

## Education Officer – January Report

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### **Section 1: General Update**

Went on WonkHE trip and visited amazing SUs in Finland, preparing a plan to share the best practice with all the staff in SU.

Working with UCL SET on different projects.

Working with Buzzacott to make decisions regarding Union banking arrangements.

### **Section 2: Sabbatical Officer Priorities**

**1) Students are true partners in UCL, through empowered and respected Academic Reps who are central to decisions that affect them locally.**

Participated in Academic Representation Workshop with colleagues from UCL to establish the vision for the future.

Discussed importance of Academic Reps in UCL Council Meeting when the Annual Faculties Report was being discussed.

**2) Students are a key consideration for the next government and higher education is considered as a societal good.**

Met UCL London and Public Affairs team to discuss how we can work together for Mayoral and General Elections i.e. hosting hustings for Mayoral Candidates at UCL.

Attended RGSU residential in Manchester and did some stakeholder mapping for the Student Manifesto.

**3) International students feel valued and supported to settle in their new home, allowing them to learn, grow and widen their perspectives.**

Meeting Director of UCL Careers Service to discuss the initiation of a support network particularly for international students in tandem with their degree.

Preparing for UCL Council Away Day focusing on the theme of student recruitment and engagement.

#### **4) A better academic experience for students with reduced stresses and improved well-being and developmental skills.**

Project Lead Programme Excellence Project will be attending the next Education Zone to discuss restructuring of academic year with optional January assessment period for Term 1 modules with students.

Met Policy and Research Manager, SU to discuss the goals and objectives of a research project for varied assessments.

Organizing a combined Education and Welfare Zone to discuss the current ECs structure with the Reps.

#### **5) Students feel the campus is a social centre where they share and learn from one another, to be an integral part of the University experience.**

Highlighted the importance of the new Union building when the Council visited SU for the lunch and during the Council meeting.

### **Section 3: Attendance at important Union meetings and events**

#### **1) Union meetings attended and main outcomes**

Union Executive: Change of Union Affairs title to President, Sustainability Officer not removed as part of the Officer Review.

Board of Trustees Extra Meeting: Ceasefire Statement approval.

### **Section 4: Attendance at important UCL meetings and events**

#### **1) UCL meetings attended and main outcomes**

SSPC and Vision for Partnership and Departmental Societies Session: Discussion on working on the pillar of Departmental Societies of SLS together and utilizing Education Zone for discussion with students.

EPSP: Elite Athlete Sports Policy approved.

Council after the lunch visit: Discussion around working closely with SU.

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

### **Policy: Including the Latino Community as part of enrolment data**

Raised the matter with Student Registry Services. They shared the problem exists because of HESA regulations.