

Student Voice Report by Student President

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Action:

Approve/For Information

Full Time Officer Individual Objectives

	Main Priorities	Progress <i>What have you achieved since the last meeting?</i>
1.	SA Strategy 2025	Discussed start date
2.	We all Stand Together Campaign	Discussing collaboration events within the GCU SA communities with groups and individuals. Looking at how we can produce a legacy video
3.	Investigate/Write funding bid for Mind your Mate and 'Suicide Prevention'	Investigation underway. Contacted previous applicants.

Full Time Officer Team Objectives

	Main Priorities	Progress <i>What have you achieved since the last meeting?</i>
1.	To include the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's) into the next Students' Association Strategic Plan and Operational Plan.	Arranged SDG Society meeting, with VP SCEBE, VP SHLS and our Pro Vice Chancellor in attendance. Discussed how to take the society forward and how to embed SDG's into SA and wider community. Agreed on an education campaign to inform on what the SDG's are.
2.	Supporting students' mental health by communicating the benefits of participating in the GCU community, such as through our clubs, societies, groups.	Encouraged students to join clubs, societies and groups and to build their own communities through officer engagement, videos, lecture shout videos, social media, shared VP SCEBE Mindful Monday posts. Planning and creating events and activities and support to take part in the NUS Scotland Think Positive Mental Health Partnership Agreement.
3.	No room for racism at GCU campaign (educate, no room for hate)	FTO's attended the Tackling Racism Working Group Discussions with university and how we can work in partnership.

Remit Progress

	Main Priorities	Progress <i>What have you achieved since the last meeting?</i>
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1.	GCU London	Met with London Officer and London Reps and listened to any concerns or issues to take action
2.	GCU Communications & Public Affairs	Attended weekly communications meetings and input on all aspects of comms and public affairs. Filmed on campus with the comms team and other FTO's on module evaluations, alumni events and Christmas message from SA
3.	GCU Facilities and Estates (not Caledonian Court or Catering)	Attended weekly Safe Return to Campus meetings with the university to represent the students views
4.	APPC (Academic Policy and Practice Committee)	Read papers and attended APPC meeting, commented and put views across on any item that affected students' academic interests.
5.	ELIR (Enhancement-led Institutional Review)	Attended ELIR briefing and took part in ELIR RV Reorientation Meeting and answered questions from the panel
6.	University Court	Wrote Student President Court Report and presented at Court. Read papers and commented where required, attended court.
7.	Champion: LGBT+ Group	Met with LGBT+ Officer and suggested social media takeover for Transgender Day of Remembrance 2020 and liaised with the SA to discuss operational aspects, also provided photo for the Transgender Day of Remembrance 2020 social media post.
8.	Academic and Student Experience	Attended weekly meetings to represent the students and work with the university to enhance the student experience. Discussed issues such as extra exam time for all students, suggested extra 10/15 mins per hour which was approved at this meeting.
9.	Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Met with Alumni team to discuss 50th Anniversary event. • Met with the principal to discuss live issues. Attended Exec Board with university exec team to discuss live issues. • Organised, attended and took part in Board of governor event with students. • Organised, attended and took part in Meet the principal event with students. • Assisted in discussions re comms for students asymptomatic testing on campus • Catch up with FTO team and GCU comms leads to discuss any issue • Catch up between FTO's and Deputy Vice Chancellor Strategy and Deputy Vice-Chancellor Learning, Teaching and Student Experience to discuss live issues • Catch up with Chief Operating Officer with VP SHLS and VP SCEBE to discuss live issues

10.	Open Days	Attended and presented at GCU open days to discuss the SA and our resources and benefits of being involved
11.	Student Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hosted our regular Ask the Officer online with the rest of the FTO's • Attended other Ask the Officers with different team members hosting and took part in discussions and answering questions from students • Suggested a 2-hour session for International students in an extra 'Coffee and Chat' session for students to come and discuss any issues, issues were taken to exec and are being actioned • Filmed for our 'Lecture Shout' videos to let students know what we have been up to and what is coming up on a regular basis • Regular meetings with students to discuss live issues
12.	Smarthinking Pilot	Worked in partnership with the university on a pilot for 24/7 academic writing, statistics and basic maths help for students 365 days a year.

Plans Before the Next Meeting

	Main Priorities	Intended Outcome/Impact <i>What difference will this meeting or event make?</i>
1.	Work on the SDG Campaign	This will educate students on what the SDG Goals are and how embedding them into the lives of the GCU community can create positive change.
2.	Begin work on the SA Strategy 2025	To help clarify and shape the vision of the SA
3.	Mental Health-Building Communities	Work to embed mental health into our liberation, representation, societies and sports clubs to increase wellbeing and mental health. Work towards peer support to create a culture of care within the student body and build stronger communities.