Sabbatical Officer - Social Sciences and Social Professions Jessica Hoarau

I am a final year undergraduate student studying Theatre and Performance Practice. Over the past three years my love and passion for London Met has grown. I have enjoyed being part of the university community and now I want to stand and represent other students, giving everyone the opportunity to have a voice. I want to promote development and participation in the student union and university activities so that everyone can enjoy the university experience to its fullest potential like I have.

Aside from my studies I am also currently the vice-captain of the netball team and have been an active member of the team throughout my entire university career. Despite only having limited responsibilities in representing the student union at the moment, I feel I have the potential, ability and enthusiasm to take on more and act as a face of the union and promote a positive image. I am eager to aid the development of the union by improving the three key themes; student voice, activity and infrastructure. By expanding each of these components I wish to bring about change to the university environment and provide the opportunity for all students to try new things and gain skills for employability and life.

As well as promoting and organizing student campaigns I will also lobby for:

Boosting a more educational and communal experience for students
- Create interactions and collaborations between courses and campuses.
- Organizing more guest lecturers and speakers with backgrounds relevant to student’s courses.
- Focus on employability and prepare students for the working world with the help of internships and volunteering.
-Creating more social study space.

Student voice and student welfare
-Ensure all students with disabilities and learning difficulties voices are heard so all support needed is provided.
-Campaign for a ‘crèche’, a caring and fun environment for students with children who struggle with childcare fees run by volunteers from childcare courses.
-Request given extensions for students with children.
-Create more campaigns around campus related to health and financial aid.
-Insist on cheaper priced food and beverages of quality across all campuses.

Creating more events through the union
- Get to experience every student’s culture and religion. (E.g. World foods day).
- Student Union social events to get everyone involved across all campuses (E.g. Performances).
-Build more awareness for societies and ways to get involved in the Student Union.
-Lobby for more funding in societies to increase social activity.
-Develop all activity across the Student Union to bring about change.

I want to provide guidance and assistance where possible to ensure that every student’s experience at London Metropolitan University is unforgettable!