

Activities & Engagement Officer – January Report

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Section 1: General Update

In recent months, I've focused on expanding global opportunities for our students through international collaborations. My key achievement was a productive trip to China, where I visited the top six universities and established several initiatives centered on leadership, arts, and cultural exchange. A major highlight was prioritizing a partnership with Fudan University, aiming to make it our twin SU in China. This period has been marked by significant strides in fostering cross-cultural connections.

Section 2: Sabbatical Officer Priorities

1) All students are aware and respectful of different cultures, so that we are one united global community.

Setting up multi-lingual campus tour recording.

Assisting our Head of Intercultural Engagement, Talia, with the organization of the international festival.

2) Students have a home from home where they feel relaxed and can rest to perform better.

Scheduling up meetings with Advice service on relaxing zone initiative.

3) Chinese students are supported and able to engage to achieve their goals, through experiencing opportunities and activities.

I've had several meetings with the CSSA, a society with significant participation from Chinese students, to discuss any challenges they are facing. Additionally, I met with the head of art to discuss potential support for underrepresented groups.

4) New students feel welcomed and settled in their new home, and feel they are

part of London.

Scheduling up meetings with student recruitment on pre-departure info session.

Section 3: Attendance at important Union meetings and events

1) Union meetings attended and main outcomes

Led highly productive activity policy zone meeting. The policy titled "Scrutiny of Union Processes by Student Media" has successfully passed through.

Section 4: Attendance at important UCL meetings and events

1) UCL meetings attended and main outcomes

Had two meetings with the Global Engagement team and secured their support for the union's international collaboration initiatives.

Section 5: What progress have you made on your assigned policy proposals?

Policy: Active Bystander and Consent Training

I had a meeting with Meg, our Policy and Research Manager, to discuss how we can provide the best possible support for this program and address any challenges students may be encountering in accessing it.

Policy: Scrutiny of Union Processes by Student Media

During our recent policy zone meeting, we recognized the critical need and importance of this policy. Consequently, we scheduled a follow-up meeting to delve into a detailed discussion on how we can enhance our support for it.