

BUCKS STUDENTS' UNION OPPORTUNITY PROFILE



This opportunity profile is designed to give you an idea of what your position with this organisation will involve. It highlights the commitments, skills and benefits you can expect taking up that role.

Role: Executive Officer for Students with Disabilities

Department: Representation

Opportunity: The position of Executive Officer for Students with Disabilities of Bucks Students' Union is a unique opportunity to be part of the team driving the direction of the Union. Ensuring that students with disabilities are firmly at the centre of Bucks Students' Unions planning, development and implementation of our strategic aims.

Working alongside other executive officers and our full time sabbatical officers you will ensure that the charity meets its objectives and continues to operate in the best interests of its members.

You will have the opportunity for networking within the Union as well as with other professionals and representatives in the not-for-profit sector as well as other officers from other Unions.

Benefits:

- Considerable opportunities for networking, training and personal development
 - Excellent career experience
 - An opportunity to work within a dynamic student led organisation, making a real difference for students at Bucks
 - Working in a vibrant fun and exciting environment
 - Opportunity to represent the Students' Union at external events and social, celebratory occasions.
 - Invited to the Union Awards ceremony.
 - Potential to represent Bucks students on a national stage at the NUS Liberation conference.
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Duties and responsibilities:

- Be the voice of Students with Disabilities at Bucks Students' Union and attend Union Council.
 - Plan, create and lead on campaigns
 - Manage the Disabled students Network at in person events and online, including any social media
 - Have optional involvement in other committees in order to further your input within the organisation.
 - Be responsible for communication with key stakeholders
 - Scrutinise reports from officers and staff regarding the operation and progress of the Union
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People who like this opportunity may also be interested in the following positions:

- Other Executive Officer positions
 - Student Trustee
 - President
 - Vice President Education and Welfare
 - Vice President Student Involvement
 - NUS National Conference Delegate
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Training and support: A comprehensive programme of induction and ongoing training and development is a part of this position. You will also learn a lot in the role from our external trustees, officers and other stakeholders.

Skills gained: Participating in this opportunity will enable you to develop and practice the following skills.

written communication	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	citizenship	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	languages	<input type="checkbox"/>
teamwork	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	decision making	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	physical fitness	<input type="checkbox"/>
organisational skills	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IT	<input type="checkbox"/>	networking	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
verbal communication	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	community awareness	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	creativity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
time management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	problem solving	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	environmental awareness	<input type="checkbox"/>
marketing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	leadership	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	project management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
delegation	<input type="checkbox"/>	cultural awareness	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	mechanical skills	<input type="checkbox"/>
financial management	<input type="checkbox"/>	numeracy	<input type="checkbox"/>	learn a new skill	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other (as specified below):	<input type="checkbox"/>				
N/A					

Time commitment: Union Council meetings take place every month during term time. Most meetings will be held in the evenings. Some extra time for correspondence between meetings and organising network sessions may be required. Approximately 2-6 hours a week when busy and 1-2 hours a fortnight when quiet.

Flexible: There is considerable flexibility in the role. Meetings are normally held in the evenings or around your other commitments.

Fixed: The role may involve participation in meetings which operate on a fixed calendar.

Rate of pay: Completion of all required responsibilities will reward you with £250.

Specific Responsibilities:

- One induction training session per year
- Attend Freshers' Fair
- Attend termly Mentor Meetings
- Complete termly website updates
- Host termly Network Sessions
- Complete Annual Feedback Form

National Conferences:

- NUS Liberation conference

Committees Attended:

- Union Council

Optional other committees may include:

- AU Council
- Societies Council
- University Equality and Diversity committee

Qualification requirements: You do need to self define as a student with a disability but no formal qualifications required, however a passionate interest in representation and having a positive impact on students' time at bucks will help.

Method of appointment: This position is elected by the students with disabilities of Buckinghamshire New University.

Venue: Bucks Students' Union Offices including the High Wycombe, Uxbridge, and Aylesbury campuses and potentially Partner College campuses.

Responsible to: All students with disabilities and Union Council of Bucks Students' Union.

Operates alongside: President, Vice President Education & Welfare, Vice President Student Involvement, Senior Management Team and Executive officers of Bucks Students' Union.

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