

What to create opportunities and put the fun into the Student Experience? Why not run as VP Student Activities?

Vice President Student Activities is a role that embraces **variety**. The most important characteristic a VP Student Activities can have is **enthusiasm**;

- The enthusiasm to get behind the 75+ sports clubs, societies and volunteering & fundraising groups that exist in The Students' Union so that they thrive.
- The enthusiasm to **inspire** other students to get involved and follow their passions and the ability to communicate that enthusiasm to the student population so they know what is happening in The Students' Union.

The Vice President Student Activities role is perfect for students that are **passionate** about sports, societies and volunteering. Working with local and national charities, other university departments and leading and supporting student campaigns and building networks are all ways in which VP Student Activities ensure they are successful.

Sometimes the role means sitting in meetings and **championing student groups** to ensure they have the resources they need, while running events and activities that give students opportunities to get involved.

This role works closely with the University's sports staff to develop **Participation, Fitness, Competition and Inclusion** in the student population. They encourage and enable students to lead healthy lifestyles through awareness raising, education and example. Most importantly they make sure Sports are for all students regardless of background or circumstance. You'll also play a key role in organising Varsity.

One of the most rewarding parts of the role are working closely with minority groups, strengthening the student **community**, getting involved with local projects in Worcester and championing volunteering

Above all, the VP Student Activities works with students to make sure that their time at University is as **fun and enjoyable** as possible, ensuring the Union provides opportunities that develop students that enable them to succeed when they leave university. How an individual goes about achieving this is entirely up to them.

All Full-Time Officers' Responsibilities

- Be a trustee of Worcester Students' Union
- Be an active member of the Full-Time Officer team and the Executive Committee and support the Part-Time Executive Officers in their work, enabling them to achieve their goals
- Be a Student Councillor and attend 8 Student Council meetings a year, producing a report for each meeting
- Represent the Students' Union and its members on key University boards and committees and attend regular meetings with the Vice Chancellor and other members of the University's senior management team
- Work collaboratively with Students' Union staff and the Chief Executive to ensure that the Union works to meet its objects as a charity
- Chair relevant Students' Union committees and meetings
- Always act and behave in accordance with the Students' Union's rules, policies and procedures
- Promote active involvement with Worcester Students' Union to all of its members
- Play an active role in the Appointments Committee, Finance Committee, HR Committee and Development Committee, in addition to other Students' Union Committees which may be established
- Develop the #TeamWorc identity and brand, so that students feel a sense of belonging





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Individual Role Description

Vice President Student Activities

- Be an **active member** of the Full-Time Officer team, **deputising for the President** as necessary
- Actively promote and support the establishment of **new sports clubs and societies**
- Specifically work to encourage **under-represented groups of students**, such as part-time, mature and female students, to get involved in sport, societies or some form of physical/cultural activity within the University
- Work closely with the Student Engagement Co-ordinator to provide **information, advice, support and training for clubs and societies and develop volunteering and RAG.**
- Plan and co-ordinate new events and activities which develop further social and recreational opportunities for students to improve social welfare
- **Represent the Students' Union** and its members on University boards including the **Board of Sport** and committees, recruitment panels, working groups etc as required
- **Liaise** regularly with University departments such as Student Services and ISES as well as external stakeholders to ensure opportunities and services are well promoted and appeal to students
- Be the public face of student sport and represent Worcester Students' Union in sports-related **activities and events, including Varsity and the Colours Ball**
- **Organise and chair** meetings with student groups and other Students' Union committees as required eg SU sports committee, SU societies committee
- **Initiate and co-ordinate campaigns** which support students' **welfare**, in conjunction with the part-time Welfare Officer and Student Services

Along with your individual manifesto aims and role descriptions, there will be operational activities within the Student's Union and University that you will automatically be involved in as one of the SU's Full Time Officers.

Below are a few examples of these activities that the Vice President Student Activities has undertaken, from the last couple of years:

- Big role in helping the organisation of Varsity
- Supporting the weekly organisation of BUCS fixtures
- Arranging regular training for club and society committee members
- Encouraging students to contribute articles to the 'Worc Hard Play Hard' magazine
- Helping to organise the Sports Ball
- Working with the University on a strategy for Sport and sitting on the Sports Board

