



INTERNATIONAL REP (CAMBRIDGE) REPORT

For the attention of:	Executive Committee	Taking place on:	09/06/16
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Summary: *This paper provides an update on the priority campaign(s) of the Executive Committee member*

Priority campaign(s) and objective(s)

Get to hear international students needs
 Support activities & events for international students
 Conference and meetings for international students (Human rights conference)
 Support other reps and executive campaigns regarding ARU students and also international students
 Give information about what SU and Societies can do for international students.

Progress on priority campaign(s)

-My priority still get along with the conference and meetings for international students for next September and academic course 2016/17. There's new dates set up for the week after classes begins.

-Reinforce the activities and events for international students and also the cultural exchange.

-Had a meeting with representatives of Student unions from United States and we exchange some ideas of how we could improve our campaigns and universities. Was very helpful and some of those ideas I would like to bring to practise and bring it to table for the next academic course 2016/17 (mostly activities and events for students in general).

-Would like to support the idea Grace gave of find a way the university can create a way to help some international students with affordable accommodation and find guarantors. It's a topic we talked about recently.

-Would like to give away one day a month to volunteer at the main hall at helmore, to give information and keep listening ideas or needs of some of the international students.

-Some of the services that are given by the university for students in general, need to improve their help for some of the international students (mostly international students with difficulties such as dyslexia, etc).

-A lot of international students are concern about the tuition payments and how little help they get in terms of bursaries. The non-European students, they pay the double. They claim mostly about how little they get from the uni services despite of their weekly/monthly check visa, and not even a little help for their expenses.

-One of the topics that I'm also concern and would like to support in a further mutual campaign with other reps, is how little communication there is with faculties. I would like some of the faculties reps in the next academic course could give more support in spread the word about the events, activities and what the other reps and executives are doing for the ARU students. Communication is an important point and this needs to be get better. I'm in to do my part in what is need it.

-I would also make sure more international students participate in society's activities and these can integrate more international students, so everyone can benefit in what societies can offer to them and vice versa. During Fresher's fair I would be able to create some informal presentations about this for international students, and explain to them how societies and our services can benefit them and how active they can be without disturb their academic year/semester.

An update on engagement with coach and mentor/mentee(s)

Last update was in May. But would like to keep a monthly update from September.

Achievements and/or outcomes

-Would like to achieve at least activities and regular meetings (conference!!) to help improve the needs of international students.

- Keep giving enough practical help to the new international students in their integration at ARU and UK (also the ones already studying). I have enjoyed interact with most of the international students this year.

- Supporting other campaigns.