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Interns	Introduction
Adam Taylor	My name is Adam Taylor and I am the DDMI intern responsible for CMS management and material design. As a third-year undergraduate, I am writing my dissertation on the genealogy of political society, alongside my studies in historical sociology and political philosophy, and most look forward to assisting in the historical and departmental scholarship within the institute.
Tom Fraser	I am a third-year undergraduate studying International Politics. The academic interests I have so far pursued are intelligence and espionage history during the Cold War and contemporary liberal state-building paradigms. I am also interested in how the perceptions states hold of one another can affect their relations and the applications of social constructivist theory in IR. As part of the DDMI, I will be responsible for creating the write-ups of lectures, talks and events hosted by the DDMI, in addition to researching the history of the department alongside Adam.
Charlotte DePersis	Charlotte is an MA student in the International Politics (Specialist) program. She studied International Relations during her undergrad in California, where she focused on East Asian security and US-Sino relations. This year she will be working on the DDMI's Alliances and Trust Building in International Politics project.
Maddalena Landi	Hi all! I'm Maddalena, I'm a third-year student in International Politics and I originally come from Italy. The biggest (true) stereotype that I carry with pride from my home country is that I love food, making it, eating it and thinking about it. Other than that, I have worked and volunteered for various NGOs across the globe which has given me experiences that continuously inform what I study in Aberystwyth. For the David Davies Memorial Institute, I will be in charge of writing the announcements and press releases for the events that will be held throughout the year. Moreover, I will be researching into the topic of inside attacks in Afghanistan.
Yasmine Seghir	My name is Yasmine Seghir, and I am an MA student in International Politics at Aber as a US-UK Fulbright Postgraduate Scholar. I completed my BA in Political Science at Vassar College this past May where I focused on decolonial and postcolonial IR, critical

Fraya Reynolds Lee	and post-structural theories, and African politics. I am excited to be a part of DDMI this year, and to (hopefully) contribute to the Institute's mission for multidisciplinary approaches to IR. I'm a Master's student in International Politics after graduating from Aberystwyth with a BA in International Politics and English Literature. My interests are in international development, food security and gender in the international. I also have strong ties to community activism in regard to environmental protection and sustainability.
Monica Cronin	My name is Monica, and I'm enrolled in the Master's (Specialist) in International Politics. I did my undergraduate work in American Military History, and I'm hoping to be able to bring that experience to bear in the field of InterPol - which is all new to me! This year I'll be providing logistic support for DDMI events and helping to update its online presence - when I'm not doing that or holed up somewhere with a stack of reading for my classes, you'll find me wandering around Aberystwyth snapping pictures of the gorgeous sunsets and getting lost on all its hidden footpaths.
Fredrik Alexander Fjær Matre	I am an undergraduate student from Norway reading for a bachelor's in International Politics and Intelligence Studies at Aberystwyth. I am honoured to be able to contribute to the DDMI in any way shape or form. I am currently working on the David Davies Books Project as well as researching the DDMI's historical involvement in environmental politics. My areas of interest include environmentalism (including environmental politics and activism), civil society activism (more broadly), and social-democratism.