

Esther Offenberg for UJS President

#THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT THE FUTURE IS OFFENBERG

I'm Esther, an Israeli from Berlin, a 3rd year Psychology student at the University of Birmingham. I am an ex JSoc committee member, ex NUS Delegate and DPC committee member at NUS. Let's make our union even better and more exciting by offering Jewish students practical solutions and ideas to address the issues they're facing and give them the support they deserve.

The Peel

- Social action →
 - Bring back JUEFA cup football tournament and Jewniversity challenge.
 - Organise, support and encourage student led cross-campus events such as a UJS Tough Mudder team and sky diving.
 - Establish stronger links between JSocs and Student Unions for more Holocaust education events.
- Israel →
 - Create UJS Middle Eastern conference for students to discuss and learn about social, political, cultural and religious issues in Israel and the Middle East region.
 - Set up an online journal for students, youth movements and organisations to share views, opinion pieces and stories on anything from politics to interfaith work.

The Segments

- Regional →
 - Training: Build upon Scotland and London summits and create regional training for those who find it challenging to attend the UJS Summit because of locations and/or election times.
 - Networking: Organise, support and encourage cross-campus networking with Shabbatons, clubbing events, social action campaigns, and more.
- Activism →
 - With the rise of anti-Semitism, I want to help Jewish students feel empowered to be pro-active rather than re-active.
 - Through teaching students how to write statements, establish strong relationships with their Student Unions, confront hate crime, inform and reassure their JSocs and feel empowered to stand up for Jewish students.

Orange Juice

- Mental Health →
 - Create a peer support network.
 - Adapt the reclaim campaign for local use.
 - Give UJS Staff and JSoc committee members first aid training.
 - Create campaigns to tackle men's mental health stigma and offer targeted support.

- Careers →
 - Build upon the pre-existing UJS careers network by introducing a mentoring system.
- International students →
 - Create a buddy system.
 - Reach out to international students before they arrive at university.