



Hello and Welcome to the Sidney Sussex College!

Congratulations on being accepted at Cambridge and at Sidney! We're very excited to have you here and to get to know you!

So first, a little about us. All graduate students at Sidney are automatically members of the Sidney Sussex Middle Combination Room (the **MCR**). This is a confusing name, because the MCR is indeed a physical room in College, but also the name given to the wider community of graduate students – you'll get used to it! In both senses of the term, the MCR is a space where friendships are forged, and memories made. The MCR community is where many of us turn to for social engagement and welfare support. This is organised by the executive committee of the MCR, of which we serve as presidents. We organise events such as formals, conferences, and brunches as well as offer welfare support in various ways. We also act as a conduit between graduate students and college.

To make your transition into Cambridge easier, the MCR Committee has organised a range of activities over Freshers' Week. The week kicks off on September 30th and includes a garden party, a visit to the theatre, several welfare brunches, a pub crawl, and a tour of the city... - have a look for yourself! It also includes some serious activities such as consent workshops and inductions to the College library. A final version of the Freshers' Week timetable will be circulated to you and uploaded on our website. Freshers' Week is a great time to get to know your College, your peers, as well as old Sidknights, and we hope to see you there.

While we wait for you to get here, we also encourage you to join our online communities:

- Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/142424815783055>
- WhatsApp chat <https://chat.whatsapp.com/DDzfj10dxoQ6MGwDKN0kuq>
- Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/sidneysussexmcr/>

And check our Website <https://sidneymcr.soc.srccf.net/wordpress/committee/> for any further information about the Committee and don't hesitate to reach out if you have questions!

Until very soon!!

Elisa & Ines

(VP and President of MCR 2022/2023)