



My campaigns, policy, and other work

My campaigns

Title: UMII App	In Progress
<p><i>Updated: Date: 20/10/2021</i></p> <p><i>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 I am lobbying to introduce a university-based friendship app called UMII at ARU.</i></p> <p><i>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. This app can help to eliminate cultural differences, break down barriers, make connections more accessible and inclusive, bringing students together from diverse backgrounds.</i></p> <p><i>My aim for this project is to help tackle student isolation and loneliness and this app's many features including image sharing, standard messaging, facetime, and other elements can make this easier and I will share more information in the coming weeks.</i></p> <p><i>We are looking for feedback from all students, whether you are experiencing loneliness, know someone who is or would just like to meet new people. You will receive a survey very soon, do look out for it and please let us know what you think. Your feedback will help move this campaign</i></p>	

forwards, to benefit all students and make a difference!

Contact me with any queries or feedback at s.sojan@angliastudent.com.

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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 (essentially outsourced) and part-time academics, not working a full week.

Other relevant updates

Team Campaign:

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We are working on international students' fees and my responsibilities are to compare the fees structure of both International and home students in different courses within our university and in other Universities which are on the same and above ranked than Anglia Ruskin University.

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)