## What's happening?

Every year one student is paid to work part-time to lead GCU London Students' Association. Elected by their peers they become leader of an organisation representing over 300 students.

Find out more about nominating yourself at www.GCUstudents.co.uk/londonelections.

We will support you through every step of the campaign.

### What do I need to do?

Any registered GCU student is eligible to stand to be our London Officer. That means if you are currently a registered student studying at GCU then you can do it.

Find information online at

www.GCUstudents.co.uk/londonelections

## **Key Dates**

#### **Nominations open**

Monday 28th September 2020, 9am

#### **Nominations close**

Friday 23rd October 2020, 12 noon

#### **Candidates' Briefing**

Monday 26th October 2020, 3 PM

#### **Voting opens**

Monday 2nd November 2020, 10 AM

#### **Voting closes**

Thursday 5th November 2020, 2 PM

#### Results announced

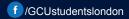
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Stand to be our Student representative





# What does the London Officer get?

If you're successful you'll not only find yourself in a paid role, you'll also gain unique skills and experience.

#### Pay

You'll receive £450, salaried over 3 trimesters.

#### Campaigning

Obviously not everyone who takes part is successful, but whether you win or not you'll gain great experience through running your election campaign which is an excellent CV booster - demonstrating motivation, determination and creativity.

#### Mentoring

Throughout your year in office you'll be mentored by our Students' Association Co-ordinator who will support, challenge and motivate you to get the most from your experience.

#### **London School Board**

In your role as a member of the London School Board you'll not only gain invaluable insight into how the London campus works day to day, you'll also make real decisions that shape its future.

#### **Experience**

You will gain experience of the following: chairing meetings, leading campaigns, communicating and team building skills.

#### **Employability**

Past representatives have found their experience in the role of London Officer a great benefit when applying for graduate careers.

# What does the London Representative do?

We hold two elections a year. The first election is for the role of London Officer, and later in the year we offer the chance of becoming a Full Time Officer in Glasgow.

This approach gives students the opportunity to get involved in all areas of the work we do including representation, campaigning, activities and events. We also focusing equally on each part of the university.

The Students' Association constantly strives to improve upon the services and activities we offer and to ensure that the voices of all GCU London students are heard. In order to make this happen, our Trustees have come up with a strategic plan to take us forward.

Our London Officer works to implement this plan and ensure that it remains relevant to the lives of our members - GCU students.

Working through this plan has led to important and tangible results for our members:



Removal of graduation fees for all students from summer 2020.



Extension of the London library hours at peak periods of the year.



Stopped module resit fees being increased from £40 to £300.



Joint Student Mental Health Agreement with University

By becoming an elected officer, you can make a difference to the lives of GCU students.

### How do I do it?

#### **Deciding to stand**

Take a look at the Role Description online and speak to the Students' Association Co-ordinator.

#### **Nominating yourself**

The easy bit. Just download a form from our website and email it in to us. We'll be in touch to tell you what vou need to do next.

#### **Getting elected**

Voting takes place from 10am on Monday 2nd November 2020 to 2pm on Thursday 5th November 2020. To be successful you'll need to convince people you're the best person for the job. That might sound daunting, but there's plenty of support on offer to you.

We've got campaign advice online to help you start planning, and all candidates will be invited to attend a Candidates' Briefing session as well as optional campaign training sessions. You will also get £10 from us to fund your campaign.