

Report by Student President

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Committees: Student Voice

Action: Approve

Full Time Officer Individual Objectives

	Main Priorities	Progress <i>What have you achieved since the last meeting?</i>
1.	Develop work on the NUS Think Positive Student Mental Health Agreement 2018-19	<p>Established a working group for the Student Mental Health Agreement and has been proactive in expanding the membership of the committee.</p> <p>Finalised actions for the SMHA, and engaging with NUS on this.</p> <p>Working to establish a launch event for the 17/18 Student Mental Health Agreement to increase staff and student awareness and engagement with the project.</p> <p>Published the agreement and information on our website at https://www.gcustudents.co.uk/advice-centre/student-mental-health-agreement</p> <p>Presented our Student Mental Health Agreement as an example of best practise at Think Positive's National Learning, Sharing and Networking Event on the 24th of January.</p>
2.	Implement 'Let's Talk' Preventing and Responding to Gender Based Violence Workshops at GCU Students' Association.	<p>Have established T2 dates for trainers to deliver the sessions to GCU Students, and these are being delivered through the Student Leaders Programme.</p> <p>Working with Rape Crisis Scotland to launch their 'It Stops Now' Campaign nationally across Scotland.</p> <p>In discussions with University regarding obtaining funding to ensure the sustainability of the Let's Talk Workshops beyond the 2019 academic year.</p>
3.	Negotiating a potential relocation of GCU Students' Association on campus	Facilitated a discussion between the University Executive and our Trustee Board regarding the potential proposed move

		<p>Ongoing discussions between the university executive and myself regarding feasibility, and potential outcomes of a potential move. Students' will be included in any consultations on proposals.</p> <p>Produced a statement to keep members informed following the previous student voice on the potential relocation of the students' association building https://www.gcstudents.co.uk/articles/potential-relocation-of-students-association-building</p>
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Full Time Officer Team Objectives

	Main Priorities	Progress <i>What have you achieved since the last meeting?</i>
1.	Undertake the NUS Healthy Body Healthy Mind Award Accreditation	<p>Attended sessions in the Think Positive Learning, Sharing and Networking event regarding the HBHM accreditation</p> <p>Participated in university discussions and focus group regarding smoking on the university campus</p>
2.	Evaluate and relaunch Student Partnership agreement	Working to relaunch the student partnership agreement in the second trimester, during our academic rep gathering.
3.	Evaluate and Implement a review of the representative structure	<p>The new representation model for UG, PGT and PGR students has currently been implemented.</p> <p>Ongoing plans are in place to review the roles and structure at the end of trimester 2.</p>

Remit Progress

	Main Priorities	Progress <i>What have you achieved since the last meeting?</i>
1.	GCU London	<p>Visited the London Campus with VP GSBS on the 31st of January to meet students on the campus, and work closely with the London representatives to champion their campaigns.</p> <p>Took part in a student meet and greet/listening event session with VP GSBS to hear from London Students their concerns, and any feedback they may have, and have since arranged contact with relevant members of staff to help resolve issues.</p>

2.	GCU Caledonian New York College	<p>In mid-December, both myself and VP SCEBE had the opportunity to visit our GCU Campus in New York (Glasgow Caledonian New York College, or GCNYC for short)</p> <p>Engaged with GCNYC Students on campus and learned about their experiences</p> <p>Attended an event at which the first ever cohort of GCNYC Students presented their research thesis in 3 minutes</p> <p>Attended the GCNYC Commencement Ceremony (Graduations)</p> <p>https://www.gcustudents.co.uk/articles/visiting-our-students-in-new-york</p>
3.	Estates (excluding Caledonian Court)	Work is ongoing in this area regarding the potential move as mentioned previously under my objectives.
4.	Library	Currently working with the Ethical and Environmental Officer to support their environmental campaign and implement ECOSIA into the second floor of the Saltire Centre.
5.	Marketing and Communications	<p>Produced a statement on the potential relocation of the students' association building</p> <p>https://www.gcustudents.co.uk/articles/potential-relocation-of-students-association-building</p> <p>Produced a statement and worked with the university following the disruption caused by GCU Learn over the exam's period</p> <p>https://www.gcustudents.co.uk/articles/student-president-statement-on-gcu-learn-disruption-updated-04-01-19</p> <p>Worked with the University and FTOs to produce a communications video for the NSS</p> <p>https://www.gcustudents.co.uk/articles/final-year-students-complete-the-nss-2019</p>
6.	Student Voice and Ideas Process	Finalised action plan to encourage a greater number of Ideas by Students to Student Voice
7.	GCU Wellbeing (Campus Life Desk, Faith and Belief and Gender Based Violence)	<p>Gender Based Violence</p> <p>Presented at a seminar on higher education's work on preventing and responding to gender based violence organised by a PGR Student at GCU during the 16-days of action against sexual violence.</p>

	<p>Liaising with Rape Crisis Scotland to launch their It Stops Now Campaign in Scotland with SRC at Glasgow University.</p> <p>Let's Talk Workshops Discussed above under individual objectives.</p> <p>National Work Continue to be a member of the NUS Scotland Committee to work to prevent and respond gender based violence in higher and further education institutions across Scotland.</p> <p>University Projects Continue to attend the GCU and GCU/GU Joint Working group to develop our joint work. This includes supporting the Universities introduction of Erase the Grey Ambassadors, and working on other initiatives to prevent and respond to gender based violence.</p> <p>Mental Health Work ongoing on the student mental health agreement and healthy body, healthy mind accreditation as per above.</p> <p>Working to develop a proposal for a Student Mental Health Representation Officer and Group, which was brought to several student voice sub-committees and is now being presented to this student voice for discussion.</p> <p>Working with the university to promote and develop mindfulness courses for students as per an outstanding action for the previous student voice meeting.</p> <p>Continue to be involved in developing a One Young World mental health working group https://www.gcustudents.co.uk/articles/i-went-to-one-young-world-in-holland</p> <p>Continue to participate in a project known as INCLUDE which is looking to re-shape the curriculum at GCU to benefit GCU Student wellbeing</p> <p>Appointed as a Board Member at Student Minds Advisory Board</p> <p>Successfully became a qualified Mental Health First Aider after attending training by the NHS</p> <p>Spoke at the Scottish Parliament during the President Ministerial Round Table event on behalf of GCU students' and enquired about support from the Scottish Government for student mental health</p>
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		<p>Designed and delivered a workshop during the Trimester A Representative gathering on student mental health both in the sector and at GCU, and will deliver this again in the second trimester https://www.gcustudents.co.uk/articles/student-mental-health-workshop</p> <p>Attended the Think Positive Student Mental Health Agreement Advisory Board meeting https://www.gcustudents.co.uk/articles/i-got-appointed-to-a-national-mental-health-board</p> <p>Wrote an article on how GCU Students' Association supports student mental wellbeing https://www.gcustudents.co.uk/articles/supporting-your-mental-wellbeing</p> <p>Actively working to ensure the publication of a GCU student support booklet which outlines every on campus and local available support for students</p>
8.	Champion: Disabled Students' Group	<p>Hosted an event for Disability History Month in partnership with the University on the intersectional experience of individuals who define in both the LGBTQI+ and Disability communities https://www.facebook.com/events/265662547432628/ <i>working with the university and external speakers to re-arrange another panel discussion for trimester B</i></p> <p>Wrote an article for the GCU Students' Association website on the support that GCU students who define and disclose having a disability can receive from GCUSA https://www.gcustudents.co.uk/articles/disabled-students-support-at-gcu-students-association</p> <p>Established the GCU Disabled Students' Network https://www.facebook.com/groups/GCUDisabledStudentsNetwork</p> <p>Actively involved in trying to recruit another Disabled Students' Officer</p>
9.	Glasgow Student Forum	<p>Chaired the first meeting of the Glasgow Student Forum after being elected chair.</p> <p>Co-ordinated successful elections to appoint the Vice Chair of the GSF</p>

		Set agenda and began to work collaboratively with institutions – for example on the Safe Taxi's Project.
10.	Community Engagement	<p>Santa Sacks Successfully co-ordinated a donation appeal for Woodside Community Council and Help the Homeless Glasgow.</p> <p>Raised the most number of items for both community groups amongst Glasgow's three universities, and 'won' the challenge. https://www.gcustudents.co.uk/articles/we-won-the-santa-sacks-challenge-again</p>
11.	University Court	<p>Met with the GCU Students' Association lay Governor link at GCU Court.</p> <p>Attended all Court Sub-Committees</p>
12.	Other	<p>Attended Glasgow winter graduations</p> <p>Actively involved in the University working group for World Aids Day and in supporting efforts for the Students' Association</p> <p>Working with Glasgow Taxi's and Strathclyde to re-launch our Safe Taxi's Scheme</p> <p>Attended additional training for Senate Disciplinary Committees on Equality and Diversity</p> <p>Attended the Enhancement Themes Theme Leader Group Conference with VP SCEBE</p>

Plans Before the Next Meeting

	Main Priorities	Intended Outcome/Impact <i>What difference will this meeting or event make?</i>
1.	Ensure the sustainability of the GBV Projects	The workshops will continue to be delivered to GCU Students
2.	Finalised evaluation document for HBHM	Document can be submitted to the national union of students, and GCU students' association can obtain their award
3.	Finalise and publish the 18/19 Student Mental Health Agreement on the GCU Students' Association website	Students will be aware and up to date with current mental health initiatives in the university