

# **ELECTION INFORMATION**

## **GUIDE TO POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

### **WELFARE AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES OFFICERS**

#### **SPONSORS REQUIRED – 15**

#### **SPONSOR ELIGIBILITY**

- **must be a fully registered student of the University of Glasgow**

#### **POSITIONS AVAILABLE - 9**

#### ***Positions***

- 1 x LGBTQ+ Officer*
- 1 x Race Equality Officer*
- 1 x Gender Equality Officer*
- 1 x Age Equality Officer*
- 1 x Disability Equality Officer*
- 1 x International Students Officer*
- 1 x Charities Officer*
- 1 x Environmental Officer*
- 1 x Mental Health Equality Officer*

#### **Job Descriptions**

There are nine Welfare and Equal Opportunities Officers elected to Council. It is the responsibility of Welfare and Equal Opportunities Officers to represent the concerns of all students that sometimes fall out with academic representation.

Each Officer handles a particular portfolio, and all matriculated students of the University are eligible to vote and stand for these positions. The nine Welfare and Equal Opportunities positions are listed below, with a brief description of their portfolio:

##### *LGBTQ+ Officer*

Represents student issues pertaining to sexual orientation. The LGBTQ+ Officer must liaise regularly with the VP Student Support.

##### *Race Equality Officer*

Represents student issues on race equality. The Race Equality Officer must liaise regularly with the VP Student Support and may be expected to attend relevant University committees.

##### *Gender Equality Officer*

Represents student gender issues on campus. The Gender Equality Officer must liaise regularly with the VP Student Support and University Gender Equality staff. They may also be expected to attend relevant University committees.

#### *Age Equality Officer*

The Age Equality Officer acts as a representative to all students on issues relating to Age Equality. They are expected to regularly liaise with the VP Student Support and representatives of Mature Student groups on Campus.

#### *Students with Disabilities Officer*

Represents all issues pertaining to students with disabilities, including accessibility and support. The Students with Disabilities Officer must liaise regularly with student groups and the VP Student Support and where appropriate the Mental Health Equality Officer.

#### *International Students Officer*

Represents students on a wide range of issues. The International Students Officer is expected to liaise regularly with the VP Student Support and various International groups across the University. They may also be required to liaise with the SRC Volunteering Coordinator.

#### *Charities Officer*

Liaise regularly with the VP Student Activities to help run and facilitate the organisation of events throughout the year with the RAG committee, particularly the annual RAG Week campaign, in addition to further supporting clubs and societies with their own fundraising initiatives.

#### *Environmental Officer*

The Environmental Officer works closely with the VP Student Support as well as representatives from the wider community outside of the University. They are tasked with facilitating student responses to environmental issues of local and national importance.

#### *Mental Health Equality Officer*

Promote and facilitate campaigns and events which are in line with the "See Me" pledge objectives of reducing stigma and discrimination of mental ill-health. Raise awareness of the support which is available on and off campus to students. The Mental Health Equality Officer must liaise regularly with the VP Student Support and where appropriate, the Disabilities Equality Officer.

In addition to these responsibilities, Welfare and Equal Opportunities Officers are expected to attend all meetings of Council. Opportunities will also arise for election to various University committees and positions.

### **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 and submitted the form by 12 noon on Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> February.
- 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.**
- Made sure all your sponsors are confirmed by 4pm on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February.
- Submitted an electronic photo to the elections email address by 4pm on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February.
- Submitted your manifesto (no more than 200 words) as an attachment to the elections email address by 4pm on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February.
- 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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