



**Contract:** Fixed Term Contract: June 2025 – June 2026

**Hours of work:** Full Time, 37 hours per week

**Responsible to:** Board of Trustees

Renumeration: £26,979

#### **Role Overview:**

From attending meetings with the Vice Chancellor and being part of UWE's Board of Governors, to planning campaigns, the role of The Students' Union President is all encompassing. This high-profile role can have a great deal of influence through engaging with students from all campus sites, understanding their priorities and making positive change at UWE by working closely with University partners, The Students' Union and other key stakeholders.

### **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES**

### Leadership & Governance

- As part of leading The Students' Union, you will chair important committees that make decisions to improve the academic interests and student experience of all UWE Bristol students. This includes the Student Governors Forum (with the Vice Chancellor of UWE Bristol), Partnership Board and Executive Committee.
- You will act as a **Trustee of The Students' Union**, helping to ensure it operates effectively and responsibly and as a member of **Academic Board** and as a **University Governor**, you will represent students at the highest level.

#### **Student Representation**

- You will lead on key student issues locally and nationally, including at the annual **NUS Conference** by working with the Vice Presidents to hear and act upon UWE students' feedback and ideas.
- **Student Council** is a key forum that ensures Presidents are held to account, you will attend them with the Vice Presidents and prepare key documents in advance.

#### **Collaboration & Support**

- Teamwork is key to a successful term, you will work with the Vice Presidents and Part Time Officers on campaigns, events, and conferences that matter to the students.
- Strengthening partnerships with key stakeholders, like The Students' Union CEO and **UWE Vice- Chancellor** is vital to effective collaboration.

#### **Student Engagement & Inclusion**

- As UWE has three campuses with diverse student experiences, you will be expected to go to students to gather feedback and insight.
- Communication is key to involve everyone. You will promote The Students' Unions campaigns, events, and opportunities via email and official social media, including the annual **Student Elections**.

#### **Event Support**

• We run so many different events at The Students' Union, you will be present at key events like **Open Days**, **Welcome Events and SU activities**.

## **GENERAL EXPECTATIONS**

• Act as a Students' Union Ambassador: Represent the SU's values and uphold its commitment to inclusivity, sustainability, and equality.

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  UNION
- Work Professionally: Respond to emails, attend training, and follow SU policies, including Health & Safety and Financial Procedures.
- Represent the academic interests and student experience of a diverse range of students through data, evidence and engaging in student feedback mechanisms.

## WHAT IS A TRUSTEE?

- As a registered charity, The Students' Union is led by a Board of Trustees. The Board is made up of the up to 5 elected <u>President Trustees</u>, up to 2 appointed Student Trustees and up to 4 appointed External Trustees. They meet usually 4 times per year to make decisions in the interest of students.
- The Board of Trustees are responsible for the management and administration of The Students' Union and (subject to the Education Act, the Articles and Bye Laws) may exercise all the powers of The Students' Union including responsibility for governance, budget and strategy. It's an important role with heaps of experience, any employer would be impressed to see it on your CV!

## WHAT YOU'LL BRING TO THE ROLE

- A passion for ensuring students are represented and empowering others to drive change.
- Effective campaigning on issues that matter to UWE students.
- Attributes such as being proactive, personable and flexible.
- Ability to collaborate with others, working effectively as part of a team and ability to communicate with a wide range of stakeholders.
- Creating change against your laid out objectives for the year, and supporting your team in achieving theirs.

## WHAT SUPPORT AND TRAINING YOU WILL GET

Presidents and Officers elected will be fully supported by staff at The Students' Union through a variety of different ways, including:

- Comprehensive induction process that includes a handover period from the previous President team.
- Day-to-day support from The Students' Union staff members.
- Wellbeing support through The Students' Union services and access to staff only wellbeing spaces.
- Additional skills training opportunities and networking via conferences.

# WHAT YOU'LL GAIN FROM THE ROLE

- Develop skills for your CV.
- Learn new skills such as management of finances and people and campaign strategy
- Make a difference you will be part of key decision making to guide The Students' Union to make effective change for the students.
- Meeting new people and building networks across the student body and UWE Bristol.

# **ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION:**

- You must be a registered student (undergraduate or postgraduate) of UWE Bristol in order to nominate yourself for this role.
- This is a full-time (37 hours per week) employed role, therefore you must have the relevant right to work documents and paperwork to work full-time in the UK. You also will not be studying during your sabbatical year.
- This role is a trustee of the university, you must be eligible to be a charity trustee.
- The term of office for the academic year 2025/26 will begin 23 June 2025 and end 26 June 2026.

To find out more about this role, contact suelections@uwe.ac.uk or speak to the current President team.