

President – January Report 1

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Section 1: General Update

I was on annual leave after Christmas. I met the Provost after the break and spoke around estates. I have been working on departmental forecasts for next year's budget, also attended the Russell Group Students' Unions Queen's University Belfast residential to focus on the international student experience, and had introductions with the Mayor of London at a private event to establish a connection between the Mayor's Office and the Union. I also went to the House of Lords to share our RGSU key asks with Baroness Prashar, who we think is one of our main links in the House of Lords.

Section 2: Sabbatical Officer Priorities

How have you communicated with students in the past fortnight?

I have started sending out weekly newsletters after the break. I have been going out for coffee and tea with some of our students, mostly postgraduate.

1) Students have waited long enough and deserve a home on campus where they can make connections, discover new interests and do things they enjoy and love.

Work in progress, we hope to hear some good updates on the scoping of our future building this week. Have been meeting contacts in UCL Estates in the meantime. Fingers crossed!

2) Our Students' Union is in a strong position to look out for students and ensure their success at UCL.

The Union is in a good place financially - forecasting work shows progress and adds on to our understanding of the different needs, as well as strengths of the departments we have at the Union.

3) Students have a voice outside of UCL with local and national government to ensure their needs and interests are taken into account.

Influencing efforts are going strong. As mentioned above, I'm currently working on building and maintaining connections in Parliament and the local government to advocate for UCL students and beyond.

Section 3: Attendance at important Union meetings and events

1) Union meetings attended and main outcomes

As mentioned above, attending forecasting meetings, sabb catch-ups, Leadership Team catch-ups and some project-based meetings on the side.

Section 4: Attendance at important UCL meetings and events

1) UCL meetings attended and main outcomes

Attended a 1:1 meeting with the Provost on the estates issues and UCL200 student experience after the break. Waiting to attend Committee meetings in the upcoming weeks.