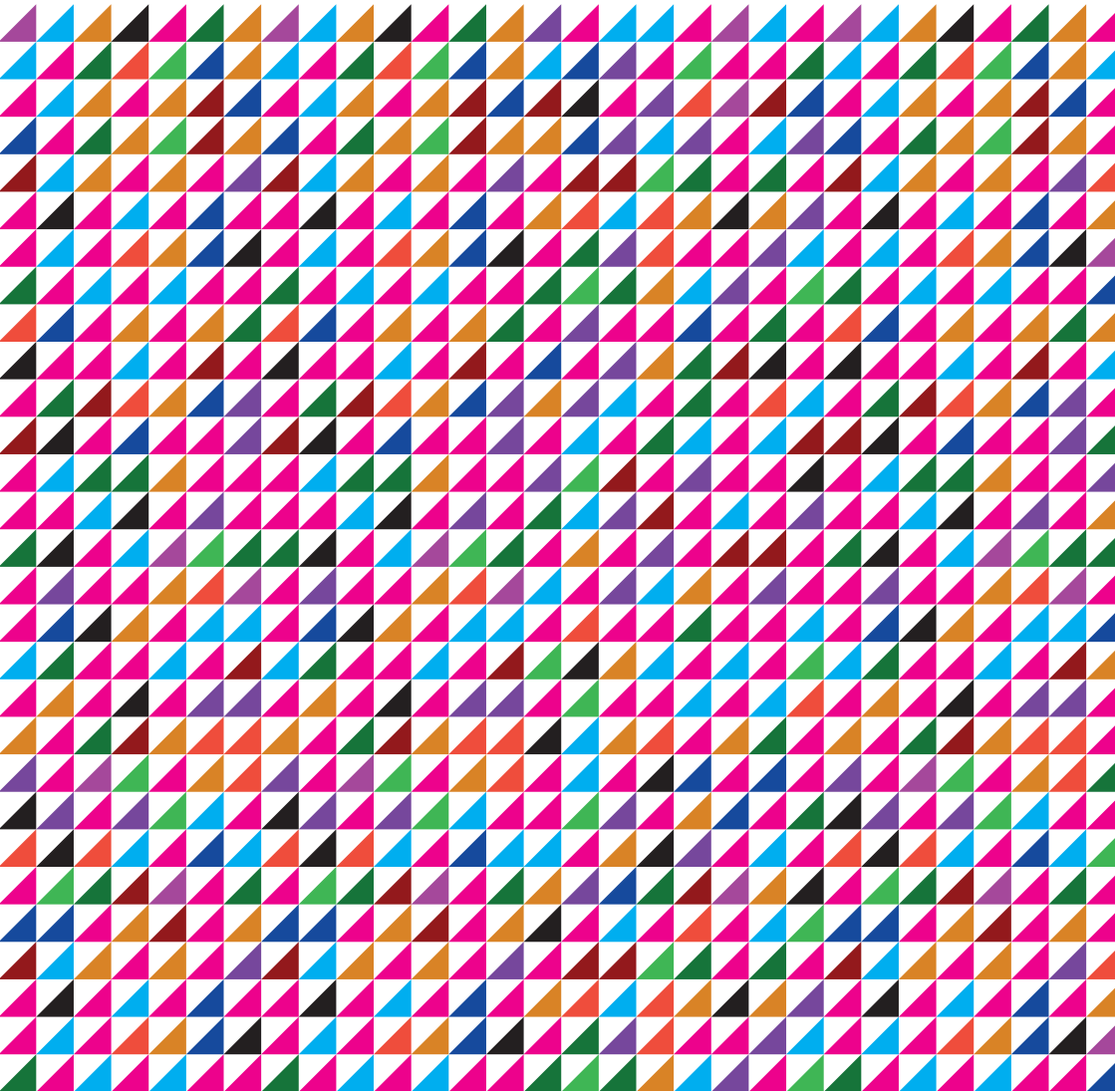


# Activities Handbook 2014/15



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Go online to see all the Clubs, Societies & Projects and what activities they have to offer.

**[imperialcollegeunion.org/activities](http://imperialcollegeunion.org/activities)**

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Hi, I'm Abi the Deputy President (Clubs & Societies). I'm involved in looking after all of the 300+ clubs that Imperial College Union has to offer – a pretty broad role considering we have everything from A Cappella to Yoga and clubs for (almost) all the alphabet in-between!

This booklet has a full A to Z list of what we have on offer. There is a huge range of activities that reflects the diversity of the students of Imperial. For the online version where you can find out more information about each group, check out [imperialcollegeunion.org/a-to-z](http://imperialcollegeunion.org/a-to-z).

All of our Clubs, Societies & Projects will be showcased at the Freshers' Fair on our South Kensington campus on Tuesday 7 October. They will have stands with flyers and freebies and there will be some exciting demonstrations. Clubs, Societies & Projects are one of the biggest factors in helping you enjoy your time at Imperial.

Our Give It A Go project (GIAG) should help you find the club for you by letting you try out a

huge range of our activities before you become a member. Our groups put on a load of events, trips and taster sessions in each of the two GIAG periods, so don't worry if you miss out on going to everything you want to try in October - GIAG is run again in January, though of course clubs generally welcome you to turn up and have a go all through the year.

Clubs, Societies & Projects are an integral part of your student experience. At a university like Imperial, studying can easily take over your life if you let it. It is so important that you take some time off, and the skills you gain from taking part in activities such as teamwork, planning and organisation are hugely valuable to employers.

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University is one of the only times you will have so many opportunities to try new things, meet so many new people and have so much fun! I can definitely say Imperial College Union's Clubs and Societies have been a huge factor in enjoying my time here so far and would urge everyone to take part in as much as they can.

If you have any questions or even just want to say hello, feel free to email me, drop into the office or find me around on campus.

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## Why join?

There are a number of good reasons to join one or more of the 300 Clubs, Societies & Projects we have at Imperial. Firstly, they are a great way to meet people with similar interests and ethics and get together. The huge number of Clubs, Societies & Projects we have guarantees that your interests will be catered for, whether they are sports, outdoor pursuits, or social activities.

Clubs, Societies & Projects also provide a great way to sample new things for minimal cost – important when you're living on a student budget. The Union heavily subsidises Club, Society & Project activities so the array of activities is much gentler on your finances.

Clubs, Societies & Projects at the College are a great way to gain experience, whether through training with talented individuals, or simply learning to run an organisation or write a budget. These skills will stand you in good stead in the future, both in your personal and professional life. All of our officers are volunteers, and we recognise the hours all volunteers put in through Imperial Plus, our volunteer recognition scheme. Find out more at [imperialcollegeunion.org/imperialplus](http://imperialcollegeunion.org/imperialplus).

And finally, one of the most valuable aspects of our hundreds of Clubs, Societies & Projects is that you can try something you may never have considered before, and it may become your favourite hobby. You wouldn't have the same opportunity anywhere else!

## Membership

Our website [imperialcollegeunion.org](http://imperialcollegeunion.org) offers you the opportunity to look at all of the many Clubs, Societies & Projects online, find out

more about them, and most importantly join them. By now you should have received correspondence from Imperial College London and already have your College login. If not, you can do this easily online. You need to go to [imperial.ac.uk/ict/activateaccount](http://imperial.ac.uk/ict/activateaccount).

Here you will need to read and accept the terms and conditions, then enter:

- ▲ Your full name as given to the College in your application form;
- ▲ Your date of birth as requested;
- ▲ Your College Identifier (CID), which is on all official correspondence about your place at Imperial College. It's 8 digits long.

Once you have done this, your College username and password will be activated. Keep note of these and don't forget them, because they are your username and password for emails and everything. You will now be able to log in to the Union's website [imperialcollegeunion.org](http://imperialcollegeunion.org). Simply log in using your College login details by clicking on the red login box on the top right.

The Union website is the place to see all the latest news, events and meetings that are happening at the Union. It is also the place to go to purchase all of your event tickets throughout the year, and most importantly where you can join any Club, Society or Project.

If you click on Activities in the main menu, then you will see a page full of information about all the Activities you can get involved with. There is a dropdown list of all the groups that you can look through. Select the one you're interested in and it will be put in your basket. Want to know a bit more about what each club is? Then select A to Z from the menu and you can click on a particular groups to find out all about them!

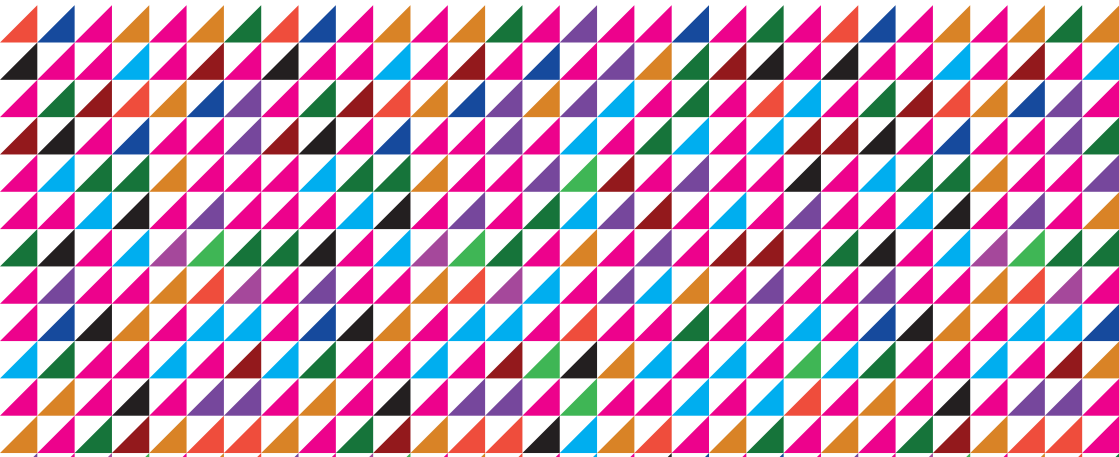
## Some key achievements from our Clubs, Societies & Projects in 2013/14!

- ▲ Clubs, Societies & Projects had an all time high of 21,278 total memberships.
- ▲ RAG raised over £60,000 for charity and for a second year in a row brought a crane on to campus next to the Queen's Tower for a bungee jump with 121 students and staff jumping.
- ▲ Over 19 countries were visited with everything from cycling in the Italian Alps to a Physics Society tour of CERN.
- ▲ Seven expeditions took place involving development projects in places as diverse as the Philippines, Nepal, and Tanzania.
- ▲ Sporting success include American Football and Badminton Men's 1st been promoted to the BUCS Premier South league and Table Tennis Men's 1st and Fencing Men's 1st both winning their leagues and been crowned BUCS Premier South Champions.
- ▲ Imperial Cinema sold over 4500 tickets to film showings.
- ▲ Nine members of ICSM Boat Club walked from London to Brighton, a total of 100km, carrying a single scull boat, to raise money in aid of both the Royal National Lifeboat Association and the Club.
- ▲ 72 Clubs, Societies & Projects took part in our Give It A Go scheme.
- ▲ Caving Society continued their exploration and mapping of caving systems in Slovenia, building on their discovery in 2012 of Slovenia's longest cave.

## Union Awards

### Congratulations to the following Union Award winners!

- ▲ Campaign of the Year – Islamic Society's Charity Week
- ▲ Event of the Year – Indian Society's East Meets West
- ▲ Club, Society or Project of the Year – EESoc



As a member of a Club, Society or Project, you have access to a range of facilities at the Union...

## Student Activities Centre

Got a club question that needs answering? The Student Activities Centre (SAC) is your port of call for enquiries and club services. There are also networked computers and printing facilities available for club related work, as well as post boxes. The SAC is on floor 2M of the Union building.

## Union Media Centre

New for 2014 is our exciting new Union Media Centre situated in the West Basement of Beit Quadrangle. The multi-million pound development offers you the opportunity to try your hand at a range of creative skills and hobbies or broadcast your message to the College!

The two main areas of the Media Centre are the Media Suite and the Studio. These spaces are designed to be flexible and useable by a range of our media societies including our radio station, television station, newspaper, photography society and many more. The newspaper itself, Felix, have an office with brand new iMacs and Adobe software that you can use to help our Felix Editor create our weekly term-time newspaper.

Our new radio studio has room for presenters, guests, DJs all using specialist broadcast equipment and software to produce the award-winning IC Radio which you can find online.

The Performance Studio is where the latest in on-campus talent can practise their music, it is sound-proofed so you can play to your hearts content and it is linked to our central Control

Room so you can record, master and play-out your latest composition!

The Media Centre is also home to a fully-specced Edit Suite, Darkroom, Art Studio and Science Fiction Library, complete with thousands of books and DVDs.

## Snooker Room

Snooker Club operate a snooker room on the third floor of the Union Building which is open throughout the day and available for their members to use.

## Concert Hall

The Union has its very own 200 seat Concert Hall that hosts several plays and concerts every term. It is also the home of Imperial Cinema with a 33ft screen and seven-channel Dolby Digital EX surround sound. Film showings are usually twice a week during term-time on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.



## Union Gym

The Gym is a multifunctional studio space located in the Union building. This is where the majority of our martial arts clubs train, as well as being the location for many dance classes and sports training.

## Activity Spaces and Union Dining Hall

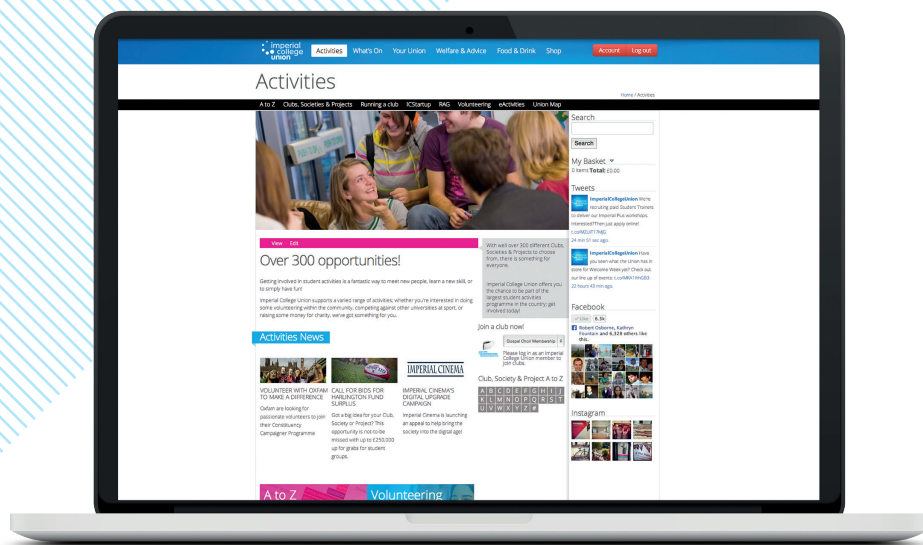
These are multifunctional spaces on the first floor of the Union building that are used by a large variety of clubs for meetings, rehearsals and classes.

## Ethos

Many club activities take place in Imperial's state of the art sports centre at South Kensington. The centre includes squash courts, a swimming pool, a sports hall and a climbing wall all of which are used by the Union's clubs.

## Sports Pitches

The College has two sports ground near Heathrow at Heston and at Harlington. There are football and rugby pitches, cricket squares, 3G and sand-based astroturf. Many Imperial College Union clubs play and train there. Both grounds are also available for casual bookings by students.



## Union Website

There is an extensive range of information about our activities on our website. You can find the full list of all our Clubs, Societies & Projects at [imperialcollegeunion.org/a-to-z](http://imperialcollegeunion.org/a-to-z), as well links to their contact details, links to their websites and memberships available to purchase online. If there's something in the list that you can't find, why not set up a Club, Society or Project yourself?

In the Activities section of our website, you can also find information about starting something new.

There are also lots of resources online that are helpful once you're up and running. You can also find more information about RAG, the fundraising arm of the Union, and other volunteering opportunities.

# A to Z

Go online to see all the latest list of all of our Clubs, Societies & Projects.

[imperialcollegeunion.org/a-to-z](http://imperialcollegeunion.org/a-to-z)

## KEY

- ▲ Academic Related
- ▲ Arts & Entertainment
- ▲ Charitable
- ▲ Cultural
- ▲ Departmental
- ▲ Faith
- ▲ Indoor
- ▲ Martial Arts
- ▲ Media
- ▲ Outdoor
- ▲ Social
- ▲ Sports

## A

- ▲ A Cappella
- ▲ ABACUS
- ▲ Activities for Children with Disabilities
- ▲ Advertising Society
- ▲ Aeronautics
- ▲ Afro-Caribbean
- ▲ Ahlul Bayt
- ▲ Ahmadiyya Muslim Students Association
- ▲ Alternative Music
- ▲ American Football
- ▲ Amnesty International
- ▲ Animal Protection & Education Society
- ▲ Anime
- ▲ Arabic Society
- ▲ Archery
- ▲ Architecture
- ▲ Artsoc
- ▲ Asian Medical Students Association

- ▲ Assassins Guild
- ▲ Astronomy
- ▲ Atheists, Secularists and Humanists
- ▲ Athletics (Medic)
- ▲ Australian
- ▲ Avicenna Project

## B

- ▲ Backgammon
- ▲ Badminton
- ▲ Badminton (Medics)
- ▲ Bangladeshi
- ▲ Baseball
- ▲ Basketball
- ▲ Basketball (Medics)
- ▲ Be Heartful Friends
- ▲ Belly Dancing
- ▲ Bike Users Group
- ▲ Bio Engineering
- ▲ BioChemistry
- ▲ Biology
- ▲ BioMedical
- ▲ Boat
- ▲ Boat (Medics)
- ▲ Book
- ▲ Boxing
- ▲ Bridge
- ▲ Bright Futures
- ▲ Bruneian
- ▲ Buddhist
- ▲ Bulgarian

## C

- ▲ Caledonian
- ▲ Calligraphy & Oriental Painting
- ▲ Canoe

- ▲ Catholic
- ▲ Caving
- ▲ Chamber Choir
- ▲ Chamber Music
- ▲ Cheerleading
- ▲ Cheese
- ▲ Chemical Engineering
- ▲ Chemistry
- ▲ Chess
- ▲ Chinese
- ▲ Chinese Students & Scholars Association
- ▲ Choir
- ▲ Christian Medical Fellowship
- ▲ Christian Union
- ▲ Cinema
- ▲ Civil Engineering
- ▲ Comedy Society
- ▲ Computing
- ▲ Conservative
- ▲ Consultancy
- ▲ CoppaFeel! Uni Boob Team
- ▲ Cricket
- ▲ Cricket (Medics)
- ▲ Croquet
- ▲ Cross Country & Athletics
- ▲ Culinary
- ▲ Cycling
- ▲ Cypriot
- ▲ Czecho-Slovak

## D

- ▲ Dance
- ▲ Dance (Funkology)
- ▲ Dance (Medics)
- ▲ Dance Company
- ▲ Darts (Medics)



- ▲ De La Beche
- ▲ Debating
- ▲ Design Collective
- ▲ Dodgeball
- ▲ Drama (Medics)
- ▲ Dramsoc
- ▲ Dutch

## E

- ▲ E.quinox
- ▲ Economics
- ▲ El Salvador
- ▲ Electrical Engineering
- ▲ EMSA
- ▲ Enactus
- ▲ Energy
- ▲ Engineers Without Borders
- ▲ Environmental
- ▲ Erasmus
- ▲ European Union
- ▲ Every Nation Christian
- ▲ Exploration

## F

- ▲ Fairtrade
- ▲ Fashion
- ▲ Felix
- ▲ Fellwanderers
- ▲ Feminist
- ▲ Fencing
- ▲ Filmsoc
- ▲ Finance
- ▲ First Aid
- ▲ Floorball
- ▲ Football - Mens
- ▲ Football - Mens (Medics)
- ▲ Football - Mens (RSMU)
- ▲ Football - Womens
- ▲ French

## G

- ▲ Gaelic Sports
- ▲ Gaming
- ▲ Gazette
- ▲ Geology for Global Development
- ▲ Geophysics
- ▲ German
- ▲ Gliding
- ▲ Global Brigades
- ▲ Go Society
- ▲ Golf
- ▲ Gospel Choir
- ▲ GradMed (Medics)
- ▲ Guitar

## H

- ▲ Hammersmith Students' Community
- ▲ Handball
- ▲ Hellenic
- ▲ Hillsong Connect
- ▲ Hindu Society
- ▲ Hockey
- ▲ Hockey (RSMU)
- ▲ Hockey Mens (Medics)
- ▲ Hockey Womens (Medics)

## I

- ▲ IC Big Band & Jazz
- ▲ IC Students for the Exploration and Development of Space (ICESDS)
- ▲ ICTV
- ▲ Ice Hockey
- ▲ Immunology
- ▲ Imperial College Aid to the Balkans
- ▲ Imperial College British Medical Association

- ▲ Imperial College Oil & Gas Forum
- ▲ Imperial Cooperative
- ▲ Imperial Entrepreneurs
- ▲ Indian
- ▲ Indonesian
- ▲ Innovation
- ▲ Interact
- ▲ International Public Health
- ▲ International Tamil
- ▲ IQ (Imperial College LGBT)
- ▲ Iraqi
- ▲ Irish
- ▲ Islamic
- ▲ Israeli
- ▲ Italian

## J

- ▲ Japanese
- ▲ Jazz & Rock
- ▲ Jewish
- ▲ Jiu Jitsu
- ▲ Ju-Jitsu
- ▲ Judo
- ▲ Juggling

## K

- ▲ Kabaddi
- ▲ Karate Shotokan
- ▲ Kendo
- ▲ Kenyan
- ▲ Kenyan Orphan
- ▲ Ki Aikido
- ▲ KnitSock
- ▲ Korean
- ▲ Kung Fu

## L

- ▲ Labour
- ▲ Lacrosse

- ▲ Law
- ▲ Lego
- ▲ Leonardo Fine Arts
- ▲ Linux Users
- ▲ London Forum for Science & Policy

## M

- ▲ Magazine
- ▲ Mahjong
- ▲ Malaysian
- ▲ Management
- ▲ Materials
- ▲ Mathematics
- ▲ Mauritian
- ▲ Meat Appreciation
- ▲ Mechanical Engineering
- ▲ Medical Education
- ▲ Medic Careers
- ▲ MedSIN
- ▲ Model United Nations
- ▲ Motor (C&G)
- ▲ Motor (RCS)
- ▲ Motor (RSMU)
- ▲ Mountaineering
- ▲ Mountaineering (Medics)
- ▲ Muay Thai
- ▲ Music (Medics)
- ▲ Music Technology
- ▲ Musical Theatre
- ▲ Muslim Medics

## N

- ▲ Netball
- ▲ Netball (Medics)
- ▲ Nigerian
- ▲ North American

## O

- ▲ Opera (Medics)
- ▲ Orchestra - Sinfonietta
- ▲ Orchestra - Symphony

- ▲ Outdoor
- ▲ Overseas Christian Fellowship

## P

- ▲ Paintball
- ▲ Pakistan
- ▲ Palestinian
- ▲ Parachute and Skydiving
- ▲ Parkour, Free Running and Gymnastics
- ▲ PASS
- ▲ Philosophy
- ▲ Photosoc
- ▲ Physics
- ▲ Pilots
- ▲ Pint of Science
- ▲ Poker
- ▲ Pole Dancing
- ▲ Polish
- ▲ Portuguese Speaking
- ▲ Project Nepal
- ▲ Punjabi

## Q

- ▲ Quiz

## R

- ▲ Racing
- ▲ Radio
- ▲ RAG
- ▲ RAG (Medics)
- ▲ Rail and Transport
- ▲ Raincatcher Imperial
- ▲ Real Ale (RSMU)
- ▲ Riding & Polo
- ▲ Rifle & Pistol
- ▲ Right to Play
- ▲ Robotics
- ▲ Rock and Metal
- ▲ Romanian

- ▲ Rotaract
- ▲ Rounders
- ▲ Rugby - Mens
- ▲ Rugby - Mens (C&G)
- ▲ Rugby - Mens (Imperial Medicals)
- ▲ Rugby - Mens (RSMU)
- ▲ Rugby - Womens
- ▲ Rugby League
- ▲ Russian Speaking

## S

- ▲ Sailing
- ▲ Save the Children
- ▲ Scandinavian
- ▲ Science Fiction and Fantasy
- ▲ Scouts & Guides
- ▲ SCUBA Diving (Underwater Club)
- ▲ Shaolin Kung-Fu
- ▲ Shorinji Kempo
- ▲ Sikh
- ▲ Singapore
- ▲ Skate Society
- ▲ Snooker & Pool
- ▲ Snowsports
- ▲ Society of Research and Academia
- ▲ Software
- ▲ Soup Run
- ▲ Spanish
- ▲ Speakers
- ▲ Squash
- ▲ Squash (Medics)
- ▲ Sri-Lankan
- ▲ Starcraft
- ▲ String Ensemble
- ▲ Student Action for Refugees
- ▲ Surf
- ▲ Surgical

- Swim & Water Polo
- Synchronized Swimming

- Women in SET
- Writers
- Wushu

## T

- Table Football
- Table Tennis
- Tabletop Gaming
- Taekwondo
- Taiwan
- Tea
- Team Bo'
- Team Up
- TedX
- Ten Pin Bowling
- Tennis
- Tennis (Medics)
- Thai
- Triathlon
- Turkish

## Y

- Yacht
- Yoga
- Yoga (Charing Cross)

## U

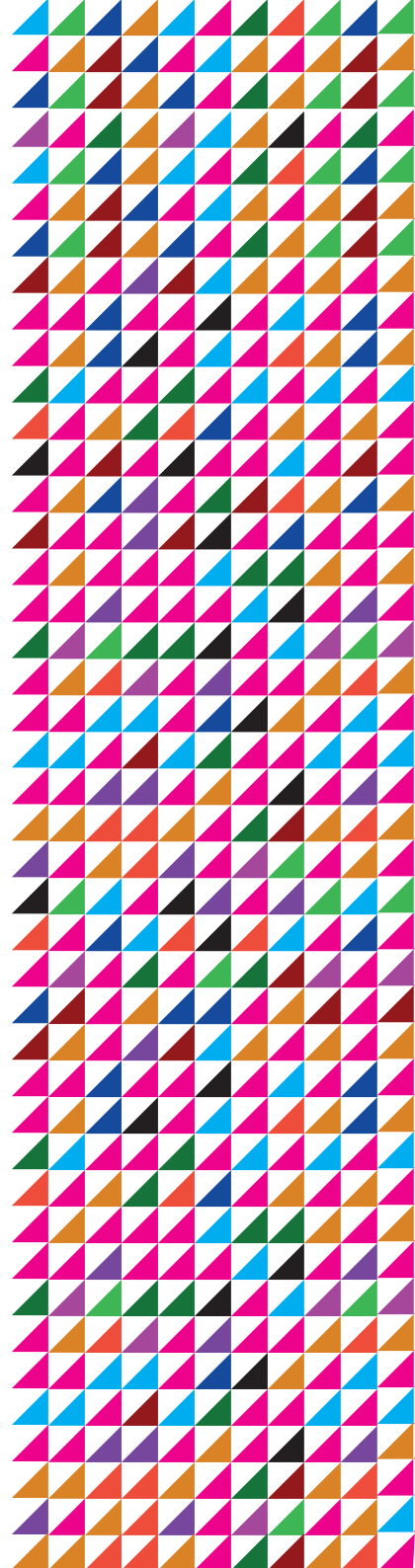
- Ultimate Frisbee
- UNICEF

## V

- Vision
- Volleyball

## W

- Wakeboarding
- Waterpolo (Medics)
- Weights & Fitness (Medics)
- Welsh
- Wikipedia
- Wilderness Medicine
- Wind Band
- Windsurfing
- Wing Chun



# Imperial Plus

Developing your skills

Open to all

Imperial Plus is the Union's new volunteer accreditation scheme. Any student volunteering hours with or via Imperial College Union can be used towards the Imperial Plus Volunteer Certificate or Volunteer Accreditation.

## Why register for Imperial Plus?

- ▲ Get the recognition you deserve for the volunteering you do!
- ▲ There's no extra work to gain the Imperial Plus Volunteer Certificate - just record your hours and complete a short skills questionnaire.
- ▲ Develop new skills by registering for the Imperial Plus Volunteer Accreditation, participating in skills based training workshops that will support you in your role and boost your employability.

For more information and to register, visit  
[imperialcollegeunion.org/imperialplus](https://imperialcollegeunion.org/imperialplus)





At Imperial College Union we have over 300 Clubs, Societies & Projects! They are all student founded and led and we are proud of the phenomenal variety that reflects the different interests and pastimes our students have. Our groups provide opportunities to partake in a vast range of different activities and events, allowing you to meet new people, learn new skills and helping to improve your student experience at Imperial.

Give It A Go was run for the first time in October 2013 and had some huge successes. It involved 72 of our Clubs, Societies & Projects and over 3,000 students took the opportunity to try new activities such as Synchronised Swimming, Cinema projecting, Meditation and Greek dancing. 76% of these clubs then wanted the scheme to be run again.

This year, you will have more opportunities to try something new that Imperial College Union offers. All of the student groups involved will have special events and activities open to beginners and are free or cheap to partake in without the need to commit to membership. Imperial College Union also runs some trips featured in GIAG which are additional opportunities to get out, meet new people and have a great time!

Look out for more information online at [imperialcollegeunion.org/giag](http://imperialcollegeunion.org/giag) about our Give It A Go activities when it runs in October and January.



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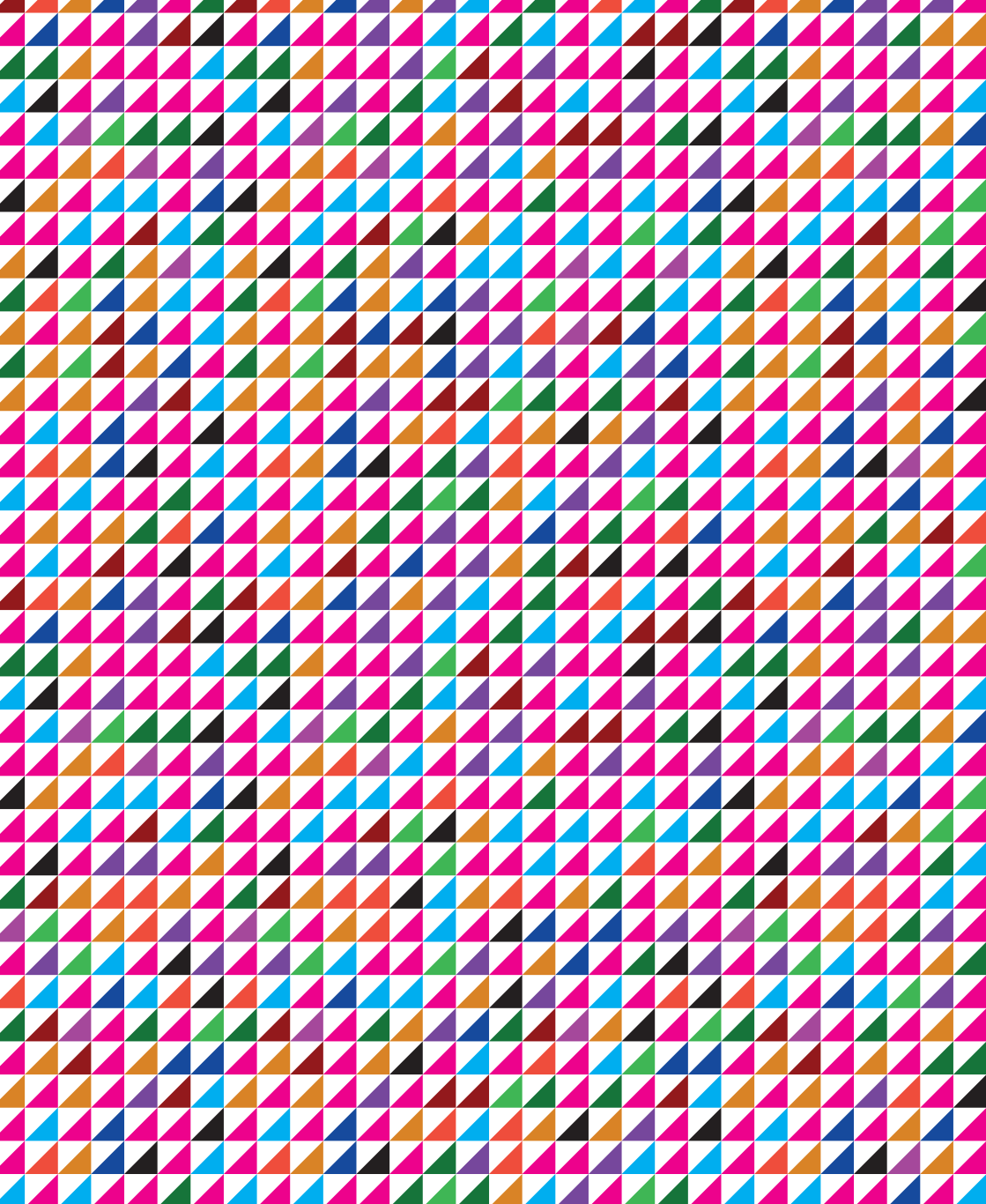
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