University of Warwick Computing Society

Welcome Talk + Q&A

Hi.

What to expect from this talk

- **Who we are**
  - The Elevator Pitch
  - Our Partners
  - The Team
- **What we do**
  - Academic
  - Gaming
  - Social
  - Inclusivity
  - Tech
- **What to look forward to**
- **Course Overview**
  - CATS
  - Modules
  - Support Available
- Life around Campus
  - Shops
  - Eating Out
  - The General Area
- Q&A
  - Ask us anything!
  - No really, anything

What's the Computing Society?

We're the society for anyone with an interest in Computer Science (woah)

Academic Events

Revision sessions, industry talks, courses, student talks, workshops, competitions, and support sessions. No matter your experience, we're here to help you pick up some skills.

Weekly gaming nights with PCs, consoles and VR, a termly 48h LAN packed with events, and WASD, the UK's largest student-run charity speedrunning event - raising >£6000!

Gaming Events

Get to know us and your coursemates at our socials. We run both sober and drinking events; so join one of our barbecues, circles or pub meals - whatever takes your fancy!

Social Events

Made for Everyone!

Our society is free-to-join, and open to all types of degrees and backgrounds. We have dedicated inclusivity officers running events for under-represented genders in the society - Wildcards!

tifarious investment in this university by all manner of military-industrial parasites. We have papers that show extensive military parasites. We have papers that show extensive military research at Warwick University and we are about to begin a campaign under the slogan "Get the military off campus". Help ban nuclear weapons and join us in a new and important struggle - the prevention of the plutonium society. Contact: G. Matthews, c/o CND Society, Union pigeon holes.

COMMUNIST SOC.

The 'Com Soc' will work closely with the Communist Party of Great Britain, though is not actually a part of that organisation. We will organise regular public meetings with outside speakers. In previous years we have run educational courses and hope to repeat these in this academic year. Additionally we arrange debates with societies of different political views.

We also run a successful book stall, with a large range of both books and left wing periodicals.

We try to involve members in areas of non-student politics and to encourage people to attend outside events such as the Communist University of London.

Next year may prove to be very interesting due to much confusion over the role and

More details of specific projects can be found on page 60.

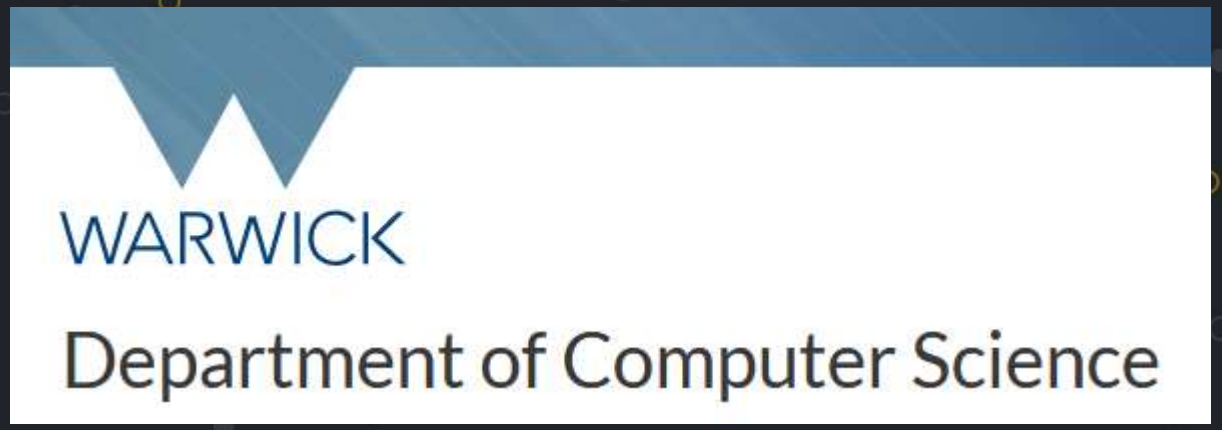
COMPUTER SCIENCE SOC.

The main aim of the Computer Science Society is to help people who are interested in computers to get together in order to pursue this interest. To this end we organise trips to appropriate places. We don't, however, just go to any computer installation, we try to pick places out of the ordinary. Proposed trips for next year include the weather centre, where there is highly sophisticated computer equipment to forecast the weather, and a computerised brewery. We also organise social events, which in the past have proved very popular, as it gives people a chance to meet in convivial surroundings.

CONSERVATIVE SOC.

The Conservative Association aims to present a common sense approach to the issues of the day, particularly those directly concerning the student, as opposed to some of the obscure issues that the left tend to present (who then wonder why UGMs are inquorate!)

We’re affiliated with...



The Exec Team

Keegan

"President"

he/him

Alex

Treasurer

he/him

Owen

Secretary

he/him

Joey

Treasurer

he/him

The Exec Team

Alia

Academic Coordinator

she/her

Jacob

Gaming Coordinator

he/him

Sam

Academic Coordinator

he/him

Max

Academic Coordinator

he/him

The Exec Team

Laurence

Gaming Coordinator

he/him

Matthew

Social Sec

he/him

Constantinos

Gaming Coordinator

he/him

Kunal

Social Sec

he/him

The Exec Team

Felix

Tech Team

he/him

Preya

Gender Inclusivity

she/her

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Social Sec & Tech Team

they/them

Adam

Tech Team

he/him

The Exec Team

Jenny

Gender Inclusivity
(President)
she/her

Andreea

Publicity
she/her

Ella

Publicity
she/they

Brendan

Publicity
he/him

The Exec Team

You?

Fresher Rep Election:

Week 5, Friday
DCS Atrium

What We Do

An Overview

Courses & Workshops

Cross-Society Python Course

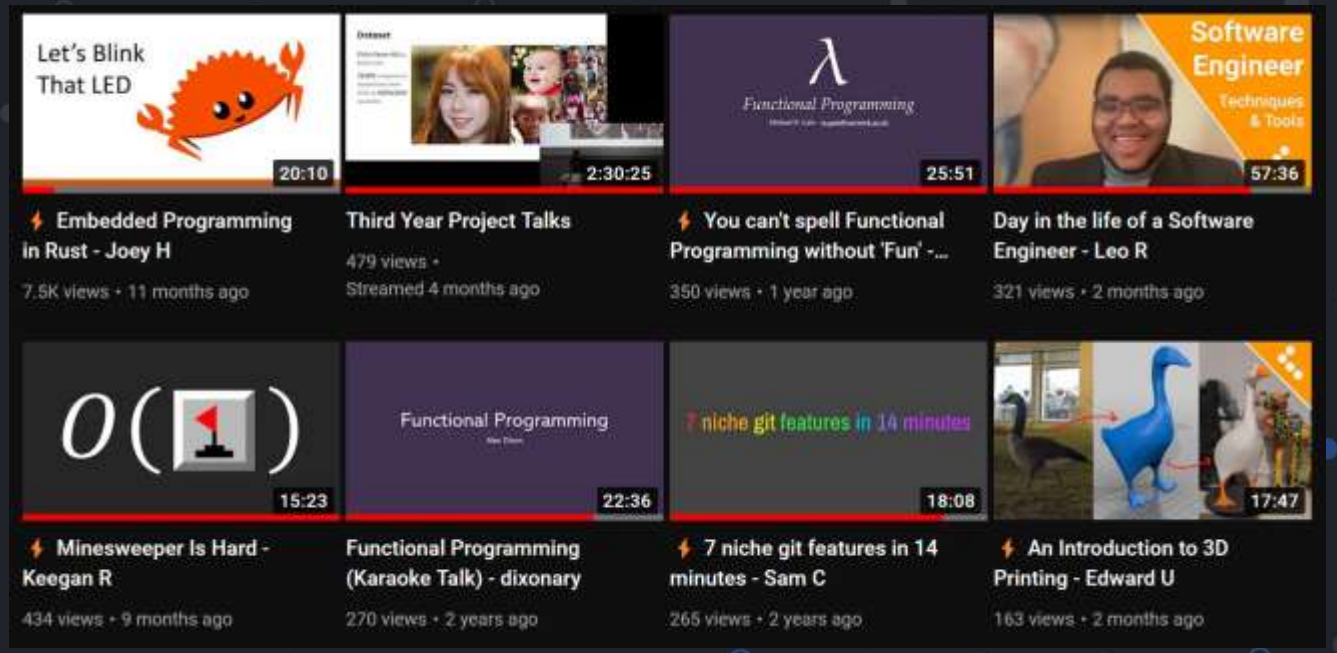
Rust Course

UWCS

Version Control Mini-Course

Hardware Labs

Talks



Talks, from both Industry and our student community

LIGHTNING TALKS

Learn Something New, Whereever You Are

Got a cool topic?
Get in touch.

Challenges

Advent of Code

RESEARCH

NETMINDE
A LLOYD'S REGISTER COMPANY

BAE SYSTEMS

Hash Code

UWCS Challenge

Subject Support

Revision Sessions
And Resources

Coursework Drop-Ins

ChemCafe &
PhysCafe
Python Help

Dedicated
Support
Channels

An Overview

Friday Night Gaming

- A wide variety of Consoles and games
- Valve Index VR Setup
- Steam on the Linux Machines
- DRM-Free games via GamingGet
- Weekly Tournaments and Challenges

We Booked Out A Room for 2 Days

- Bring your own Computer?
  - Massive power cables and extension leads that can support over 80 people
  - We also have the regular gaming stuff, don’t worry
- Jam Packed Full of Events:
  - A variety of tournaments and challenges
  - A big ol’ Quiz Night
  - Society Collabs

Charity Speedrunning

SPEEDRUNNING FOR CHARITY 2022

Supporting

We've raised over **£6000** to date!

An Overview

Common Socials

Quiz Night

Meals Out and About

Pub Crawls

Circling

One-off Socials

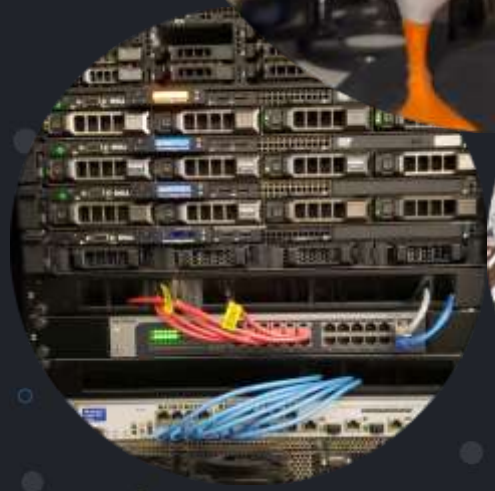
Bletchley Park

BBQs & Picnics

Collaborations

An Overview

Tech Team



We have our own servers

- You can use them to host your own scripts, websites, and bots.
- We also host many society websites
- They’re going to be upgraded very soon!!

You can also request free 3D prints from us

We also host a bunch of open source projects

- You’re free to contribute
- Not just for us, but for future Warwick students.

An Overview

Inclusivity & Wildcards

We’re free-to-join, and open to anyone

But, we also have a gender inclusivity team

We host dedicated events for Women and Non-Binary students – Wildcards!

Talk to Jenny or Preya to get an invite to the Wildcards Whatsapp!

An Overview

We also do Merch sometimes

Upcoming Events

Welcome Week

Tuesday

Wildcards* BBQ
Windmill Hill
4pm

Wednesday

Git Good
CS1.04
3pm

Pub Meal
Phantom Coach
5pm

Upcoming Events

Welcome Week

Thursday

Societies Fair
Sports Hub
10am-5pm

Friday

Gaming Night
CS Dept.
7pm

Quiz Night
CS Dept.
9pm

Upcoming Events

Term 1 Calendar

Upcoming Events

and more to come... *uwcs.co.uk/events*

Course Information

DISCLAIMER

This section contains some information specific to DCS students.
However, this is mainly used as an example to explain various concepts.

We need to explain CATS
1 Module = 15 CATS

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1 Year = 120 CATS

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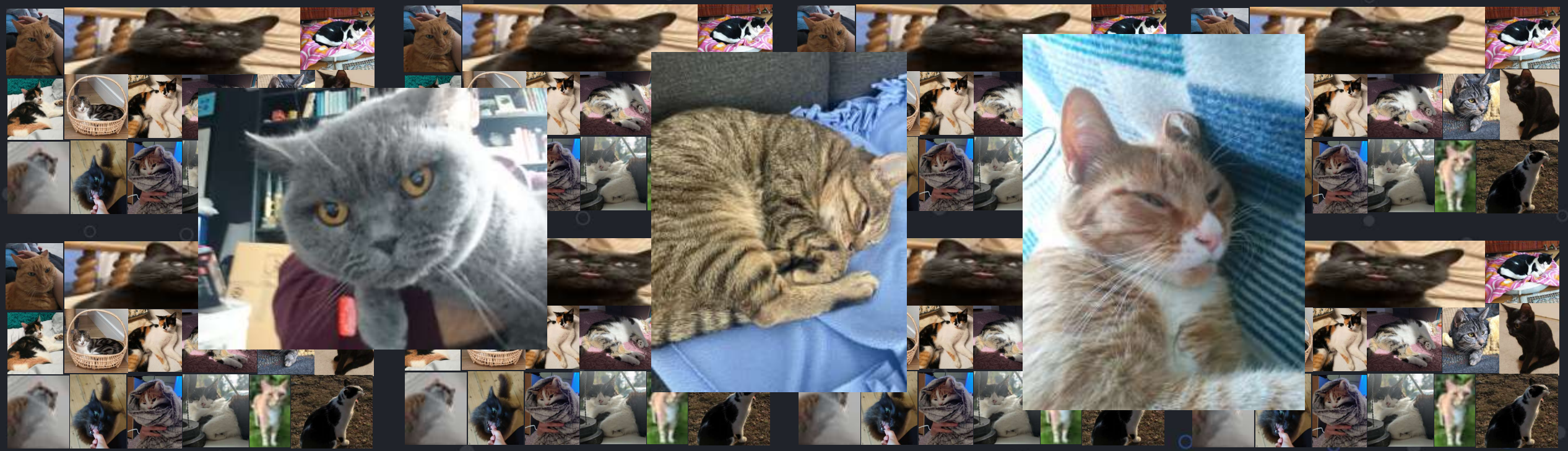


1 Year = 120-150 CATS

Core Modules (Year 1 CS)

Term 1		Term 2
CS118 – Programming for CS	**Programming**	Design of Info Structures – CS126
CS130 – Mathematics for CS 1	**Maths**	Mathematics for CS 2 – CS131
CS133 – Professional Skills		
CS132 – Computer Organisation & Architecture		

90 CATS Total

Optional Modules (Year 1 CS)

Term 1

CS140 – Computer Security

PH144 – Mind and Reality

LLXXX – Foreign Language [??? CATS]

Term 2

CS139 – Web Development

CS141 – Functional Programming

Term 3

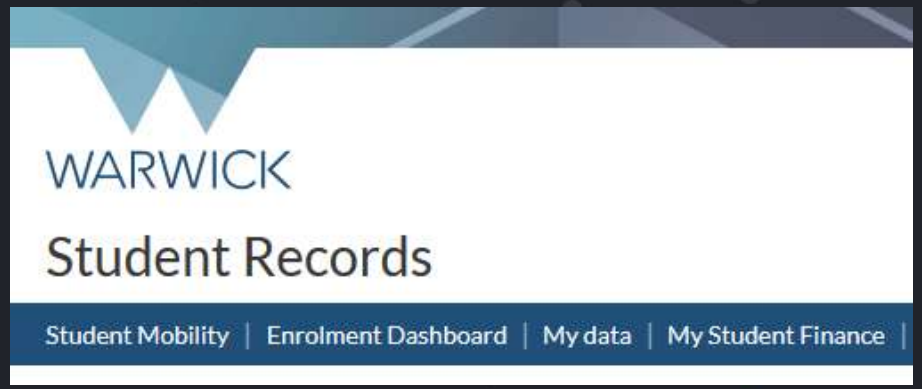
IB104 – Mathematical Programming 1 [12 CATS]

watch out!

Joint Degrees have less CATS for optional modules, but can choose from more departments.

30-60 CATS Left

Module Registration



https://warwick.ac.uk/evision

You need to register your optional modules on **Student Records**.

You can register up until the end of Week 2, in both Term 1 and Term 2

If you complete more than 10% of a module, you can no longer deregister.

When Term 3 starts, you can no longer deregister.

Personal Tutors

- A member of your department, assigned at the start of your course.
  - Your first point of contact for any uni-related questions
- You'll meet with them at the start of each term
- They might not always have the answer to your question, but can usually direct you to someone who will.
  - (Some personal tutors are more responsive than others)

SSLC

- Consists of 2 (usually elected) student representatives from each year and degree, and members of the department.
- They meet twice a term to discuss feedback and share information
  - Don’t expect miracles
- The chair of the SSLC is allegedly a big nerd

Life Around Campus

Things you should know

Spending

The Area

Shops

Rootes – Expensive, but convenient

Tesco – Big store, most things, just off-campus

Iceland – Occasionally something worth buying

ALDI - Generally the best value for money

Eating Out

Warwick SU

- The Dirty Duck
- Curiositea
- The Bread Oven

Cannon Park

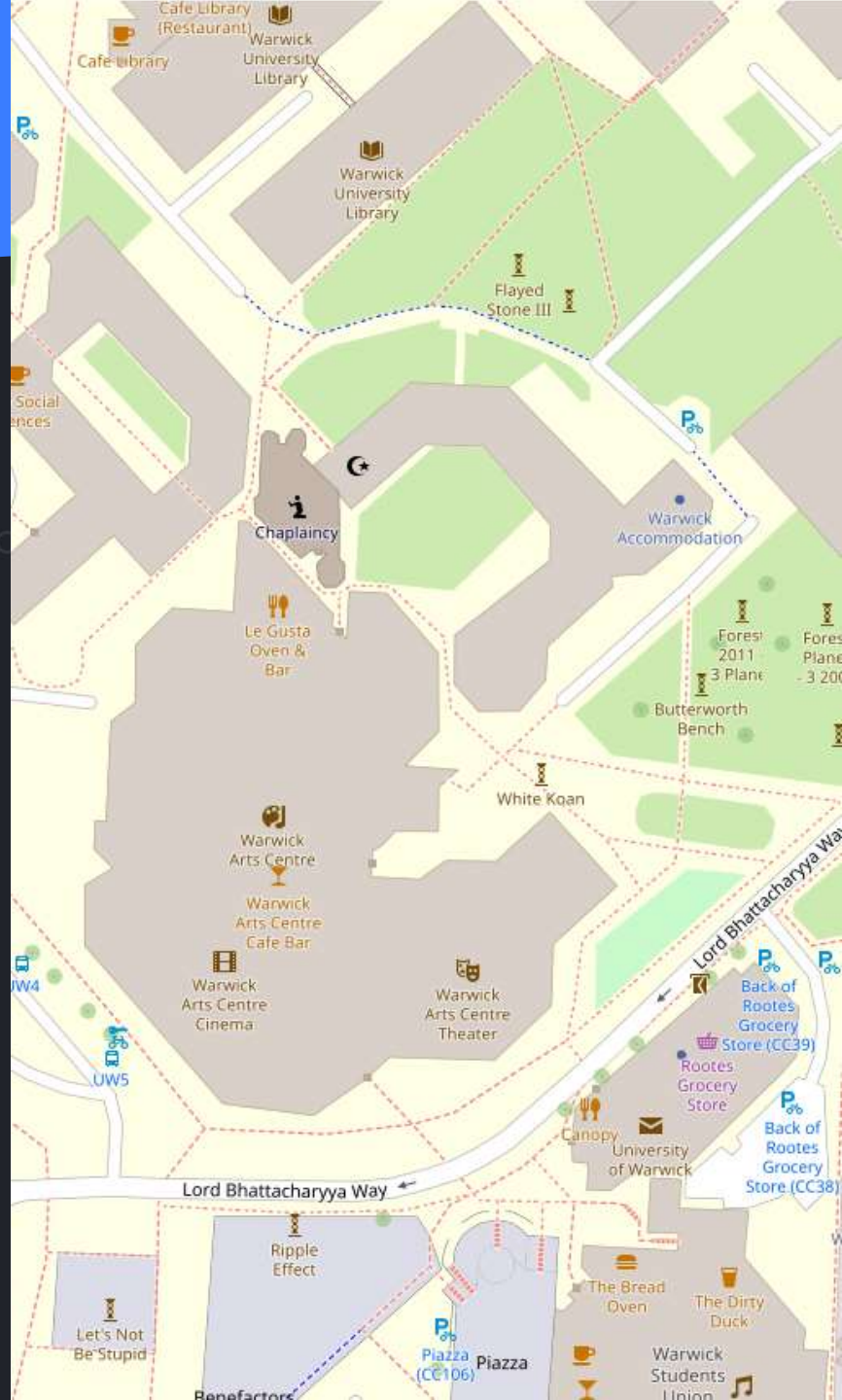
- Greggs
- Subway
- Indian Street Food
- Dessert'd

Uni-Owned

- Café Library
- Arts Centre Bar
- FAB Café
- Street Food Trucks (Wednesday)

Near Campus

- Varsity
- The Phantom Coach
- Fish & Chips



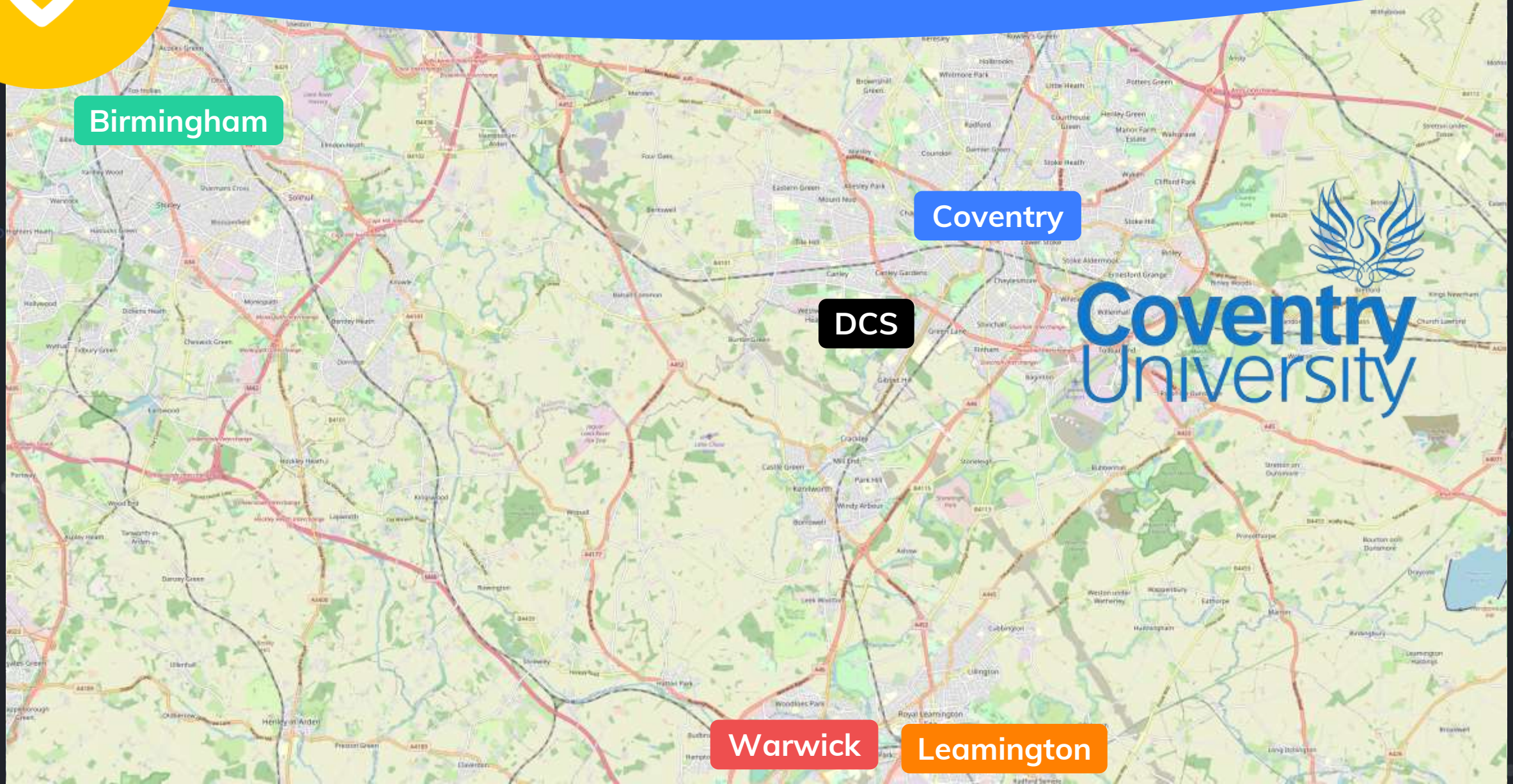
The Area

Okay, let's get the obvious point out of the way:

- As the name suggests, the **University of Warwick** is in **Warwick**

Right?

Where actually is Warwick?



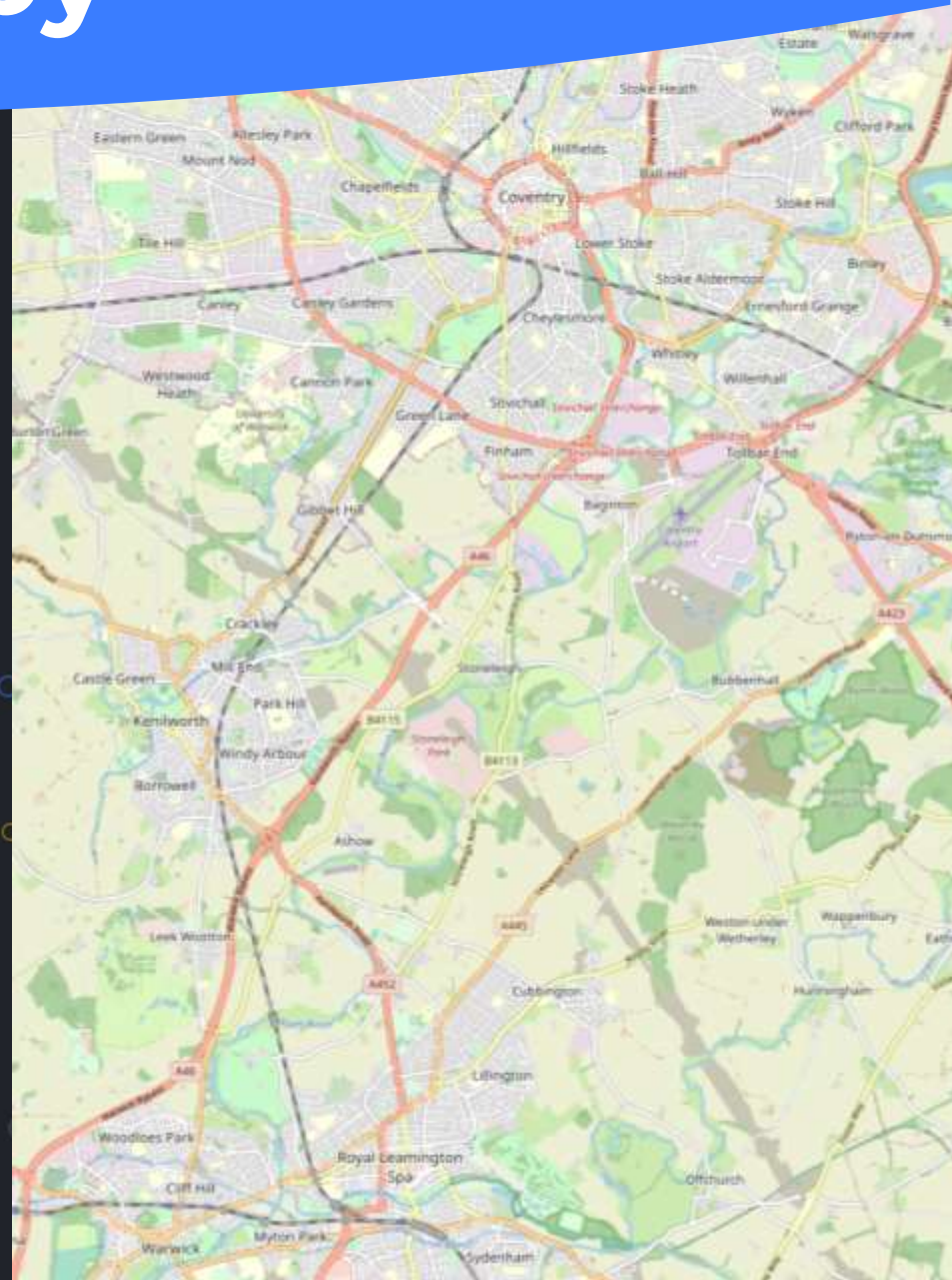
Places Nearby

Canley – The area around the University

Coventry – Has more shops than Canley

Leamington – Has more nightclubs than Canley

Kenilworth – Impossible to get a bus in for 9am



A Word of Warning

- As you're new to the university, you may be approached by certain people
- They will try to get you to code something for them
- Their goal is usually to exploit your labour for little to no compensation
- **Do not engage with them. If they're at a society event, let us know.**

go.uwcs.uk/links

Consider joining the Society, checking out our Discord, and following our Instagram!

Q & A Time

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