

## Volunteer Role: Department Level Research Student Lead

### Role Purpose:

To represent and act as the voice for all Postgraduate Research (PGR) students in your Department and to feedback key issues that affect the Postgraduate Research student experience to both the University and GCU Students' Association.

### Role Activities:

In your role, you will:

- Communicate regularly with all the PGR Students' within your Department to gather views, opinions and issues about the Postgraduate Research student experience.
- Attend and take an active part in Department Research Committee and School Research Committee meetings.
- Communicate regularly with the other Department Level Research Student Leads within your School, with your School Level Research Student Lead, and GCU Students' Association's Full Time Officer Lead for Postgraduates.
- Help with and promote Postgraduate events.
- Help with and promote postgraduate campaigns.

### Role Benefits:

In your role you will have the opportunity to:

- Develop leadership, communications and Meeting skills.
- Help shape the development of Postgraduate Studies within your Department.
- Take part GCU Students' Association Student Leaders Programme.
- Network and meet new people.
- Receive a £100 honorarium each trimester from the University's Graduate School.
- Make a real difference to your student experience and a positive difference in other students' lives.

### Support & Training:

To help you in your role we will provide training & support, including:

- Research Student Lead Training.
- Support from GCU Students' Association's Full Time Officer Lead for Postgraduates.
- Support from GCU Students' Association's Student Voice Team.
- Support from your Department's Postgraduate Research Tutor.
- Support from the GCU's Graduate School.

### Eligibility:

To be a Research Student Lead you must be a current Postgraduate Research (PhD) Student and a member of GCU Students' Association. You must also be on a programme of study that falls within the role that you wish volunteer.

**If you would like more information about this role please contact:**

- Chris Daisley, Vice-President (SEBE) @ [VP.SEBE@GCUstudents.co.uk](mailto:VP.SEBE@GCUstudents.co.uk) or
- Paul Stalker, Student Voice Coordinator @ [paulstalker@gcustudents.ac.uk](mailto:paulstalker@gcustudents.ac.uk)