Students

The University continues to attract exceptionally talented and committed students from all walks of life.



Above: Bristol students collecting for the Breast Cancer Campaign in Newport, Wales.

RAG

Students at the University raised around £50,000 in 2003/04 through their RAG (Raising and Giving) campaigns. Close to £9,000 of the money raised went to local charities, among them Crisis Centre Ministries, St John's Family Resource, Thornbury Sea Cadet Unit and Volunteer Reading Help. The remainder went to national charities such as Children in Need and Cancer Research UK.

Student Community Action

As the first round of its HEFCE funding came to an end in 2003/04, Student Community Action, the programme of volunteer projects based in the Students' Union, continued to develop its services and activities in pursuit of its mission of (in the words of the HEFCE directive) '...developing links between HEI students and the wider community... enabling students to develop their employment and generic skills, and help to enhance the quality of life in disadvantaged sections of the community'.

SCA currently runs around 25 local projects, and volunteer numbers have leapt from 390 in 2002 to 877 in 2004.

The training courses, designed to prepare the student volunteers for their work, have also seen a dramatic increase in participants. In 2002/03, a total of 475 volunteers trained on one or more of the 19 courses; in 2003/04, that figure jumped to 648.

The second round of HEFCE funding will sustain the new volunteering and training initiatives for a further two years.

Student Development Unit

In its second year, the Student Development Unit trained over 1,700 people – more than twice the number trained in 2002/03. The Unit offers training and support for students involved in Union activities and works closely with the Careers Advisory Service to develop students' employability and skills awareness.

BUSA

Bristol is one of 149 members of the British Universities Sports Association (BUSA). The University currently has 10 teams in BUSA premier leagues and a further 26 teams competing in the western divisions. At the close of the 2003/04 season, Bristol was placed 13th in the overall BUSA championship.



Sailing event casts off

The University's Sailing Club hosted the 2004 staging of Europe's biggest and most competitive student sailing event, the BUSA National Team Racing Championship. The Championship, sponsored by Lloyds TSB, was held at the Chew Valley Lake Sailing Club. Over 200 sailors took part in some 300 races. The Bristol team came third in the Mixed Event and third in the Ladies Event. The winners in both events were Southampton.

Water performance

Bristol's men's waterpolo team won the BUSA Championship in Nottingham in April, overcoming stiff opposition from Cardiff, London and Oxford in the final. The victory is a significant achievement for the team, which has reached the final for the past four years without taking the crown.

Bristol Reds

The Advisory Group on Sport and Recreation approved the following Athletic Union nominations for the award of Bristol Reds, the University's highest award for sporting achievement:

Tristan Barnes

4th Year Civil Engineering (Boat)

Hannah Brooke

3rd Year Pathology and Microbiology (Lacrosse)

Alex Coldicott

1st Year Mathematics (Rackets)

Melissa Hedley Lewis

3rd Year Geography (Ski)

Jan McGowan

2nd Year Dentistry (Ladies Hockey)

Tanya Saleh

1st Year Mechanical Engineering (Windsurfing)

Armand Sarvarian

1st Year Politics and Spanish (Wrestling)

Emily Shaw

3rd Year Veterinary Science (Windsurfing)

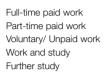
Wayne Thompson

1st Year Geography (Rugby Union)

Statistics

Graduate Destinations 2003

Total 3.080



Arts Science

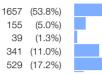
Medical & Veterinary Sciences

Engineering

& Law

Social Sciences

Medicine & Dentistry





Assumed to be unemployed Not available for employment (travelling, etc.)

128 (4.2%)189 (6.1%)18 (0.6%)24 (0.8%)

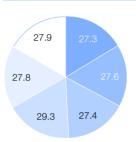
Higher degrees awarded

(Includes both taught and research degrees)

2003/04 by faculty

Average A-level points score, 2003 entry

Overall average: 27.7

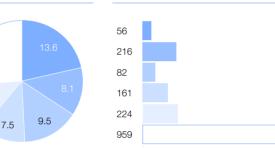


Ratio of applications to places in 2003

Overall average: 11.1

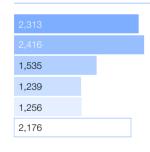
16.7

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Full-time undergraduate students 2003/04

Total 10,935



Full-time postgraduate students 2003/04

Postgraduate taught Total 3,384 221 52 694 17 598 950

| Postg | Postgraduate research | | | | |
|-------|-----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Total | 1,821 | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| 167 | | | | | |
| 536 | | | | | |
| 206 | | | | | |
| 248 | | | | | |
| 148 | | | | | |
| 516 | | | | | |

All registered students, excluding those writing up or dormant, as of 10 January 2004

Staff numbers as at 1 February 2004

| | Univers | University-funded | | Outside-funded* | |
|-------------------------|---------|-------------------|-------|-----------------|--|
| | F/T | P/T | F/T | P/T | |
| Academic and related | 1,479 | 294 | 981 | 252 | |
| Manual and related** | 345 | 495 | 1 | 13 | |
| Secretarial and related | 389 | 307 | 71 | 111 | |
| Technical and related | 304 | 116 | 152 | 105 | |
| Totals | 2,517 | 1,212 | 1,205 | 481 | |
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* eg, research staff funded by research councils, charities and industry, endowed chairs, etc

Financial figures

The University's financial figures are available in a separate volume, 2003-2004 Financial Statements.

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^{**} includes trades (works and buildings)