

Dear Student,

Thank you for considering standing to be a council member on Glasgow University's Students' Representative Council.

Getting involved in the SRC is a great way to meet new people, build your CV and help improve the student experience for everyone. Whether you're running to be a School Representative or College Convenor, one of our Equal Opportunity Officers, or a General Representative, the decision to get involved and represent students may be one of the best decisions you've made at university.

The Students' Representative Council represents students on a large number of university committees at different levels. From University Court to the Student Experience Committee, we deal with issues relating to student welfare, learning and teaching, accommodation, study spaces, the digital experience and much more. Please contact us if you would like a full list of the committees on which the SRC has a seat.

Although representation is a key focus, we do a lot more than that. Our sabbatical officers and council members organise a range of exciting and engaging events, which are focal points within the University's calendar, and these aim to benefit students alongside the wider community. Some of our big annual events include our Raising and Giving week, the Student Teaching Awards, the Volunteering & Clubs and Society Awards, and many more. We also lead on a number of campaigns, such as around preventing Gender Based Violence, mental health awareness and suicide prevention, as well as promoting crucial calendar dates such as International Women's Week and LGBTQ+ History Month. Council members are also invited to a wealth of social events, ranging from Christmas socials to the Annual Council Dinner in spring.

There are a number of other ways you can get involved in the work the SRC does, such as through Volunteering, Student Media or helping with Welcome Week. I hope that your interest in supporting the student body on a wide range of issues will continue, and that you will involve yourself and engage with the SRC and its varied events and opportunities throughout the year.

Being part of the SRC is a truly unique experience; I have loved my time on council so far and I'm so thankful for the skills, experiences, and friendships I've gained along the way. I would recommend the opportunity to everyone - you won't regret it!

Best of luck with your campaign and remember, if you have any questions don't hesitate to email [elections@src.gla.ac.uk](mailto:elections@src.gla.ac.uk) with any questions.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rinna Väre", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rinna Väre  
SRC President



## **ELECTION INFORMATION**

### **GUIDE TO POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

### **POSTGRADUATE COLLEGE CONVENOR**

#### **SPONSORS REQUIRED – 6**

#### **SPONSOR ELIGIBILITY –**

- **Must be a fully registered student at the University of Glasgow.**
- **Must be studying within the College the candidate is standing for.**
- **Must be a postgraduate student.**

#### **POSITIONS AVAILABLE - 5**

- 1 x Postgraduate College Convenor - Arts*
- 1 x Postgraduate College Convenor – MVLS*
- 1 x Postgraduate College Convenor – Science and Engineering*
- 1 x Postgraduate College Convenor – Social Sciences*
- 1 x Postgraduate Research Convenor*

#### **Job Description**

The SRC recognises that Postgraduate students require dedicated representation on academic and social issues. A Postgraduate Convenor, therefore, represents the Postgraduate students at their college. In this way, their role is similar to that of a College Convenor, but their specialised knowledge of the Postgraduate community tailors them to a more specific group. Four Convenors are elected, one from each College: Science and Engineering, Medical Veterinary and Life Sciences, Arts, and Social Sciences. The responsibilities of a Postgraduate Representative can vary greatly, and they are an integral part of Council's function. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Working together in organising working groups to discuss issues raised by students
- Informing Council and liaising regularly with the VP Education and President

- Attending College Meetings with relevant members of University staff to discuss issues regarding the University environment, the learning process, and course information
- Contacting students to advise them of SRC practices and initiatives, and to update students on any issues raised
- Awareness of the wider issues affecting Postgraduate students at a local and national level
- Engage with postgraduate community via user groups and the Gilchrist Postgraduate Club

In addition to these responsibilities, Postgraduate Convenors are expected to attend all Student Council meetings and University Senate meetings and must occasionally represent the SRC on relevant University academic committees. Opportunities will also arise for election to various University committees and positions. The position of Postgraduate Representative is, therefore, challenging and rewarding in equal measure.

### **SRC Committees and Working Groups**

The SRC may establish sub committees or working parties to consider certain areas of its work and sometimes consider policy motions. College Convenors may participate in the work of such committees and groups (and can suggest the establishment of new groups or committees).

### **University Committees**

Council votes in autumn to elect members to sit on a variety of University committees, including Library Committee, Museums and Galleries Committee, Senate, Senate Disciplinary and Student Support Development Committee. Please contact the PA to the Permanent Secretary for a full list of committees.

## CHECKLIST

### PLEASE CHECK YOU HAVE:

- Completed an online nomination form by 12 noon on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> of September.
- Checked that your sponsors are all fully registered students of the University of Glasgow and eligible to sponsor the position you are standing for. **We recommend that you add additional sponsors to help you meet your quota in case any of your selected sponsors are not eligible.**
- Make sure all your sponsors are confirmed by 4pm on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> of September.
- Submitted an electronic photo to the elections email address by 4pm Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> of September.
- Submitted your manifesto (no more than 200 words) as an attachment to the elections email address, by 4pm Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> of September.
- Read the job description.
- Read and understood the election rules and regulations.

**If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Deputy Returning Officer, on [elections@src.gla.ac.uk](mailto:elections@src.gla.ac.uk)**

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