WaterAid and your university!









Welcome to WaterAid!

WaterAid's University Team have put together this pack to take you through some of the best opportunities for students to get involved with our work.

Clean water for drinking, decent sanitation and essential handwashing facilities have never been more vital. Included are ways students can support by: volunteering, fundraising, campaigning and raising awareness about WaterAid on campus.

Inside are tangible ways for students to contribute to a safer, healthier world – all whilst developing essential professional and social skills too!

We hope you will promote these opportunities, get your student community involved and transform lives together







What do WaterAid do?



We've always worked tirelessly to ensure **clean water, decent sanitation and good hygiene** for the world's most vulnerable people. By tackling these three essentials in ways that last, people can change their lives for good. And right now, our work is especially important.



Our teams around the world are working urgently to implement our expertise by providing access to handwashing essentials to stop the spread of coronavirus. By providing essentials, inspiring people and working closely with partners, we can implement immediate and lasting change in some of the poorest communities across the world.



What we're doing now:

- We're protecting the most vulnerable people by making sure they have essentials like soap, hand sanitiser and disinfectant.
- We're promoting hygiene best practice through mass public health awareness campaigns
- We're campaigning for governments and donors to prioritise getting water and hygiene to everyone

With access to these fundamentals, everything can change





Get involved with WaterAid: Fresher's 2020

Take part in our #LipSinkChallenge

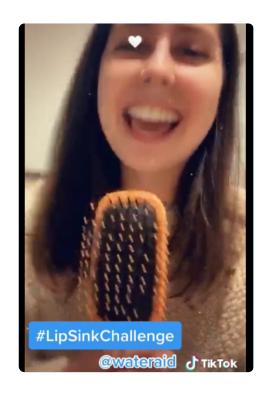
72 million people don't have a clean and safe space to manage their period. In the build up to International Day of the Girl on 11 October, we're asking students to post their best lip sync to an inspirational song by a female artist, performed in a bathroom. There are prizes – including a year's supply of custom period products, celebrity designed merch and more! To enter, follow WaterAid and post a public video using the hashtag #LipSinkChallenge between 5 and 11 October

Vote in our Art of Change competition

Artists have the power to inspire change - and **now we need your voice and your vote** to help pick a winning piece of art. Every vote shows that the world wants to see leaders double their investment in water and hygiene to tackle COVID-19.

Cast your vote here.









Volunteer with WaterAid and turn your passion into action

Are you passionate about everyone having access to clean water? Do you want to make a difference during your time at university?

These are some of the ways you can support.

Set up, or join, a WaterAid Society

Up and down the country groups of dedicated students are starting and growing WaterAid Societies, acting as campaigners, fundraisers, lobbyers and all-round legends.

Find existing societies, and a source of inspiration, here. **Join them, won't you?**

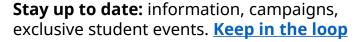
Become a WaterAid Student Ambassador

As a Student Ambassador, you'll be the voice of WaterAid at your university. You will unite your fellow students to the WaterAid cause and boost your fundraising efforts on campus.

Get on board and register your interest <u>here</u>.









Fundraise for WaterAid and bring water, worldwide

Are you passionate about everyone having access to clean water? Do you want to make a difference during your time at university?

These are some of the ways you can support.

Fundraise:

Skydives. Head shaves. Walks across the length of the country carrying a bag of sand. All legit ways incredible people have fundraised for us - and you could join them. Or if you prefer something a little less daring, a humble cake sale always goes down well.















- Check out our <u>Virtual</u>
 <u>Fundraising Guide</u> for more ideas
- Share a language, learn to dance and bring access to water worldwide!
 Join, or set up, a <u>4Water class</u>
- If you're part of your university RAG, why not nominate WaterAid as charity of the year?

Stay up to date: information, campaigns, exclusive student events. **Keep in the loop**



But don't take it from us...

Hear what our student supporters have to say

"I've absolutely loved being a part of Notts WaterAid group this year from discussing the importance of WaterAid and their work at the freshers fair, to organising and running exciting fundraising events throughout the year.

The opportunity to meet new like-minded people and work together to really make a difference has been highly rewarding."

- **Libby** WaterAid Society committee member





"It was nice to meet people at uni who were passionate about fundraising and raising awareness for a cause as important as this. Not only did we get to throw fun socials and events to raise money for WaterAid, but we also managed to partner up with other charities on and off campus to organise joint events. The WA team have given us as a society so much support throughout the year and we've loved working with them."

- Sruthi WaterAid Society President

"Fundraising for WaterAid has been one of the most rewarding experiences during my time at university! It gave me an avenue to make new friends, create and be a part of a community of students who are all so passionate about helping others and giving.

I chose to support WaterAid because of their intimate connections to communities around the globe. For instance, I was inspired by their advocacy for women in facilitating toilets, water, and sanitation in parts of the global south, where period poverty is rife.

This meant young girls and women could now focus on getting an education as opposed to simply having to participate in the labour of gathering of water; or skipping school due to the taboo of periods."

- Nasteha WaterAid Student Ambassador



