

Committee Title	Student Voice		
Date of Meeting	4 th December 2023		
Title/Subject	Representation officer appointments		
Paper Presenter	Chair		
Brief Summary of Issues/Topic	As part of the redrafting of the Elections Schedule in 2021-22, a new process was introduced for Representation Networks and other Student Voice Officer roles that do not have an Officer after a nomination/voting period and a by-election nomination period.		
	From Schedule 4 (elections) 7.4 If an elected Student Voice Officer position, excluding Full Time Officers, remains unfilled after a By-election then the Executive Committee may co-opt a member to be the acting Student Voice Officer for that position. A co-opted Officer must be voted on at the next meeting of Student Voice to confirm their Office.		
	Elections and by-elections for Representation Officers were held in the Representation Networks at the end of Tri 2 last academic year and by election were held after this to fill some remaining positions.		
	After this time, two positions remained vacant. Throughout the summer, we continued to try to recruit Officers for these positions. As a result of these efforts the Executive Committee has co-opted the following students for these positions: • Student Carers Officer – Stacey McFadyen		
	 Disabled Students officer – Maria Habib Caledonian Court Residents Officer – Azeez Odu-Onikosi 		
Recommendation(s)	Information	Discussion	Approval x
	Any member can ask a question by raising their voting card and being recognised by the Chair to speak. Student Voice are asked to approve.		
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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.			

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Officer Position

Student Carers Officer

What trimesters will you be enroled at GCU for the 2023-24 academic year?

Trimester 1 (Sept 2023 - Dec 2023)

Trimester 2 (Jan 2024 - May 2024)

Do you self-identify as a member of the group selected above?

Yes

At the start of your CURRENT programme of study, were you aged 21 or over OR studying on a part-time basis

Are you a resident of Caledonian Court for the 2021-22 academic year and NOT currently a Resident Adviser

I confirm I am a member of the online network (to join network, click the orange "Join This Group" button and sign in)

Yes

Introduce yourself. Why are you interested in this role? What do you want to achieve?

I am interested in this role as It is important to hear the views and opinions of student carers. Being one myself, sometimes it can feel like we aren't being recognised. I want to help advocate and identify the strengths of each person as everyone is unique and not just a carer. I have had experiences that will help me with this role, such as being class rep and being involved with the wellbeing team. I would like to achieve a safe and welcoming environment for student carers. To highlight that carers can come to university and pursue a degree without their responsibilities holding them back. To hear their voices and try and make uni life a smooth process as much as possible.

Maria Habib – Disabled Students Officer

Available both trimesters A and B.

I am Maria Habib, a student of MSC International Banking and finance at Glasgow Caledonian university. I have a condition known as infantile hemiparesis (weakness in the left side of my body which affects my walking and speech). But I'm always delighted with my work and studies. As a disabled GCU I would like to represent of common issues among students to help on campus but also off campus.

Disabled student officers have a huge responsibility to their delegates. I am deeply acknowledged about the role which helps me to enhance my confidence and management skills. Glasgow Caledonian has a free mobility campus which helps many students to move around easily. But I'm passionate about people with intellectual issues. We can encourage their presence on campus by demonstrating pictures or involving different forms of workshops linked with their courses. Another task I'd like to do is career campaigning for disabled students. We know that career service has great teams with support students as they are helping people with disabilities, but it should have a proper platform.

Azeez Odu-Onikosi

Officer Position

Caledonian Court Residents Officer

What trimesters will you be enroled at GCU for the 2023-24 academic year?

Trimester 1 (Sept 2023 - Dec 2023); Trimester 2 (January 24-May 24)

Do you self-identify as a member of the group selected above?

Yes

At the start of your CURRENT programme of study, were you aged 21 or over OR studying on a part-time basis

Are you a resident of Caledonian Court for the 2021-22 academic year and NOT currently a Resident Adviser

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Introduce yourself. Why are you interested in this role? What do you want to achieve?

I am Azeez Odu-onikosi a postgraduate student of User experience and interaction design. my primary focus is to ensure a positive and enriching living experience for the students. I aim to create an environment that promotes well-being, community engagement, ethnicity and diversity and a sense of belonging. My goal is to facilitate a smooth and enjoyable stay for students, addressing their needs and concerns while fostering a sense of community and camaraderie within the hostel. Ultimately, I am driven by the desire to contribute to the overall growth and development of the students during their time at Caledonian Court.

Further info from Azeez's application email:

I am writing to express my enthusiastic interest as the Caledonia Court Officer. With a background in hospitality and a genuine passion for fostering a positive living environment, I believe I am well-suited for this role and can contribute significantly to enhancing the living experience for my colleagues.

Creating vast relationships with colleagues regardless of diversity and having strong organizational skills, attention to detail, and the ability to create a welcoming atmosphere make me confident that I can deliver as a Caledonian court Officer, I am committed to ensuring the well-being and comfort of residents within the court. I envision implementing initiatives to promote community engagement, organize events that cater to diverse interests, and maintain open lines of communication to address any concerns promptly.

I am confident that my interpersonal skills, coupled with my proactive approach to problem-solving, will contribute to a harmonious and enjoyable living environment at Caledonian Court. I look forward to the opportunity to further discuss how my skills align with the goals of the position.

Thank you for your consideration. I am excited about the prospect of contributing to the Caledonian court and ensuring that every resident's stay is not only worthwhile but also memorable.