

Equity & Inclusion Officer – December Report 1

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Section 1: General Update

- I joined a workshop in Camden Townhall about Women's Safety. I raised several student concerns about phone theft to insufficient lighting in Camden.
- Joined the Project Period Working Group to make sure we have available sanitary products for students in every corner of the campus.
- Proposed a potential Media Week at UCL East and British Sign Language Classes as part of an Extended Learning Opportunity.

Section 2: Sabbatical Officer Priorities

How have you communicated with students in the past fortnight?

- UCL East Student Officer and I launched a new initiative called "Stall Days at East", where we talk to students in Marshgate and listen to their needs and asks.
- I attended all three of the policy zones and actively listened and participated.

1) Students are confident in connecting with each other and support one another to feel safe, reassured and inspired.

- I had a meeting with both the LGBTQ+ and Trans Officer to discuss the transparency of the Gender Expression Fund process.
- Attended the International Day of Disabled People photoshoot.
- Discussed the "Ask for Beth" initiative with the Women's Officer.

2) Students can be proud and accepted for who they are in a safe community with a high level of cultural understanding.

- Introduction of the British Sign Language classes as Extended Learning Opportunities.

3) Students have an equitable experience in a united and inclusive community, regardless of where they are based and from.

- Had the UCL East stall day.

- Liaising with more departments (Bartlett, SCCI) for opening up their teaching spaces for clubs and societies.
- Working on a way to liaise with TfL to make the transportation cross campus easier for students.

Section 3: Attendance at important Union meetings and events

1) Union meetings attended and main outcomes

- WCZ: Liberation Officers to ask around their groups to understand the need for a peer-to-peer mental health support.
- AZ: Communicate Media societies to learn about their needs for spaces.
- EZ: no outcomes
- Board of Trustees: no outcomes
- Comms team meeting: Looking for new ways to communicate officer updates with students.

Section 4: Attendance at important UCL meetings and events

1) UCL meetings attended and main outcomes

- Education Committee: EDI Strategy
- BSL implementation with Pro-Provost of EDI, Alisan Koslowski
- Student Partnerships Committee: Discussion on ELOs

What three points from your report do you need to be communicated to Students?

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- Introduction of the British Sign Language classes as Extended Learning Opportunities with the support of the Provost's Office.