

Nina Freedman for UJS President

Hi, I'm Nina, a third-year student at the University of Bristol! Previously, I was JSoc President and I now represent UJS on the Board of Deputies. Since the pandemic hit, it has been impossible for JSocs and UJS to function normally. We need to make an extra effort, now more than ever, to keep our students connected to both their Jewish community and wider student body. As your UJS President, I would work hard to reconnect you to the things you might have lost and to keep our union engaging, intersectional and representative.

This is my plan to reconnect UJS:

Reconnecting students post pandemic

- Help JSocs to prep FND packs to be sent out to students.
- Online support for JSocs during the pandemic, including Zoom training.
- Connect JSocs nationally through large-scale online events.

Ensuring all students feel connected

- Appoint advisory Liberation committee with representatives of all Liberation groups.
- Connect students to local Orthodox and progressive spaces.

Connecting old and new students

- Alumni network to offer career opportunities and advice to current students.
- Contact with ex-students to advise on IHRA and BDS.

Connecting with the wider student community

- Work with SUs across the country to run Antisemitism Awareness Weeks.
- Partner with other faith versions of UJS to work on shared challenges.
- Commemorate current and past humanitarian crises outside of the Jewish community.
- Establish more Israel-Palestine discussion groups.

Connecting students to UJS

- Create a wellbeing hotline open to all students during working hours, manned by a sabbatical officer with mental health training.
- Greater President accountability with monthly Q&As.