

Committee Title	Student Voice
Date of Meeting	08 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Item Number and Title/Subject	Honorary Life Memberships
Paper Presenter	Chidozie Nwaigwe, Student President
Brief Summary of Issues/Topic	Schedule 1 (membership) outlines that the Students' Association may admit to Honorary Life Membership any person whom it wishes to honour for services to the Association. Nominations, accompanied by a list of reasons, must be submitted for consideration by the Student Voice.
	All Student Voice members were encouraged to submit nominations for Honorary Life Memberships by 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2024. One nomination was submitted.
	The Executive Committee met on 02 <sup>nd</sup> April 2024 to discuss individuals to be proposed to Student Voice for an Honorary Life Membership. This is four students and one non-student.
	GCU Students <ul> <li>Umran Ali Javaid</li> <li>Sofia Congradyova</li> <li>Kacy Chaudhry</li> <li>Afia Kazmi</li> </ul> <li>Non-Students <ul> <li>Rob Woodward</li> </ul> </li>
Recommendation(s)	Information Discussion Approval X
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Who have you consulted when developing the paper?	Executive Committee
Staff/Student Protocol	Yes No X N/A
Will any decision approved directly affect the work of staff?	
Should the paper be submitted to any other committee following its consideration/approval at this meeting?	No
If yes, please state the committee and proposed date of submission.	

# Umran Ali Javaid

Umran has shown exceptional bravery in his humanitarian prowess. Driving through war zones in Syria and Ukraine to provide aid for the needy, exemplifies his commitment to the common good.

### Sofia Congradyova

Sofia has been selfless in her time as a GCU student. She has been an exceptional member of student voice and continues to speak for students wherever she finds herself. She has also made meaningful contributions at the University Senate and continues to be an excellent student representative.

# **Kacy Chaudhry**

Being the chair of student voice, Kacy took diligent steps to ensure that student voice was engaging and that all good ideas were passed. These good leadership actions are crucial to improving the student experience and Kacy embodied them excellently well.

#### Afia Kazmi

I LOVE GCU and never want to leave. I've been in GCU since I was 15 years old (7 years now) due to the Student Mentor programme and Advance Higher Hub. I've completed a BEng (Hons) Electrical and Electronic Engineering degree and now, I'm studying MEng Electrical and Electronic Engineering.

My research paper was accepted by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers and I got the highest percentage in a dissertation presentation the engineering department has ever seen.

In my 7 years of being a GCU student, I've been part of basically EVERYTHING in GCU including, 8 job departments (e.g, Student Ambassador and Student Mentor) over 10 societies (e.g, CISA and EDIT) and class/department/student voice representative almost every year - ALL at the same time. I'm also doing the Common Good Award and the GCU Senator.

Basically, everyone knows me in uni. There is NO student with more EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE and LOVE for GCU than me (I even rejected an unconditional offer from Glasgow University for GCU).

#### **Rob Woodward**

Serving as Chair of the University Court since 2018, Rob has exemplified remarkable tact, elegance, and wisdom in guiding the affairs of our esteemed institution. His visionary leadership has spearheaded numerous initiatives that have elevated GCU's reputation and solidified our place as a premier institution of higher learning. Rob's unwavering dedication to the student body is evident in his steadfast advocacy for student-centric policies and his relentless pursuit of ensuring that every student receives the best possible experience at Glasgow Caledonian University. His profound impact on our university community resonates deeply, and we are honored to celebrate his enduring legacy by conferring upon him this distinguished honor of Honorary Life Membership.