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The Manifestos

Question Time Night 1

Sunday 23rd February
19:00 Rubix
Community, Ethics and
Environment, International,
Welfare

Question Time Night 2

Monday 24th February
19:00 Rubix
Editor In Chief, Education,
Equality and Diversity,
Post Graduate, Sports and
Recreation

Question Time Night 3

Tuesday 25th February
19:00 Rubix
Communications, Events and
Trading, President, Societies
and Individual Development,
Union Chair



The University of Surrey
Students' Union

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SurreyDecides Elections 2014

Introduction

The Students' Union elections take place each year and are your chance to vote for the people who will represent you next year. Any Surrey student can be a candidate in the election, and any student can vote.

The students who win the election will lead the Students' Union in the 2014/15 academic year, some will work there full time and will be paid, and some will continue with their studies and become part time volunteer officers.

What positions are available?

The Union will be electing five full time officer positions, called Sabbatical Officers - these positions are paid roles, working full time in the Students' Union to represent students:

Full Time Positions

- President
- VP Education
- VP Welfare
- VP Societies and Individual Development
- VP Sports and Recreation

For more information about what the full time roles involve, you can read the sabbatical blogs.

Part time positions:

We will also be electing our part time officer team, called Student Officers, which together with the Sabbatical Officers make up the Executive. Our part time officers continue as students, but volunteer as officers on the Union exec at the same time.

- Union Chairperson and student trustee of the Students' Union
- 7 part time executive officers:
 - Communications Officer
 - Community Officer
 - Ethics and Environment Officer
 - Equality and Diversity Officer
 - Events and Trading Officer
 - International Development Officer
 - Postgraduate Development Officer
 - RAG Chair
 - Editor In Chief

If you have any complaints about any aspect of the elections including the conduct of a candidate or their campaign team contact:

Charlie Eastaugh, Returning Officer at c.eastaugh@surrey.ac.uk as soon as possible.

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Election Timetable

Date and Time	Event
Thursday 13th February - Midnight 26th February	Campaigning Period
Sunday 23rd February	Question Time - Community, Ethics and Environment, International, Welfare
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Thursday 27th February 00.01 - Friday 28th February 18:00	Voting

What is the purpose of this manifesto guide?

A manifesto is a list of what you intend to achieve, or the principles by which you stand. It is the most important part of a candidate's nomination, and if they are elected it will be their mandate, which means if they say they intend to do something on their manifesto, they cannot then choose to do something completely different once they are in office.

Therefore it is important that you read through each of the manifestos overleaf to help you decide who to vote for. In addition to this you can attend Question Time (23-25th February). Over three nights each of the candidates will get the opportunity to answer your questions about the issues affecting you. Can't make it in person on the night? Don't worry! You can watch online at www.ussu.co.uk

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WILL SMITH

VOTE [1] FOR COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

what do I stand for?

Hi my name is Will
I'm a placement year student currently working at the university accommodation services as well as working at roots bar and Waters house. So I already know a great deal about how the uni communicates to its students.

I have an engaging interest in the ongoing of the sports and societies at the university. I am the secretary for the alternative music society NO WAVE and have spent the last year working with the committee on a number of events and nights out.

I'm studying business and retail management at the university and the areas I excel in are marketing and communications.



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www.facebook.com/voteWillSmith

One Stop Shop communication

I want to create a clear and transparent medium for student to know about all events at the university whether it be coursework deadlines or society pub crawls or sports. An area where students can ask to have what they think is an important university event broadcasted to the larger student body.

Sort out the union website

The student union website is almost impossible to navigate, links can lead to nowhere and you can be repeatedly asked for your website. How can the union communicate when the information that is there is blocked by a wall of errors?
I will change the way the main students website works so that it's easy to look around and find the information that is important to you.

Your voice

I want to have an open approach as a communications officer where students can ask why something is happening at the university and union, from loud building works to Rubix ticket prices the union should be a place where students can ask questions. I will create an area for students to question what's happening at their university.

Can't go wrong with Dom

Hi, my name is DOMINIKA WROBEL, I'm a first year Business Management student and I would love to work with YOU to make our University Experience even better.




Satisfaction

Changes need to be widely felt by all students. The Union is working for YOU and your satisfaction in CENTRAL, so your feedback on anything we change is vital. I aim to provide you with the means to do this. I will organise a space where students can give feedback & make their opinions heard e.g. via twitter #tweet2tweakUSSU

Clear & Transparent

As a student do you feel like the Students' Union works for YOUR benefit? Perhaps you would like to know more about its activities. For example, how is the money you spend on Rubix tickets INVESTED back into the Union? Are the decisions made by the Union public enough? I aim to improve the COMMUNICATION between the students and the Union.

Social Media & Promotion

I think it's really important to ENHANCE communication through the better use of social media and the Stag. There are many events that have great POTENTIAL to be popular but do not get enough attention due to poor communication. Improving on this would keep you up to date with all events and not just the mainstream ones.

For

Communications officer

[facebook.com/dom4communicationsofficer](https://www.facebook.com/dom4communicationsofficer)

KATY SAWYER

I am a third year Law student on placement. I am standing because I am passionate about getting involved in the community. I want to represent students' views about issues affecting them in the community. I aim to improve the way students are perceived by local residents.

John Hoberough Award for Volunteer of the Year 2013



Experience

Do>More Volunteering Society President 2012/13
 Do>More Volunteering Society Vice-President 2013/14
 RAG Rep 2012/13
 Freshers' Angel 2012 | Freshers' Super Angel 2013
 Stag Writer 2011-2014 | Stag TV Presenter 2013/14
 Surrey Marrow Fundraising Officer 2012/13
 Guildford Olympic Torch Event Marshall 2012
 Marshall Team Leader Guildford Sport Relief Mile 2012

I will run community events to strengthen the link between students and the local community and tackle the issue of noise by promoting the SSHH campaign (Silent Students, Happy Homes).

I will run a survey to get feedback from students and create student area profiles to improve the experience in rented accommodation.

I will create a blog to inform the Students' Union about community issues and to promote student involvement to the wider community.

COMMUNITY

Watts a Community Officer for you?

Connect Hazel Farm and Manor Park to the Campus community

Introducing a swipe in and out Boris Bike-like system between these areas. Initiate the Night Bus scheme so students can get home from Campus safely.

Involve international students in wider Union and Campus activities

Forming the International Mini-Olympics.

Promoting major international events, for example Chinese New Year, to the whole of Campus.

Improve connections between the local community and you, the students

Present students with volunteering opportunities in the local community.

Build links between local media, student media and the Union.

VOTE IAN WATTS [1] FOR COMMUNITY OFFICER

Watts, a Community Officer for

YOU

VOTE GEORGIE

EDITOR IN CHIEF

"BRINGING STUDENT MEDIA INTO STUDENT LIFE"

Marketing: Student medias more actively used around campus and by the union. For example, StagRadio played in chancellors, monitors showing StagTV and The Stag Reps on "Stag spots" around campus on days of release to actively engage with target audience. Liaising with sports clubs and working to promote the "Team Surrey" brand across campus and the union opportunities for students. Facilitate greater access to media for sports clubs, societies and departments. Implementing a media/communications officer within each executive committee and general committee.

Integration & Access: Organise a whole-media meeting schedule, creating a common ground for all medias to communicate ideas and concerns in a formal environment. Developing a Sports Park media hub that can then help news and information to be broadcast more directly and efficiently that will also generate profit from sponsorship and partnerships. Work with Welfare to increase wheel chair access to all medias. Work with International Officer to promote and engage a greater International Student audience and participation.

Education & Development: Create links with local media organisations and companies to create career and placement opportunities for all students, including those undertaking a degree not necessarily related to media. Creating a mentoring system for students wishing to pursue a career in media.

Hil My name is Georgie Smith, and I'm a current 3rd year student studying Business Management. Over the past two years, I've stood as Events Officer for both the Sports Exec and Rag committee and now as Communications Officer and Treasurer respectively. Media and communications has been a big part of my life since being selected as Heathrow's Media Assistant for the 2012 Olympics, and I currently present a show on Stag Radio and film/script-write for StagTV, having helped kicked off the latter's SportsBites. I would love to be your new Editor in Chief, not only because I believe myself qualified for the role, but because I feel my experience across all aspects of societies, sports and the Students Union can help play a big part in further growing Stag Media beyond all the achievements its team has made this year.

facebook 'Reasons to vote Georgie' #VOTEGEORGIE #GUnit



Steph for Editor-in-Chief

Follow the campaign on fb.me/StephForEiC

Why?

How?

Who?

My name is Stephanie Stoll and I grew up in Berlin. I first visited England on a school trip when I was 12 years old and fell in love with this country. I am a first year student in Audio Media Engineering, but I have been here for two years as I previously joined the course on Film Studies. I am also a student course rep in the Electronic Engineering department.

Since the time I joined Surrey, I have been an active member of Stag TV. I was the series producer for *Deja Vubix*, the most popular Stag TV series last year. I was nominated for Best Newcomer in the Union Student Awards 2013, based on my performance that year. I played a major role in establishing Stag Media as a unified brand along with my colleagues in student media.

I am currently the President of Stag TV, where you may have seen me presenting *Newsbites*, chasing zombies, and having my legs set on fire.

I like people, singing, travelling, acting, and chocolate...but not necessarily in that order!

When I was looking for a place to study in the UK, I was drawn to Surrey because of the media exposure I had online to Stag Radio, The Stag, and Stag TV. As an international student, I am keenly aware of how important a role student media plays in keeping students informed about university life.

My two years of experience in Stag Media have given me an inside look into what students who are involved in or want to join student media care about. I am a board member on the Union Editorial Board, and as such I am involved in the organisational and financial decisions made about student media on a regular basis.

What I have realised is that we have a responsibility towards the Students' Union to produce engaging and unbiased content. However, I also realise that we are all students here, to do a degree, and as volunteers we deserve to be treated with respect for our time and effort. This is what inspired me to run for this position.

My primary aim, if I win, would be to continue fostering close ties among all three arms of Stag Media, such that it is a fun and informative experience - both for people in the media and for our readers / viewers / listeners.

Equal opportunities and recognition for the work done by Stag Media.

Initiate an honest and transparent dialogue between the Students' Union and Stag Media. The Students' Union Media Code of Conduct needs to be published publicly to inspire greater trust in the media process at Surrey.

Weekly meetings with the heads of three arms of Stag Media - separate from the Editorial Board - to discuss ongoing projects and find common areas to foster greater collaboration.

An online planner to be used jointly within Stag Media to keep members informed of what is happening in each arm, and to suggest areas for teaming up.

Provide support to Stag Media for submissions made to external student media awards, for greater recognition of the work done by students at Surrey and to promote the Surrey brand.

Work with the Students' Union and sabbatical officers to allocate budget towards professional media training for new and existing Stag Media members.

Vote Lucy Cook #1 EQUality and diversity officer!



I'm a first year Biomedical Science student, and I've loved every minute of being a fresher. University has been one of the best times of my life so far, and I want everyone who comes to our University to feel the same - to be able partake in anything they want to regardless of race, gender, sexuality and religion providing equal opportunities for all! I will work to make sure everyone is integrated into University life ensuring students can enjoy their time here as much as possible. I will also encourage students to learn about each other's cultures and backgrounds, and promote appreciation of everyone's views. I want the international and special interest societies to be able to host their own events in Rubix, and around the University so that people from all over the world with shared interests can come together and meet each other. I also want to get home students more involved in One World Week, supporting the international societies in celebrating culture and diversity. The university has been hit hard this year with some awful incidents with freshers and I want to assist VP welfare making sure people feel supported during their time here, and know that there is always help available whatever situation they find themselves in. Equally, I want to promote supporting each other and build on the sense of community around campus, Manor Park and Hazel Farm calling on students to be proactive in joining in to make this University the best it can possibly be!

Equality. Integration . Opportunity

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Vote **SHANA** Jansen [1] **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY**



www.facebook.com/ShanaForEquality

WHO AM I?

Hi, I'm Shana and I'm hoping for your vote for Equality and Diversity Officer. I'm a 2nd year English Literature with Creative Writing student and the Events Coordinator for Gospel Choir!

Coming from Belgium I know first-hand what it's like to be on the outside. Surrey has been a place of acceptance for me, and I want to be a part of continuing that tradition. **Whatever makes you different**, there is always a place for you in Surrey.

My aim is to give all students the chance to feel **accepted and valued** within our student body. Regardless of your culture, gender, ability or sexuality, Surrey is about **celebrating and unifying** its diverse community.

As your Equality and Diversity Officer, I want to continue our celebration and acceptance of diversity, while I persist in finding ways to improve and make sure your needs are being met.

CELEBRATE YOUR DIVERSITY

Surrey has a diverse student body with a range of cultures, faiths and backgrounds. But it's only in getting to know others that we can really become unified. My aim is to showcase our diversity by organising events that will encourage integration and a wider knowledge of other cultures.

CREATE AN OPEN CHANNEL FOR YOUR ISSUES

The best way to represent you is to know what's on your mind. Whether you feel unrepresented, are dealing with intolerance or inequality, I want to hear from you and really tackle the issues at hand.

GENDER AND LGBT EQUALITY

With a thriving LGBT+ community on campus, there is a need for more awareness and representation. I aim to make Surrey an inclusive and safe environment for all genders and sexualities by organising events and campaigns to educate the student body on current issues.

Vote Andile [1]

My name is Andile Sibanda and I'm a first year student running for equality and diversity officer. I'm passionate about this post because I believe in unity and equality for all and want to improve representation of minority groups around the university.

I was voted **black** and ethnic minority officer in college. During my time in that position I:

- Improved student involvement in the student union.
- Improved the recognition and celebration of different cultures.
- Tackled racial discrimination through out the 3 campuses of the college.



Andile [1] For Equality and Diversity Officer!!

Goals






1. Improving student involvement across the university and representation of minority groups.
2. Celebration of different cultures as well as improving knowledge and respect of different cultures.
3. Improve support for students, international students and for disabled students

Action Plan

1. Bringing in motivational speakers to encourage minority students and empower them to reach their goals.
2. Including religious or cultural days and events such as Eid and Hanukkah to the events calendar and encouraging culture focused events
3. Ensure that students are aware of where to get support and eliminate time restrictions on advice services.

Vote Andile [1] For Equality and Diversity Officer!!

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Vote Phil for: Ethics and Environment Officer

⇒ I aim to assist the Welfare VP in promoting better welfare policies and campaigns.

⇒ I aim to ensure that the students union is working towards friendly environmental practices and also making students aware of this through events on campus and through social networking

⇒ I aim to ensure the ethical code of the students union is in accordance with what is required by law and benefits us as students

⇒ I am a member of the university football team and have a lot of experience of working in a team and getting the best out of myself to benefit others

⇒ I have volunteered for a number of charities, culminating in me currently undertaking my placement with a charity

⇒ I also have the Jack Petchey award for outstanding contribution to the community. I want to continue contributing to the community and the university by taking up this role



Visit my facebook page via:
www.facebook.com/votephill

LOOKING OUT FOR YOU AND YOUR ENVIRONMENT!

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VOTE BILAL HUSSAIN FOR EVENTS AND TRADING OFFICER!



ABOUT ME

I'm an 18 year old from Glasgow studying Economics and Finance who's passionate about bringing the union back to the students. I am very approachable and sociable so I will be open to suggestions and feedback on events 24/7.

"With Bilal I can see a person who would turn those curious ideas and thoughts into something substantial. Through his passion and wish to please others, he can really make a difference and would be of great benefit to the university and to the students." IBRAHIM SARWAR (PROPOSER)

3 REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD VOTE FOR ME

UNIVERSITY IS THE BEST TIME OF YOUR LIFE!

I will improve your social experience at university by making sure the students themselves choose the events, this can be done by successfully communicating and using social networks to the best of our advantage.

HELP SOCIETIES EXCEL!

Ensure societies have their fair chance of events and helping them advertise them to maximize attendance. I will also encourage collaboration between societies so we can enjoy and learn new things!

THIS IS YOUR UNION!

I will be the link between the Union Executive Committee and students. This is our union and the students of Surrey should get to decide what happens as collective force.

VOTE FOR PASSION & COMMITMENT!

TWEET TO ME AT @ULTRONOMOUS

EMAIL BILALHUSSAIN@gmail.com

AND JOIN THE FACEBOOK PAGE WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/VOTEFORBILAL

RAZA ALI For INTERNATIONAL OFFICER

Introduction

I am a 2nd year Mechanical Engineering student from Pakistan.
Been a part of The University of Surrey Union since 2011.

- 2010-2011 Events Organizer (PSA)
- 2011-2012 President (PSA)
- 2012-2013 Treasurer (PSA)
- 2013-2014 President (PSA)

What I want to do:

- Bring the International Societies closer together.
- Help them with their events.
- Recognize the effort they put into their events.
- Try to increase the number of awards for International Societies at the student awards.
- Make every international student feel at home.



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PLEASE VOTE 1 FOR

GIANNI HEUNG INTERNATIONAL OFFICER

WHO AM I



- international student come from hong kong
- half chinese and half indonesian
- lived in indonesia , hong kong china singapore
- fluent cantonese mandarin
- IT comitee in secondary school , HK aircadet member

AIMS

- more international activities
- know about international culture
- international student knows uk culture and adapt

ACTION

- welcome pack
- language support
- international week
- international food fair
- host family for international student in british christmas



Iggy International

My name is Iggy and I am an International Student running for International Officer. I believe in unity and celebrating the immensely diverse community we have here at Surrey...But then again who doesn't?

I am standing in this election not just to be another carbon copy Mr Nice Guy, but to make sure the university, and the Student's Union continue to acknowledge International Students ;not as a commercial product, and not just as a source of cultural richness and heritage, but as an important part of the student body with vital issues to be heard and addressed.

What does this mean for students?

A culture change starting within the Governing Body.

A stand against the commercialization of international education (fees)
International students can often be belittled to just a "ding ding" for the bank balance. Fundamentally we deserve a fixed price on fees throughout the entirety of our degrees.

Making Sure the Student's Union is aware of issues faced by its International Students. Such as;
-International Students and Housing
-International student support (Visa, financial, a, natural disaster)
-International Students and dependents

So that we can be assured that the university is looking out for our best interests.

A culture change starting within the student body.

A stand for reviving the Internationalization Agenda
For too long have we let phrases such as 'cultural diversity' and 'global community' remain simple buzz words; stale and lifeless, never flourishing into reality and reaping the benefits of their potential. I offer a chance to escape the bland mediocrity of everyday campus life and be interrupted by vibrant bursts of flavourful culture.

Through the use of available resources (e.g. International Student toolkit from the NUS) implemented by the Students' Union, I stand to ensure that you experience the broader cultural and societal benefits International Students bring. We experience this in the limited offering of 'One World Week' (formerly international week), however this in itself feels like a great but short lived gesture, I propose to establish a culture;

- Regular small events encompassing Home, EU and non-EU students, where the influence of culture is present but seamlessly blends in.
- Inspiring and equipping clubs ,societies, and other places students voluntarily go to incorporate international themes into their offering. As of course, this goes beyond a night of entertainment, and into a perception change.

A voice for the international students whilst seeking to shape the student body for the benefit of both International and Home students. Help me establish a new culture ;

Stand with me by Voting Iggy International [1]

For more info : <https://www.facebook.com/iggyforinternational>



GET INSPIRED!
VOTE FOR **ADAM BLOSSE**

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About Me
I strive for value and identity.
These principles are informed by my experience as an active participator: founding a society, mentoring children with special needs, leading orchestras, developing a foundation for a charity musical theatre company and representing postgraduates.
A postgraduate degree should inspire and develop every unique individual and push the boundaries in what we expect from ourselves: studying a Master's in Music, personally, has been an inspiration of a lifetime.
Fighting for postgraduate issues that are ignored or glossed over during this critical time would be an honourable situation.
I'd faithfully work to make your time at Surrey as inspirational as possible.
Adam

Pledges
Communication
To clarify the postgraduate voice by respecting official pathways alongside investing in new forms of relaying information to the University.
Representation
To make an active effort to find and listen to any issues within the postgrad environment and forge them strong and considered in the executive meetings.
Motivation
To create events and classes, open for all, that tackle the individual problems of research and development and to present foreseeable options to aid greater personal growth.
Get inspired!

Postgraduate Development Officer

Vote Richard for Postgraduate Development Officer

*Richard Reece
r.reece@surrey.ac.uk
Nomination for Postgraduate Development Officer
February 2014*

The Manifesto

- Engage postgraduates in Team Surrey sport by raising awareness of the sport and recreation opportunities provided for all students at Surrey.
- Bring together postgraduate faculty representatives, the postgraduate society, the research development team and the students union to consolidate all services and support offered to postgraduate students at Surrey.
- Lead by example that there is a life outside academic work, and show that participation in and engagement with activities and services provided by the students union can lead to greater fulfilment as a postgraduate student.

*Team Surrey Sports Executive Management Officer 2013/14
Team Surrey Lacrosse Signatory 2013/14*

Team Surrey Lacrosse Committee 2012/13

MAZ for Union President

Representing You

As students, we hold a huge amount of influence over university decisions, and our voice is heard at the highest levels through the President's unique role as university trustee.

Gaining the confidence to challenge university management can take some time, yet with my experience this year as Vice-President, I'll hit the ground running.

Continuity

This is a transitional year for the Students' Union. With a newly appointed CEO starting in the summer, the next 5-year strategy to be written and the university awaiting a 10-year vision, continuity is essential.

I believe the best candidate for this role should have well-established relationships with all key stakeholders, laying the foundations for moving the Students' Union into its next phase.

Here & Now

Surrey might be a top 10 university, but is every area of your experience 'top 10'? How about the time by which your coursework is returned, the ease of topping up your campus laundry card, or the reality of non-capped international fees?

I have the ability to focus on high-level strategic planning, whilst simultaneously ensuring the student-facing issues are resolved here and now.



/maz4president



#maz4president

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Voting

27-28 February

Surrey365 & Ballot Stations



Vice President Societies & ID (2013-current)	Events & Trading Officer (2011-2012)	Union part-time Staff (2012-2013)	Societies Executive (2012-2013)	BioSoc President (2012-2013)
Dodgeball Club Founder 2012	Team Surrey Sports Ambassador (2012-2013)	Snowsports Club Committee (2013-current)	Freshers' Angel 2012	

Peter Smeed Union President

Equality & Diversity Officer 2011-12, Events & Trading Officer 2013-14, Union Bar Staff, Battersea Court Super Angel 2012, LGBT+ Events Officer 2013-14

I have been a student at Surrey for almost 4 years now and have continuously engaged with the Union in an effort to improve student life. As your Events and Trading Officer, I have rebuilt a strong link with Commercial Services and given real student input into the events we hold in Rubix and Chancellors. I have also been a strong and vocal voice on the Union Executive, even if unpopular with other officers, to ensure that students are given the representation they deserve. I am asking for your vote to be your Union President.

A Strong Voice Effective Leadership Real Representation

The President is the only student trustee of the University, which means they need to be confident when addressing student's issues to ensure they are heard by University staff. I will use every tool possible; be it opinion panels or the NSS survey to identify the current student needs and take them directly to the University.

The President leads the team of 5 Sabbatical Officers and oversees their work. It is vital that the team work together as a unit so I will mandate fortnightly meetings between all the Sabbs to discuss future plans, direction and how we could help each other. I also pledge to hold a 'Sabb Review Panel' and publish the results so everybody can see the work each Sabb has and has not done.

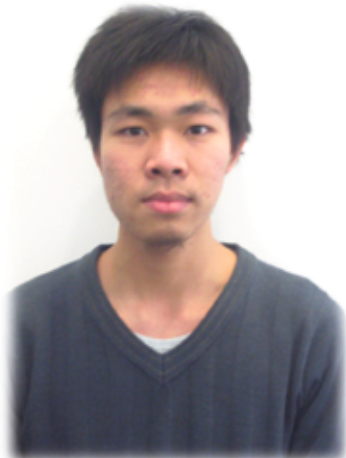
The President should be shown to represent the students who elect them. I have been on placement, worked behind the bar at Rubix and Chancellors and been involved with societies ranging from LGBT+ to Politics and sports clubs from Swimming to Hockey. I have a broad understanding of the issues students face and I have lived many of them myself.



#WeNeedSmeed

Proudly nominated by: Janelle Thomas (Do > More President), Kieran Smith (Community Officer '13-'14), Priya Jhand (VP Education '13-'14), Antonia Gill (Marrow President), Ruth Wyatt (Music Placement Student), Jacque-Lucca Kearney (LGBT+ Treasurer), Stephanie Stoll (StagTV President), Amy Davey (Social Secretary, Women's Football), Jessie Devers (Hockey Chairlady), and Sarah Grimshaw, (Equestrian President)

Zhaoli Wen – Union President



I was the President of the Student Council organising events that are beneficial to students, representing and standing for them. I found a sponsor - the British Airways – to fund our educational trip to Ghana.

*And, as being the Student Governor at that time and the BSc Economics Course Rep now, I have learned that finance is related to almost every activity. Therefore, finance is the crucial concept that I will strive to conquer with the “**Dual Model**” and the Sabbatical team in **1 year** at the University of Surrey.*

Dual Model

The Student Union (SU), as a charity, will break the law if used for gaining profit purposes. Therefore, the SU’s activities rely on the university funding. In this model, I will use half of the funding to establish a private business to make profits.

When the business grows and expands, more and more profit will be available to support the SU’s expenses. Besides, the profit will be delivered to the SU as legal donations.

Innovation & Development

I will set up a **Union entrepreneurship scheme** to push the initiative forward, to reward students recognising their diligence, and to encourage innovative business ideas **in 7 months**.

The scheme will put students’ ideas into reality by providing initial finance. However, the SU will take part of the company shares in exchange.

Supports & Accessibility

I will create a **Union housing benefits scheme** to assist further on maintenance fees for both home and international students, who have the need, **in 11 months**.

It will achieve a higher level of equality, support and motivate disadvantaged individuals to focus on education.

Inspiration & Employability

I will make **more departmental prizes available** (e.g. an educational trip abroad for a week) acknowledging student’s achievements and success for each level of study in each department **in 9 months**.

It will inspire students through cultural diversity, entice them to work hard and prepare them for overseas career. It is also part of the aims of the GGA programme.

VOTE RUTH FOR RAG CHAIR

If given the opportunity to be RAG Chair, my main aims would be to:

- Raise awareness of the RAG Society and what we are all about.
- Reach out across campus and the local area; I hope to **increase the number of students** that are involved with RAG Soc and the events and fundraising we do.
- **Increase the variety** of fundraising activities and adventures to get involved with. More challenging adventure options could include: climbing Mount Kilimanjaro, completing the Inca Trek, participating in Jail Break etc.
- If a student is passionate about running or participating in an event, I will make it a priority to meet their request and support them in their task.



If I am elected RAG Chair, I will endeavour to:

- Be **creative and enthusiastic** when leading the RAG Society.
- Invest time in communicating with, and getting to know my committee well in order to succeed as a team.
- Use my creativity to organise a **wide spectrum of events** to raise money for charities chosen.
- **Communicate effectively** with my committee and all members of the society.
- Use my experience of fundraising a large sum for Kilimanjaro, to help and support RAG Soc members with smaller and larger fundraising opportunities.
- Learn from the last committee and build on their successes.

Most importantly, as RAG Chair, I would lead RAG Soc in further successes and aim to raise more money over the next academic year than the previous year.

SIMONA FOR UNION CHAIR

As your Student Trustee and Union Chair I will have the privilege of carrying your voice, as loud and proud as it is, to influence and push for the changes that Your Union needs.

My Promise

This role requires great interaction between the Chairperson and YOU! My promise is that I will keep YOU informed of the Union's progress but I will also keep the Union and University informed of your Needs.

I strongly believe that there is a need for more interaction between the Union and YOU! As a Union Chairperson and Student Trustee I can also promise that I will put my effort in increasing this interaction for a better representation that will set an example for all the other Unions.



Loud and Proud@



for zoe field ^[1] VP EDUCATION



Hi! I'm Zoe, I'm a final year English Lit student and I want to be your VP Education in 2014/15. As the current president of my departmental society (LitSoc) I am constantly working on new ideas to increase students' engagement with their education. I believe that communication and engagement between Surrey's Union and its students needs to be increased and I want to be your VP Education to ensure that every student enjoys their education at Surrey.

Career Opportunities

- I want to initiate departmental **careers and networking events** in order to increase awareness of placement and graduate **opportunities**, as well as providing more **support** for placement students and those about to graduate.
- I would also like to increase awareness of **further education opportunities** and encourage more **post-graduate engagement** with the Union.

Academic Reps

- Every student should know **who their Academic Reps are** and how they can contact them. If students are or aren't happy with any aspect of their education then **the Union needs to know!**
- I believe there should be more opportunities for students to meet with their Reps and **relay any thoughts or concerns**. Reps should have more training and meet with VP Education regularly and often to **ensure student satisfaction**.

Support & Satisfaction

- I would continually **monitor student satisfaction** by talking to students on campus and online. It is vital that all students have the support they need to **achieve their best and enjoy their education** at Surrey.
- I would offer **clear communication** between students and their Union to let you know **how your ideas make a difference**.

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Vote for Harriet Oliver [1] for VP

Education

Employment

More graduate fairs – I want to encourage more Career Fairs as they are a great way to find and meet new employers and discover new opportunities after university.

More career guidance for 'non-trade' subjects – I hope to work with the Careers Service to support students in 'non trade' subjects to find employment.

Awareness & Cohesion

Utilise resources – I want to ensure students are aware of ALL the resources they have at their disposal, from all aspects of the Library, the Careers Service and Academic Reps.

- I would like to propose a larger book allowance for 3rd year students.

Hello! My name's Harriet and I am currently studying International Relations as a Postgraduate student. I am hoping to gain your votes to be elected as Vice President for Education. Being a postgrad gives me the opportunity to relate to students at all levels of study and if I am elected I will use this insight to ensure all students are able to have their say. As well as having been the VP of the Surf and Wake Club for the last two years I am also an Academic Rep, these responsibilities have given me many of the skills that I can transfer to the role of being your VP Education. My main aim is to actively engage with students to ensure you have the best opportunities and ultimately the best representation as possible.

Engage

VP Ed 'Surgery' – To promote a more personal experience and to fully engage with students I want to establish weekly 'Surgery' sessions in the library whereby students and come and discuss issues personally.

Academic Representative – I want to engage in regular communication with Academic Reps and Academic Staff to gain a continual understanding of issues being raised by both students and staff in order to accurately represent Student Stakeholders at the higher levels.



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VOTE JASMIN PLUMMER [1] VP EDUCATION

I am a second year Aerospace Engineering student. I have a passion for education and want everyone to get the best out their time at university. I am social secretary of the Hockey club so have experience organising events and working in a committee.



1. **Application is key.** Memory tests are a false representation of how well you will perform in a job so why do we base intelligence on exam results? Application of knowledge is much more effective judge of ability.

2. **Opinions matter.** Everyone should be able to comment on their education so I want to be approachable and accessible for every student. I also want course reps to be well known by the students they represent as I feel they get lost particularly in large courses.

3. **Alternative Learning.** Education isn't just in your course it should be incorporated in every aspect of university. I want to work with the other VPs to get courses for students in societies and sports teams so that they can help teach new members rather than always using external coaches.


4. **Exams.** Errors in exam papers are far too common and this shouldn't Be the case. I want to eliminate errors by encouraging more rigorous Checks before the exams get printed.

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VOTE MATT SADLERS VP EDUCATION #1



WHAT'S SADLERS SAYIN'




"MY NAME IS MATT SADLERS AND I'D LIKE YOUR VOTE TO BE YOUR NEXT VP EDUCATION"

I am currently a 4th year Aerospace Engineering student, and am hoping to gain *your* support and *your* vote to be the next VP of Education for *your* Students Union. Throughout my years at the University of Surrey I have gained the skills, ambition and passion to make a real difference to the education of you the Surrey students.

Improved Online Resources for the Library
Interactive map of the library by floor which integrates the current system of availability/usage of computers with a colour coded system to highlight busy computer areas on the map.

More Space to Work in During Exam Periods
Utilising unused teaching space for silent study during exam periods.

Course Feedback Improvements
Continued improvement to the Course Rep system to ensure that you the students get the most out of your education at Surrey. Increased visibility of the Course Reps through faculties, and easier channels in which to communicate feedback from rep meetings. Training to be made available on a more faculty specific basis to introduce new course reps to important members of staff within their faculty including their roles.

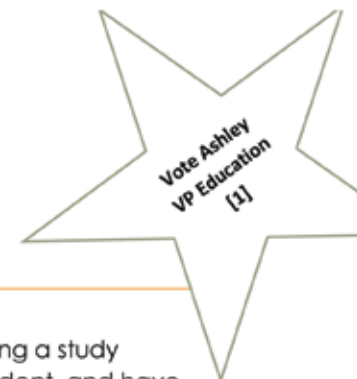




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Vote Ashley for VP Education [1]



Hello, I'm Ashley Soucy and I am a 4th year International Politics student. Over my 3 years of study, doing a study placement abroad and being a course rep, I have gained the skills to communicate well, to be confident, and have passion to provide the help and support that students need. Studying abroad has given me important insight on how other universities around the world work, teach and gain very good understanding of many cultures. All these skills are needed to be your VP Education!



My Aims:

- ✓ **Visibility:** Being **accessible** by having drop in sessions to bring up any issues that you have and provide updates on what I have been doing by using Stag Media and e-mail.
- ✓ **Communication:** There needs to be better and open line of communication between course reps and the VP by having drop in sessions or a Q+A sessions to discuss any problems and solve them. Coming from a small department, I know that the **Rep System can make a difference** to make the changes need and have an impact on our education. This should be transferred across campus.
- ✓ **Excellence:** As Surrey continues to climb league tables, I want to **preserve and improve** the quality of education as we face new challenges with regard to funding and changes in education in the country.



BETTY KELLY [1] FOR VP SOCIETIES & INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT

I want to REACH out to you:

Reliability- I am in my final year at the University of Surrey and since fresher's I have acquired many different responsibilities, from Student's Union roles to part time work in our campus Starbucks. In juggling these duties, I have adapted my time management and organisation skills effectively, dedicating myself to every job entirely. Reliability is a guaranteed trait with me.

It is not about doing what I want, it is about being there for you, and doing what you need me to do- that is my job.

I want to bring more interaction, efficiency and personality to the role

#BetOnKelly

Experience- In my first two years, I successfully started up a Society and became President. In my second year the society was nominated for an Award: 'Best Special Interest Society of the Year.' In year 3, I was elected for a Society Exec role 'Start Up and Development Officer' in which I have helped and guided new societies to start up, an experience I have thoroughly enjoyed. This means that as your VP, I will know all the questions you will have and the difficulties you may face.

Approachability- Above everything else, I am a very friendly person and my approachability is something I pride myself on. I want to implement an 'open door policy' to the Union- my whole job will be to be there for you. I am very much a 'people's person'. I believe this personal approach will allow for a more effective interaction between you and me.

Creativity- I am constantly thinking of new ideas to enhance efficiency and interaction among societies, through inter-society competitions, conjoining events and implementing new methods of communication. I endeavor to incorporate this, should I act as VP Societies and ID.

Humor- I have experienced how pressurising it can be to run a society and even just to be involved in one. However, at the end of the day, societies are a fun thing to be involved in. This is what I want to bring to the role, I am a very calm and happy person to be around and I am always up for a laugh and working with me will be just that!

Manifesto

Shape your society with Dimitrios Lazaridis

Co-operation among Societies

Membership gathering: Create cooperation between different societies and direct involvement and supervision of VP Societies and Individual Development officer.

Charity Events: Engaging a range of societies to raise the funds for charitable causes such as natural disasters in around the world.

Internationality: Provide support and through acquired expertise, make suggestions on how to plan an event successfully.

Help and promote inter-society relationships and cooperation in pursuit of common goals.

Individual Improvement Opportunities

Create an easily accessible web page for all the students whose information and posts shall:

Encourage students to participate in volunteering activities (i.e. be a member of a society). Inform members of the web page about the importance of the placement year, summer placement and a part time job on their CV prior to completing their respective courses at the University.

Provide suggestions or guidance on CV creation through conversations and meetings with students who have experience in writing CVs.

Enhance Membership

Help all the societies, especially the smaller ones, to develop and increase their membership. Due to personal experience of running the biggest society of Surrey University, I will provide exclusive training programs to executive members of each society on how to run various event successfully. In addition, under close supervision, provide support for the leaders of each society to enhance the diversity of their members, to promote their culture and to make the most of the opportunities that are offered by the University of Surrey and the Student Union.



I am a Masters Civil Engineering student (sandwich course) at Surrey University since 2009. In 2010 I was elected as PR officer of the Hellenic Society. In the following year (2011) I was elected as President of the Hellenic Society of Surrey University and ever since I am holding the position of President of the society. During the time in the society I have organized the following:

- Organised numerous events and charities providing recognition to the University of Surrey throughout UK and worldwide.
- Organised educational and recreational trips in the UK and Europe.
- Organised sports events between Surrey Societies.



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VOTE [1] FOR VP SOCIETIES
AND INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT



Dimitrios Lazaridis
... shape your society ...

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MANIFESTO

Promotion of societies : Focusing on the use of union facilities to enhance the development of each society and create a way to promote society events and sessions through the use of various media forms. Re-introducing the use of the 'society calendar' to help promote and engage a diverse range of participants for each society.

Development and enhancement of each society : Forming a closer relationship between the union and each society, focused on strengthening and prospering each society to their full potential. This relationship will allow the growth of promotion for each society and the involvement of society members.

Establish a more original Fresher Fayre for each society : Drawing on the use of each individual sector to work on a personalized Fayres, engaging a diverse range of potential society members. Giving societies and potential members the chance to discover and establish themselves. Alongside, this will enhance the previously established Freshers Festival

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Liv Ward
Dance Squad Choreographer

Ambar Parker Moreno
Final Year Dance

Lauren Parker
CoppaFeel! President

Paul Richmond
Final Year Music

Lucy Gurd
Gospal choir Treasurer

Jenella De Jesus
Chem Soc President

Amy illington
Second year Physiology

Sophie Morris
PTY Maths

Ed Simmons
Final Year Physics

Garys Gallagher
Women's rugby. Vice Captain

Georgie Burn
Second year GSA

VOTE
Louis Perry
VP SOCIETIES & ID
Voting 27th - 28th Feb



VP Societies & ID Andy Plom: My Manifesto



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You've got a Friend in Plom.

I believe in inclusion, collaboration and support to achieve development. If elected, I will utilize skills learnt from my year as President of a Society especially with outreach projects to ensure that more people involve themselves in ground-breaking and exciting extra-curricular activities.

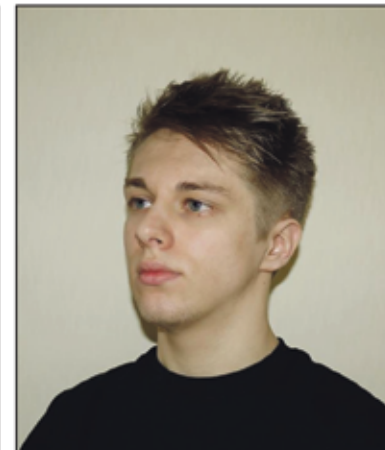
I pledge to build on inter-society collaboration by introducing more opportunities for societies to partner up, working together on larger scale projects. I will enhance the communication between societies and I will assist societies and sports clubs in seeing opportunities for collaboration.

I pledge to support new committees by emphasising growth and reinforcing the three key stages of progression: Exposure, Development and Handover. By producing assistive and interactive documentation I can help societies to maintain member interest throughout the entire year.

I pledge to give honest representation for all societies. I will develop the concept of progression meetings by having periodic shadowing of society work and heightening communication between committees and VPs, resulting in advice at every possible opportunity.

"Since being elected as President of Surrey Theatre Society, Andy has helped the society to more than double its member count. Previously the society predominantly consisted of Theatre Studies students, but because of Andy's plans to make the society more inclusive, many members now come from other degrees, such as Nursing, Law and Maths! Andy ensures that all members have an equal chance when it comes to auditions for Theatre Soc productions, regardless of experience and he would bring this sense of equality to the VP Societies and ID position.

Overall, Andy has been a wonderful President who has done more for Theatre Society in one semester than anyone else has done in the society's history, and he would definitely bring the same level of commitment and dedication as VP Societies & ID if he were to be elected."
Ashley Pye
Theatre Society Social Secretary



My Proposers

- James Murgatroyd
- Ashley Pye
- Georgie Smith
- Aaron Douglas
- Rumour Giles
- Rebecca Donn
- Tom Thirkell
- Matthew Westrope
- Tansy Dando
- Stevie Ashton

VOTE MUSTIE [1] FOR VP SOCIETIES & ID

EXPERIENCE:

- Currently a Careers Mentor for the African-Caribbean Society
- President of the African-Caribbean Society (2012/13)
- Organised 2012/13 Afrofusion show which showcased culture on campus and was sponsored by DeFoilie
- A Freshers' Angel
- First Year Representative for the African-Caribbean Society (2011/12)
- Academic Mentor at St. Peter's RC School



GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT, SUCCESS:

The success of different societies tends to fluctuate over the years. I aim to provide societies with the necessary guidance and resources for sustainable growth and development through a more effective hand over process allowing new committees to maintain or improve the success of their society.

DIVERSITY:

There is a great amount of diversity and culture across all the different societies. I aim to continue to encourage societies to collaborate with each other where possible and celebrate diversity so that individuals are provided with a platform to showcase their talents and possibly develop a new skill by trying something new.

INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT:

Individual Development is an important factor for employability. I aim to provide an incentive for individuals to develop valuable skills by creating a reward scheme similar to STARS for society members. I also plan on creating a link between the careers service and societies so that society members can enhance their employability.

VICE-PRESIDENT:

I understand that as a VP of the students union there will be more required of me that go beyond the categories of Societies and Individual Development that contribute to the day to day running of the union as well as other activities. I aim to utilise my skills and previous experiences to ensure that what is required of me as a VP is done to the best of my ability.

Online voting: 12am

Thurs 27th Feb - 7pm

Fri 28th Feb

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 <https://www.facebook.com/groups/VoteMustie/>



VOTE MIKEY [1] VP SPORTS

Why me?

I'm Mikey Barton, President of the Judo Club, and I make things happen. When I came to Surrey as a fresher there wasn't a Judo club, so I started one from scratch in my first year and became treasurer of the club in my second year. Therefore I already have first-hand experience and knowledge in starting, running and organising clubs.

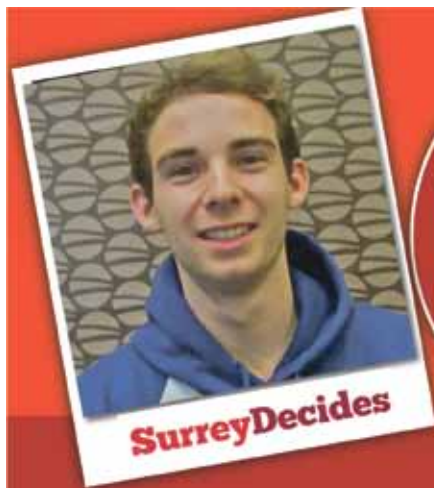
MAKE THINGS HAPPEN
VOTE MIKEY BARTON

What will I do for you?

- 1. More support for clubs**
 - Want more members, equipment or another session? I will help take your club to the next level.
- 2. More coherent booking**
 - A new booking system with the Sports Park will reduce the last minute cancellations you hate.
- 3. Monthly progress meetings**
 - No more waiting a few months until the next status meeting – tell me what you want and I'll get on it.

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**VOTE
DAN
JACOBS**

**VP SPORTS &
REC #1**

#DANFAN
VOTING: 26TH-28TH FEB

COACHING FOCUS GROUPS AND RECOGNITION

- * Increase the number of qualified student coaches.
- * Create focus groups for coaches and volunteers to share and collaborate successful strategies.

PLAY SPORT

- * Increase number of Play Sport sessions from 11 to 20; sessions solely devised for those wanting to try new sports in a friendly, flexible and convenient environment, giving student coaches the opportunity to utilise their qualifications.

INTRAMURAL OLYMPICS

- * Take the opportunity to take on your rival club or society across multiple sports. This will promote the unity of Team Surrey as well as giving you all the opportunity to take part and experience how other clubs are run and participated in.

COMMUNICATION AND OPEN DOOR POLICY

- * Ensure clubs are given a formal opportunity to discuss their aims with both the Union and Surrey Sports Park management. Examples of this include training times and facilities, access to Strength and Conditioning, Sports Psychology, nutrition and opportunities for external funding.
- * Dedicated office hours for you to come and raise any issues with myself, with formal arrangements made for these to be discussed with Surrey Sports Park Management.

I am the current Sports Executive for Coaching and Volunteering. 2 years in post, voted in by you. I have been President and Events Coordinator for the Tennis Club, as well as Vice President and Higher Education Officer in Surrey for Badminton.

My philosophy has always been that there is something in sport for everybody, from the ones that represent our country to those that would like to give sports a go for the first time.

By 2016, Team Surrey has the potential to not just enter the top 40 in the BUCS table, but the top 30, a highly realistic goal. However, in order to achieve this, Team Surrey needs to take the steps to increase participation, coaching and performance to develop what we have into something incredible. I feel that I am your candidate to give Team Surrey the boost it deserves to reach its full potential.



VoteDanJacobs



@DanJacobs73 #DANFAN



About Me

Course: Aerospace Engineering
Experience: 2 Years President of Water Polo
Accomplishments: Promotion, membership increase, 1st ever BUCS points.

Why Am I Running?

Being president of one of the most improved sports teams at the university for 2 years, I now know how to improve University of Surrey sports in all aspects. My main goal is to improve the efficiency of university sports so that our money goes further, more people join clubs, and our teams do better.

All of my aims for next year have been thoroughly researched, in order to gain the best results for your university!

Vote [1] Ben Jarman VP Sports & Recreation 2014-2015

More Efficient Use Of Budget	Increase Participation in Social Sports	Increase Club Publicity	Increase Communication between clubs and the union	Daytime Inter-Club Fitness classes	
<p>Earlier AGM's Your clubs will have the opportunity to submit your equipment needs before summer so that it can be ordered in bulk at a discounted rate on your behalf.</p> <p>Equipment Storage I will fight for better equipment storage as an investment, so that your kit doesn't become damaged, which can prove costly.</p>	<p>Inter Halls Spread over first few weeks of semester 1</p> <p>More sports involved An opportunity to showcase your club/sport.</p> <p>More incentive to take part</p>	<p>Other Events Greater use of internal leagues Will be an opportunity for international students to get involved</p> <p>Push for clubs to introduce social sessions</p> <p>More charity events</p>	<p>Club of the day Your club will have the opportunity to book a stall in SSP where you can advertise yourself at the start of the year</p> <p>Use of internal competition as an introduction to your sport</p> <p>Blog/Video myself trying or talking about your sport This is an opportunity to showcase your sport to a wider audience without them being forced to come to training</p>	<p>Sports standing will sometimes be held more like a meeting with 6-8 clubs at a time so you can ask for help with any issues occurring. This is an opportunity for your club to ask for advice and support from the union.</p> <p>Sports Executives will attend each of their clubs training at least once a semester. Sports Executives usually have more experience in university sport club management, this is an opportunity to get some help and advice.</p>	<p>Different styles on different days. I.e. strength, cardio, power.</p> <p>SSP can accommodate more time in the daytime</p> <p>Opportunity to spend more time on technique during club training</p> <p>Opportunity to learn how to condition yourself better.</p>

Vote for Opportunity. Vote for Jarman.

Find out more: www.facebook.com/groups/VoteJarman or Email: bj00037@surrey.ac.uk

Other Objectives:

Set up minibus driver pool, make SSP more student friendly, make better use of campus facilities such as uni hall.

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Manifesto

•To secure Team Surrey Sponsorship•

GUARANTEED

- Surrey Sports Park Student Membership **Price Freeze**

PERFORMANCE

- **Pre-season training** options for clubs
- **Targets** for BUCS & non-BUCS teams
- **Day-time** training space at SSP

PARTICIPATION

- **Battle of the Halls** - integrate sports and societies
- **Team Surrey Tour** - an opportunity for all sports clubs to go on tour together

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

- **Committee inductions**
- **Playsport busary** opportunities
- **Club grading** - based on club management only



Team Surrey Lacrosse
Founder and President

SSP Placement Student

I'm backing the Big  ac... Are you?!



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JORDAN [1] VP SPORT & RECREATION

Success

- o Individual
- o Club
- o University

Participation

- o Create more opportunities for those not wanting the commitment of joining a sports club
- o Increase numbers involved in sporting activities
- o Increase teams in BUCS
- o Greater Sports and Society presence on campus

Organisation

- o Reduce Clubs' administrative burden
- o Simplify processes for club committees
- o Employ additional administrative support

Representation

- o Challenge SSP's decisions and focus
- o Promote Sport inside the Union to raise its profile
- o Improve access to the Vice President of Sport and Recreation

Transformation

- o Develop personal relationships with the clubs and regular engagement
- o Support system to further develop clubs and ensure that no club gets left behind
- o Create a forum for frank and honest discussion between the students, the Union and the SSP



ABOUT ME

Taking part in sport at Surrey has transformed my University experience. I have had the privilege to represent Surrey in both BUCS and external competitions for Hockey and Women's Rugby and I'm now also playing for Guildford Ladies 1st XV.

My passion for sport at Surrey was highlighted when I was shortlisted for the Sue Jupe Plate at Colours Ball 2012 and I have continued to foster this passion through my involvement with the Sports Executive and club committees.

EXPERIENCE

Sports Executive (SE) Chair: 2012-Present
SE Events & Recreation: 2011-2012
Rugby Club Chair: 2012- Present
Hockey Club Tour Secretary 2011-2012

This experience I have working with ALL clubs has provided an unmatched understanding of each individual clubs' needs and wants, ensuring that if elected I will be able to hit the ground running and target these problem areas for the benefit of all.

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Think S.P.O.R.T, Vote Jordan!



VOTE LUCY CURD FOR VP WELFARE

Why vote Aerospace Engineer Lucy Curd? Because of the way she has compassion and takes interest in others is so inspiring. She is so determined to make positive changes and will not let anything stop her. This is mainly because her nature is to care and she will not let you down as she has never let us down. That's why we call her *Mama Curd!* - Official proposer Nahida Choudhury, Human Resources and Project leader in Enactus.

THINK.

Even though you're surrounded by thousands of students, it can be easy feel like you're alone. We should be promoting a culture that breaks the stigma of seeking support. Not only is it important to be aware of the issues that students face but also to be proactive in changing the way students think about support services.

BUILD.

Every student has a bright, exciting future ahead of them and I would like to make sure that each one has the support and encouragement they need to succeed. I will work with existing services to create inter-hall activities that unite students with a common goal and build a strong foundation for healthy community life. Giving the students a fun and inviting environment where they feel at home.

INSPIRE.

As our University continues to grow, my focus will be to ensure that we all play our part in building this healthy community. My role will be to lead and equip so the ownership is given back to the students. Encouraging them to look out for one another and speak out 'it's not OK'. NOT OK to let anyone be a victim of his or her loneliness; NOT OK to allow anyone to suffer and NOT OK to have students struggle. I want to see positive reform in the student body by inspiring individuals to believe in better.

think lives build community inspire change

Peter Dalley for VP Welfare

2014/15



Don't vote for me because I'm gorgeous. Read what's on the right....

I truly believe that in life, you can only be happy if those that you care about are happy too. That's why, with my oversized head and heart, I'd make a great VP Welfare.

Last year, I was landslide-voted Academic Rep for Aerospace Engineering. I thought I could make a difference, helping people to settle in to their new lives at uni. I was having trouble myself, going home every weekend to visit family and SO. I suffered a family loss and was helped through it by others; students, lecturers, you name it, they were there to help. I wanted to be one of them, to help others as they had me, in a more official capacity. I was disappointed: my role entitled me to next to nothing to help those who were stressed, homesick, unhappy. That is why this year, in addition to founding Aero-Soc, I'm running for VP Welfare in the hope that I can apply what I do for my friends every day to a role that gives a much broader reach. If you're out there, and you're unhappy, come see me. Even if the Surrey decides someone else is more suited to this role, come see me anyway! Lack of title won't stop me caring about every single one of you.

Sometimes all it takes is an understanding ear.

THE THREE POLICIES:

"Stigmannihilate" I always loved puns. Through long term, sustainable idea input I hope to help eradicate false impressions of the University-run services, such as the Centre for Wellbeing, and help raise awareness of just how amazing these services can be for people. We tragically lost two people this year possibly to depression and self destruction- let's change the way people see the services. Let's remove the boundaries. Make them more available. Help students. Help us to help you.

"Fresher's Promise" It can be very hard for First Year students to adjust to life on campus. The change in pace and learning is dramatic, the bombardment of information overwhelming. If it hadn't been for some very important friends for me to fall back on during my time as a first year, I almost certainly would have thrown in the towel. Not everyone is as lucky as I. This is why I'm campaigning for a better tutoring system, one run by students, for students, with students, with older pupils helping freshers adjust to life on campus and giving them a more understanding ear than your personal tutor. This one isn't just about education, it's about enjoyment of your time here at Surrey- both in and out of the classroom.

"Accommodation Charter" This is something already in motion by the current VP Welfare, Tom Windibank. It is a proposed agreement between the Union and the Accommodation Services to provide information to students regarding each and every change in policy, price, payment methods... if it changes, students have to know about it. I am totally and utterly devoted to the idea that, with rising university costs, economic transparency from these responsible bodies is important now more than ever. I want the information and figures to not only be available, but advertised and easy to access regularly. I guarantee that I will continue in aiding its introduction and implication throughout my time as a Sabb, if honoured with the position.



Vote Tamsin [1] for VP Welfare

#loveyourself

About me

I am a final year Theatre Studies student and I want to make a difference to your time here. I'd like to be your VP Welfare because I am caring, conscientious and open, I will listen to all views whether they are the same as mine or not. I will be there to do what is best for you.

Experience

- Team Captain of the Ballroom and Latin Dance Club for two years
- Super Angel for Fresher's Week
- A member of Gospel Choir
- Theatre Society member
- Cheerleading member
- Oxfam Volunteering at numerous festivals over the summer
- Olympic Opening Ceremony suffragette performer.

The Importance of You

- Promoting an academic and social balance
- The importance of sleep and good nutrition
- A sign up for messages for easy healthy recipes, laundry tips, motivational quotes, fitness and budgeting tips
- I hope to be there for YOU. I long to offer the support and guidance for you to get everything you can out of this university experience
- Find more than just a degree here – find and love yourself!

Your Accommodation

- I aim to raise awareness of and include off campus accommodation in all activities
- As VP Welfare I would promote Student Life Mentor events so that all students feel encouraged to go. Offering opportunities to feel welcomed and to socialise
- Encourage Student Life Mentors to work with me if students are struggling and in need of support
- Bringing Housing Awareness week back.

My active presence

- I will email regularly with welfare advice and details of upcoming workshops at the wellbeing centre, SPLASH and the SSP
- My phone number will be available so that I am contactable at any time
- I want to be getting out of the office attending Court events, Wellbeing workshops and caring for you during stressful exam times for those all-nighters at the library.

Supporting each student to be their best at Surrey



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twitter.com/VoteTamsin
#loveyourself

SAUL HARRIS FOR VP WELFARE HARRIS IS HOPE

Breaking the role of welfare down I feel it splits into 4 separate parts

Community and Housing

I believe the most important part of university is to feel part of the community, whether this is through a society, a club or the people you live with. I will create a very approachable system for those that are unhappy.

I want to support students to enable them to make sound financial decisions. Being given my last choice accommodation in my first year I know the pains of trying to swap accommodation, so I want to establish more efficient room swapping service.

Health and Wellbeing

With Mental Health problems not being uncommon in university I would hold awareness days to help people recognise the symptoms and raise the profile of the University support network.

I will raise the amount of sexual health testing days on campus, but also in the awareness of the sexual health clinic that is off campus. Undertaking the role to act as the interface between the two parties.

I want to raise student awareness of self catering by implementing a cooking YouTube channel.

Equality and Diversity

Becoming VP of welfare I would endeavour to create an environment which is free from racism, homophobia and sexism, ensuring I would work in tandem with the Equality Diversities Officer to encourage everyone to engage in all events at surrey (e.g., tease, ACS events).

Transport

I will using my proven negotiating skills to work with local taxi services to create a relationship in which all Surrey Students gets a discount on their service if student card is presented.

I will look at establishing other transport schemes to help students e.g. a bike hire service for surrey students.

"I believe University life should be a happy, safe and enlightening experience"



About Me

I am Saul Harris and in my second year as a Maths student. I am running for the position of VP Welfare next year because I passionately believe I can make a difference to the life of a student at Surrey.

To date University has been the highpoint and best time of my life; if I was to be elected as VP welfare it would allow me to make this the same for others.

It is very important for the VP of welfare to be approachable, so that students feel that they can come for advice and guidance at any time, and given my experience from social sec of Surrey Snowsports I believe I'm appropriate figure for this position.



<https://www.facebook.com/Saulharrisvpwelfare>

BETTER VOTE SAUL



Josh Langley for VP Welfare



I will drive hard on the welfare issues that matter!

What matters at Surrey?

- 1) **Mental Health Services** –bring back mind maintenance week
- 2) **Safety** –better lighting on the bridge into campus
- 3) **Promote greater access** for students



Vote Josh 1st, 2nd or 3rd



Vote Josh Your VP Welfare



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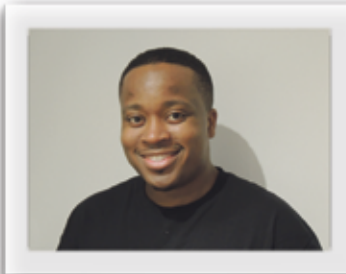


VOTE MUNYA [1] FOR VP WELFARE

About Me:

- Trustee at Body and soul Charity
- Trustee at The Children's HIV Association.
- Winner of the V-inspired 'Shout' Award for campaigning against prejudice and stigma.
- Winner of the Princess Diana Award for service's to the community.
- Frisky Ents co-founder
- 2 Term President and Founding member of University of Surrey MMA
- A Freshers Angel
- A Paint Campus Red Rep – Campaigning around Surrey campus to promote and fundraise for children in Britain living with HIV.
- Worked with various charities tackling with issues (incl.) race, gender, crime and Immigration.

"A Voice for everyone at Surrey."



Voting:Midnight on 26th Feb until 6pm on Friday 28th Feb
You will receive an email containing a unique link.



@AimNyum



Facebook Group: VOTE MUNYA [1] VP WELFARE 2014
<http://www.facebook.com/groups/500520959991229/>



Student Care Service Revision

I will lead an evaluation of student care service's to determine their relevance, practice and effectiveness. This will help determine what is and is not working for students and what needs greater improvement and what may need to be removed or need greater investment.

Accommodation

I will lobby the university to stabilize or decrease the price of accommodation, a cost which continues to increase without the relative increase in quality or service.

Mental Health

With two tragic deaths this year, I will champion an expansion of the centre for well beings service provision and increased awareness and training around mental health and maintaining a healthy mind whilst studying.

Strategy: Engagement, Transparency and Accountability

I will push for greater publication of union decisions, promote student rights, inform students on decisions made by the union and university that would affect them.

SurreyDecides Elections 2014

Vote Hannah for VP Welfare



Hannah
for VP Welfare

My name is Hannah Storey and I want you to vote for me as your VP Welfare of the Student's Union next year. I am a final year French and Translation student and I think my degree will help me a great deal for this position.

So why choose me?

I am caring
I am sensitive
I am a good listener
I love the University of Surrey
I was encouraged to go for the role of VP Welfare and I think I could do great things next year.

Help me make it happen!

My Manifesto

I want to build on the amazing welcome we give to new Surrey students by developing the positive aspects of Fresher's Angels and Ambassadors and use these ideas in other areas e.g. Court Life Mentors

I want to increase the students' awareness of the services on campus available to them by showing them where and how to access them.

I want to continue working on the positive aspects of Tom Windibank's efforts in his term as VP Welfare such as the accommodation issue.

I, as VP Welfare, want to be as available as possible to help any individual student with any issue as far as I possibly can.

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#storeyforglory

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"Vote Hannah for VP Welfare"
<https://www.facebook.com/storeyforglory>

don't be silly

VOTE FOR TILLY!

BETTER RELATIONSHIPS:

We have some fantastic services and facilities on campus, however, poor communication can lead to sour relationships!

-I want see a change in communications between services and students: clear communications at all times that let us know what's happening so that we can take control over these important aspects of our lives; be it finance or accommodation.

-Anyone who comes to this university and finds themselves in a spot of bother are made aware that these services exist and are there to help them. To do this I will utilize the Court Life Mentoring services and fulfill their potential as well as personal tutors being aware of their students too.

-I want to raise awareness of my office hours and that when in office, the VP Welfare is always available for a chat.

CELEBRATE SURREY!

As the 8th best university in the country we have a lot to celebrate. As Welfare officer, I want to celebrate with you but by making sure that wherever you go, whatever you do, whatever you take- you are safe with us.

Making sure that mentors are keeping an active eye on you.

Any security worries and issues are quickly amended and all security protocols are transparent and trustworthy.

Regular health talks and presentations covering everything from eating healthily through to drug and alcohol abuse.

However you choose to celebrate your student life here at Surrey, as your VP Welfare officer, I want to make sure that you are safe and you are happy with us.

PRIORITISE HAPPINESS

How do you feel today? Happy? Sad? Excited? Nervous?

-University life is stressful and mental health problems affect 1 in 4 of us!

-It is my goal to launch successful campaigns, fairs and talks across the year for both students, staff and external parties that give an accurate representation of mental health in young people, raise awareness and offer support to those who are concerned about their mood.

-Your happiness at this university is my priority and I think that happy students absolutely thrive academically, socially and physically.

TILLY TASKER FOR [1] VP WELFARE

AN ACTIVE APPROACH

As VP Welfare, it's all about you. Therefore, I want to be on my feet from day 1, actively campaigning all year round and letting everyone know who I am, what I do, and how I can help. As your Welfare officer I want to listen to what the student population needs and respond promptly.



Hello everyone! My name is Matilda (Tilly) Tasker and I'm 21 years old studying English Literature with Creative Writing! I'm crazy about art and I have always helped out with societies and sports that needed someone nifty with a paintbrush! In the past I have been Marketer and Communications Officer for Surrey Snowsports and I am currently Head of Design for Presha Bass Music society as well as Deputy Marketer for The Stag. And now I am running for VP Welfare 2014-2015 because I believe I can make a change and I believe that everyone should get what they deserve. Also, I am proud to claim that I am a disabled student. I have profound hearing loss, which sometimes makes life a bit tricky, but I never have let my disability hold me back and I never will!

Student Housing

There is often frustration over accommodation on campus – ranging from cleanliness and noise problems to the larger issues of price, and value for money in comparison to other universities. I believe that misunderstanding currently clouds the facts and is distorting student opinion. We need greater clarity from the University on where our rent goes, and a breakdown of the costs associated with living on campus.

Greater Support in the First Term

The first few weeks of term time can be tough, and it can take a long time for some people to adjust to University life. I believe the Union needs to look beyond Freshers' Week and focus more generally on the first six weeks of term to ensure all students – from first year students to those returning off placement – can look back on the first few weeks as an overwhelmingly positive experience, and feel mentally prepared for studying.

Community on Campus

Students are at the heart of University life, and collectively we make a community from which we can draw enjoyment, comfort and security. I want to build on this sense of community in three key ways:

- Adopting a fresh approach when reaching out to underrepresented students (i.e. GSA)
- Showcasing pride in our Union, actively celebrating our successes
- Increase student presence on campus, through banners and art work which reflects students, not just the University

[Facebook.com/WaterhouseWelfare](https://www.facebook.com/WaterhouseWelfare) [Twitter.com/HanWaterhouse](https://twitter.com/HanWaterhouse)

Waterhouse Welfare



Hi I'm Hannah, a final year English Literature student. I'm extremely passionate about the unlimited potential of our SU, and truly hope to be your next VP Welfare.

My Experience

- 2014 NUS Delegate

Voted by students to represent our SU at this year's NUS National Conference scheduled for April

- 2013 - 14 Union Chair

The only student trustee, I currently sit on the highest board of governance for the SU (Board of Trustees), chair a number of committees including the Union Executive Committee and sit on the Union's Finance Committee.

- 2011 - 13 Sports Executive Secretary

Largely an administrative role, it also included helping at key sporting events such as Varsity & Active Freshers' Fayre

- 2011 - 12 Canoe Club President
- 2011 - 12 Freshers' Angel

Thank you for reading. I promise if you put your faith in me as VP Welfare, I will work tirelessly to represent you, and all students.

The following people are also standing in the elections, however they did not submit a manifesto:
Alex O'Farrell for Events and Trading Officer and Stephanie Dang Guay for International Officer

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