

BSA Emotions Study Group

Annual Report

The Emotions Study Group **aims** to stimulate sociological research on the relevance of emotions and affect across all domains of social life, including work and employment, culture, the economy, politics, social movements, family, and all forms of intersecting inequalities. It aims to develop theoretical, methodological tools and detailed analyses of the emotional quality of patterned social life.

Membership has grown to 333 as of 30th May 2025.

BSA Members	50
Non-members	283

Our activities have remained online during 2024/25, to maximize opportunities to participate from those with time, health, and caring pressures, as well as from internationally based colleagues.

This year, we have commenced a **seminar series** on current and relevant themes related to the Sociologies of Emotion. We held one seminar in the Autumn and one in the Spring semester – both were very well-attended and enabled a useful space for furthering contemporary discussions and unpacking concepts in the Sociology of Emotion. We will continue this seminar series in the next academic year.

Planning for our **annual symposium** is also underway, with the event due to take place on Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd July 2025 (half days each). The event will focus on *Emotions and Social Justice: Politics, Polarisation and Activism*.

As of 31st December 2024, the **account balance** for the Emotions study group was **£614.55**.

The study group **convenors** are:

Georgie Akehurst (Edinburgh, UK), Vrinda Chopra (Ashoka University, India), Anna Gillions (Coventry, UK), Rachel Lewis (Warwick, UK) and Alice Menzel (Birmingham, UK)