

What's Coming Up? (Dates for your Diary!)

We have some fantastic events lined up which we're all very excited about! There will be talks, given by experts, on **Freedom of Speech and Protection of Religious Beliefs** (12th October); and the **Extra-terrestrial Origins of Life on Earth** (23rd November). We host many Interfaith events such as **Interfaith Panel** (9th November), a debate on **Ethics from Religion** (30th November), and one event not to be missed will be our **Charity Quiz Night** (26th October), last year we raised over £100 in two hours for **Amnesty UK**. The **One Life** course will be running every Friday from 31st September. There is also our **Weekend Away in Edinburgh** (26th–28th November); previous trips have been enjoyed by all and we're expecting more of the same this year!

Contact Us and Useful Links

For more information contact us via any of the following:

Website: <http://leeds.atheistsoc.org/>

Sign up at: <http://www.leedsuniversityunion.org.uk/club-sandsocieties/faithandculture/Atheist/>

Email: leeds@atheistsoc.org

Facebook: Leeds Atheist Society (group)

Our great program of events kicks off with our

Intro Meeting

followed by **Karaoke & Cocktails at D-Fusion** on

Tuesday 28th September @ 7pm

in the Union Building – look for the guys in jade hoodies!

See you there!

Welcome To Leeds



**Come to our Intro Meeting
on Tuesday 28th September at 7pm!**

Who are Leeds Atheist Society?

We are THE largest free-thought student organisations in the UK and are committed to providing a forum for secular discussion, rationalist thinking and representing non-religious students at the University. We are undoubtedly the most active student atheist society in the country, averaging four events a week during term time, ranging from a course evenings to the weekly social. We are very active Nationally as well, Leeds was a founding member of The National Federation of Atheist, Humanist and Secularist students or the AHS for short.

What We Do

Weekly Meetings: Tuesdays 7pm in The Union Building

This is our Atheist night, we have a diverse range of events! We have talks on Atheism, Science, Rationalism and Secularism. We also do film/documentary showings, formal debates, charity fundraisers and plenty of other interesting stuff! Forthcoming events can be found on the back page. See you next Tuesday

Socials: 9pm Various Bars and Pubs

Our weekly social, come down, have a drink and a chat with great company. Check the website or Facebook group for location.

Special Events: Various Times and dates

We have our annual celebrations such as The Winter Solstice meal, Darwin Day, The Galileo Day Feast and our End of Year Ball. These are always great fun!

Reason Week: 7th–11th March 2011

This is our flagship event of the year! It is a week of talks, formal debates and open discussions on atheism, reason and science. Leeds pioneered these awareness weeks and now societies all over the country hold similar events.

Courses: Fridays 7pm in The Union Building

One Life runs in Semester One – A course about Life, the Universe and Everything! We ask questions like ‘what is the meaning of life?’, ‘where do we get our morals?’ and ‘why should we be good?’, and rather than resorting to religion, we approach these questions from a secular perspective.

Impure runs at the end of Semester One. The course will involve discussions about the morality and ethics surrounding sex and relationships.

Perspective runs in Semester Two. This course is for anyone who has an interest in religion, and aims to encourage dialogue between the faith and non-faith communities. Each week a speaker from a different faith is invited down to tell us about their beliefs and answer any questions you may have.

Answers runs after the Spring break. Many people consider themselves Atheists but find it difficult to explain why they hold these views or to defend them when debating a theist. **Answers** is here to help people explain why they don't believe.

Weekend Away: 26th–28th November 2010

One of the highlights of every year is our weekend away. This year we have decided to go north of the border and visit **Edinburgh!** We will be providing both travel and accommodation in our ticket price, as well as an itinerary packed full of things to do! We will be visiting some of the many tourist attractions in the city by day, and at night of course we will be hitting the bars and clubs! Speak to a committee member to register your interest.