

Scrutiny 2023/24- Executive officers final report

This report details our executive officer team this year (2023/24) and their progressions, as well as what they have passed onto the next officer team. Before I talk about our executive officers many achievements this year, I would like to thank them all for their dedication to improving our experience as students at the University of Leicester. Without these officers' dedication to their roles, we would not have seen progressions like the introduction of monthly gym memberships making fitness more accessible to all, the implementation of fees and income onto university campus, and the highest recorded turn out for SU elections (in terms of both voters and candidates) to name a few. Many of the initiatives inspired by officers' own experiences demonstrate how they are using their own voice for the benefit of others.

Jack McDonald (*Activities officer 2023/24*)

The depth of the role of Activities Officer is overwhelming, but Jack has managed to hit the ball out of the park during his time in the role. He is consistently able to give students, societies and institutions, like the Attenborough Arts Centre a space to flourish.

Despite encountering multiple issues around funding, Jack has been able to recruit enough members of the Activities team to ensure really good student group support. His organisation of welcome week for both the September and January cohorts delivered a fantastic range of events for new students as well as revising accessibility to make the fun available to everyone. Jack also organised a volunteering fair for the Refreshers fair, as well as collaborating with the university to relaunch the volunteering hub to ensure students have access to opportunities and serve the community.

Sustainability advancements have been made under Jack's supervision as Activities Officer, like the formation of the 'Green Bubble Leadership Committee', which is dedicated to making the university a more sustainable environment. Jack's motivation for increasing visibility of the arts is reflected in the great idea to create an 'Arts Awards,' a chance to represent and celebrate the achievements of arts students.

Jack's significant performance this year is commendable, and his hard work is clearly reflected through his achievements. He is clearly committed to the role to consistently create outlets to empower students and student groups. Jack's work lays out a clear vision for the future of the Students' Union, I hope the officer taking his place is as dedicated and engaged as Jack has been.

This year's officers have exceeded expectations to provide for the students they represent, and I hope their work continues to inspire and motivate the people around them as they have this year. All of the Executive Officers have contributed largely to the advancement of our Students' Union: their incredibly hard work must not go unnoticed. Each officer has individually created an environment where students can flourish and receive the help they need from our SU within the university. If you have any questions about this report, please contact vb154@student.le.ac.uk.