

Understanding atheism

An atheist is someone who does not have a belief in god. An agnostic is usually the same thing. Both accept the possibility there could be god but do not currently have a belief in one.

Humanism is the belief that you can live a happy and fulfilling life without religion.

Humanism encompasses atheism and agnosticism - but is an active positive response building on these responses to religion.



We believe in making the most of this life.

Humanists believe in individual rights and freedoms but believe that individual responsibility, social cooperation and mutual respect are just as important.

Most "non-believers" actually believe in a great deal - notably making the most of the **One Life** we do have and living full and enjoyable lives.

About LUU Atheist Society

LUU Atheist Society is a group that represents atheists, Humanists, secularists and the many other strands of free thinkers in the student body.

We have a completely open membership policy - whether you're an atheist, Humanist, agnostic, Pastafarian or even religious you are welcome (and yes, we actually do have plenty of religious members).

The society runs a huge range of events including talks, debates, video screenings, socials, courses and trips.

Highlights of our year include our annual weekend in London, our Darwin Day celebration, our Galileo Day feast and many other events.

We're very big in encouraging interfaith events too having organized many debates and interfaith panels as well

as our highly acclaimed Perspective course.

We are also a founding member of the National Federation of Atheist, Humanist and Secular Student Societies (better known as the AHS) and continue to play a key role as the biggest free thinking student society in the United Kingdom.

To find out more speak to someone this week or check us out online:

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LUU Atheist Society presents... Rationalist Week 2009

One world. One life. Live it. Love it.



Hi! I'm Norman Ralph, president of the LUU Atheist Society. I'd like to welcome you to this year's Rationalist Week, our annual awareness week dedicated to promoting reason and free thought.

Once again this year's event will be the biggest event we have ever done and I believe that this year's event will not only top our previous events, but every other awareness week on campus too.

You'll find our tent open 24 hours a day for the duration of the week so any time you want to pop in for a hot drink and a chat, we'll be here.

We're also running a huge range of events throughout the week here in the tent - this leaflet contains a full events timetable to see if anything takes your fancy.

Normally at this point I would discuss the highlights of our week but there are just too many so just take a look for yourself!

Events Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6am	Breakfast Start the day right with free food till 9	Breakfast Start the day right with free food till 9	Breakfast Start the day right with free food till 9	Breakfast Start the day right with free food till 9	Breakfast Start the day right with free food till 9
10am	Find out about our Ethical Meat campaign	It's Only Water reveals the truth behind homeopathy	Information on the Pro Life Through Pro Choice campaign	Get yourself registered on the Organ Donor's List	Do something amazing - give blood , find out how
12 noon	Introduction to rationalism talk by Norman Ralph	Talk on evolution by Dr. Richard Parker	Talk by Dr. Gijsbert Stoet	Ask an Atheist - come down and ask our panel anything!	Where do atheists get their morals? Talk by Chris Worfolk
2pm	The amazingly improbable universe talk by Jonni Lomax	Why are evil dictators always atheists? Talk by Norman Ralph	Talk on the gnome by Sam Williams	Was Jesus an atheist? Talk by Chris Worfolk	How to have better sex talk by Nicola Jackson and Sophie Stringfellow
4pm	Board games - scrabble, monopoly, etc	Cartoons with religious themes - Simpsons, Family Guy, etc	Test your general knowledge with our pub quiz	Use your craft skills at make your own god	Get rid of your paranoia with breaking the superstitions
7pm	Gender and religion talk by Christopher Tedd	Debate with the Islamic Society	Debate with the Christian Union	LBGT talk by Dr. Richard Parker	Talk by Mike Lake of Derbyshire Secularists & Humanists
9pm	What is Humanism? Talk by Chris Worfolk	Join us for some food at our dinner party	Some musical entertainment with our band night	Service for the Church of the Flying Spaghetti Monster.	Student stories of why they are atheists
10pm+	Grab a free hot drink at Recharge	Grab a free hot drink at Recharge	Grab a free hot drink at Recharge	Grab a free hot drink at Recharge	Hot drinks and chat at All Night Debate