EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE



My campaigns, policy, and other work

My campaigns

Title: Eliminate isolation, loneliness and improve students' engagement

In Progress

Updated: Date: 20/10/2021

Hello everyone! Many students coming to university can find it difficult to socialize, meet new people and make friends with the same interests as themselves, which can impact their student experience. However, I am working on an exciting campaign to find new solutions to tackle student loneliness, and to improve students engagement.

Students have told us that it can often be challenging to connect with fellow students and sometimes experience a feeling of self-isolation and loneliness, especially with so much of our student life being online. Also, students tend to gravitate towards people who come from the same place as themselves and it can get difficult to meet new people with the same interests, within the university. I am trying different alternatives to eliminate cultural differences, break down barriers, make connections more accessible and inclusive, bringing students together from diverse backgrounds.

Title: Freelancing/ Internships to students

in CSA and CSCI

Updated: I have started to work on providing freelancing/Internships opportunities to students in CSA and CSCI. I believe, the students from CSA and CSCI had extremely limited practical sessions during their academic year due to pandemic. It is hard for those students to get into a professional life with lack of practical experiences. I believe, there should be an extra support for the students from the University.

Title: Staff response time

Completed

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AHSS staff response time to students is 5 working days and we had a discussion regarding this as students were not happy about it. We raised this issue in FEC and FPT and concluded that the aim will be to respond back to the students by 3 working days rather than a solid action. The issue around reducing it to a solid 2/3 days was due to Associate Lecturers (outsourced) and part-time academics, not working a full week.

Other relevant updates

Team Campaign:

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We all officers are working on maximising support to international students' and make them aware about the facilities which are already available. I am also looking into the fees structure. My responsibilities are to compare the fees structure of both International and home students in different courses within our university and comparing it with other better ranked Universities.

Updates from committees and meetings that I sit on:

Senate Committees:

Senate

Non-Senate committee:

Student Success Steering Groups
Race Equality Steering Groups
Learning Enhancement Project
Research and Innovation Committee
AHSS Faculty Education Committee
AHSS Students Union Representatives

Students' Union Committees:

University and Students Union Students Union Staff SU Executive Committee ARU Students' Union Board of Trustees

Working groups (and others)