



Internal Affairs: [1] positions, [6] candidates

**Kirsty Kelleher
Giuliana Michaj
Salomé Bucher
Ujwal Trivedi
Umaima Peracha
Rebecca Guy**

1: Kirsty Kelleher (1st year, Law)

The position of Internal Affairs Officer is primarily concerned with the well-being of its members, and is thus a role which requires much dedication, organisation and compassion. The most important aspect is the offering of those services which will provide most use to law students, as it is crucial that students are aware that there is always someone to turn to when they are in need. I found such help available through the law society's mentor scheme, where my mentor was readily available to offer me advice on matters both in and outside of law. I feel this is a key element in developing the law society as a close-knit community and would appreciate the chance to be part of it.

I believe that I'm particularly suited to such a position as I am both organised and appreciative of what first year law students need in order to settle in quickly within a new and often stressful environment. Most importantly, I like to think that I am an approachable person, which is necessary component of such a position, and an innovative thinker who can further the success of the student welfare programmes. Please vote Kirsty Kelleher for Internal Affairs Officer.

2: Giuliana Michaj (1st year, Law)

Passion, great organizational skills and a positive and creative mindset are the three most important qualities I see in an internal officer. These are also what would best describe me. Through my various experiences such as being a member of my school committee, representing the opinions and worries of my fellow schoolmates and organiser for national and international student forums I have been able to experience situations very similar to what this post requires. This makes me confident that I am a well qualified person to be dealing with Internal Affairs.

I am running for this position because I have a genuine interest for people's wellbeing and I have a will-power to improve being a law student at Warwick University. Living in the "bubble" naturally creates an environment where the law society is a crucial and central part of our

student and social life. I would really love to be a part of its driving force.

One of my aims is to be a good support for student having academic and non-academic queries. One of my ideas is to organise an evening where module choices are discussed enabling a clearer outlook on the choice of modules.

3: Salomé Bucher (1st year, Law)

My reasoning for running for the Internal Affairs position consists of two parts. One, I believe this role is essential and can provide enormous support to all law students. Secondly, I trust that I can build this role out to further establish a centre for personal advice, face-to-face exchange of knowledge and by-student for-student support.

In order to do so, I will not suggest any changes that I do not believe will improve mostly well-functioning practices. What I do however hope to influence is the spirit, the nature, the message sent by Internal Affairs. I wish to encourage everyone to seek and provide help, and not because it might flatter a CV or an ego, but because the Law Society creates a unit, an entity, and any member's success is a success for all of us.

The Law Society can and should be more than the sum of its parts. I hope that, as the new Internal Affairs Executive, I can take a step towards this aim; starting with me simply promoting the idea, now and on the day of the elections. And... I cannot help it, I am an optimist.

4: Ujwal Trivedi (1st year, Law)

I am Ujwal Trivedi and the aim is unswerving, to be the people's choice for the Internal Affairs post. A lot of you would expect me to crack wise, but I would like to address some of the issues I would be dealing with if elected:

1. Aggressive marketing of the "mentoring scheme".
2. Spreading of the book sale over a couple of days.
3. Inclusion of more subjects for 2nd and 3rd year students.

The election is of dire importance to the short term and the long term goals of the Warwick Law Society. We need someone who possesses good leadership skills along with being a good team player. I would like to believe I am the right man for the job as:

1. I have had the opportunity of working in a law firm for a year which definitely has refined my communication skills as well as the ability to succeed by working with other team members.
2. Law being my 2nd U.G. Degree, I have had the experience of being a member of the students council in my previous university which has honed my skills of organizing various events.
3. I have been involved with almost every department of the Law Society: mooting, writing articles for the OD to being with Pro Bono.

Presidential candidate Henry Clay said in desperation after losing his election, "I would rather be right than president." I submit to you that I can be both.

5: Umaima Peracha (1st year, Law)

This term I have been extremely involved in the society and when your involved you are aware of what it is that your society does.

The following events were attended by me and I noticed some disorganisation in them and feel that as internal officer I can rectify these errors. In the past I have organised book sales and school proms and I prepared a demonstration moot for pathways with only five hours notice.

*Signed up for and benefited from the Mentoring Scheme – the mentoring social required better planning

*Written an article for the Obiter Dicta and participated in the Mooting competition

*Done open days for the Law department and a demonstration moot for Pathways to Law

*Attended the Law Ball and Lovells Workshop

6: Rebecca Guy (2nd year, Law)

Why this is the job for me:

This year I was a Fresher's Supervisor. This meant that in a team I organised the SU book sale that raised £40,000 for students, arranged the freshers induction night for 3000 new students and help organised and run the first Top B of term along with the sports and societies fair. As a result I developed my organisation, team work and people skills- all essential to being a fantastic Internal Affairs Officer! Having represented 2nd year LLB students this year through the SSLC I have built bridges that will ensure that my inter student and inter departmental communication will be well rehearsed for a position on the law exec!

What will I bring to the role?

I am outgoing, enthusiastic, fun- loving and creative. I love talking to people and have relished the opportunity this year to make student's lives better as a part of the SSLC. I found that people came and talked to me about what they weren't happy with due to being approachable and I loved the challenge of solving their problem and succeeding in achieving a better Law department for students- I hope! I plan to keep things ticking over efficiently, effectively and in a fun way whilst introducing new and exciting ideas along the way! Come to elections to find out more!!

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