Autumn Elections 2023
Part-Time Officer Manifestos
Postgraduate Officer candidates

VOTE
MICHAEL CURTIS
FOR THE POSTGRADUATE OFFICER

WHY VOTE FOR ME?

I have experience of representing the PGR community in university management meetings.
- I have a career background in negotiation and engagement.
- I am user-friendly and approachable, whether you are a campus based or a distance learning student.

I am a self-funded mature student and must work very hard to pay for my fees and research, so I need to feel assured that Leicester is also giving me value for money.

WHY AM I STANDING?

I have decided to stand for this election as there is still work to do on the new SU PG strategy with regards to developing the role of the PG Officer so that it becomes more effective in dealing with your concerns and issues. There is little doubt that this going to be tough year for the PG community and there will be a lot at stake in getting our voices heard in the right forums. I believe that I am the right person to do this and represent our PG community.

HOW YOU CAN VOTE FOR ME

Voting is open from 10am on Wednesday 11th October to 3pm on Friday 13th October. You can register your vote by using this link: www.leicesterunion.com/vote
Heeyyyyyyy guyssss !

In my candidacy for the postgraduate officer role, I offer a vision fueled by dedication, empathy, and innovation. As a postgraduate officer, my commitment lies in empowering students through tailored support systems, fostering inclusivity, and championing their academic and personal growth.

My extensive academic background equips me with a deep understanding of the challenges faced by postgraduate students. I recognize the importance of mental health and well-being, and I am dedicated to enhancing campus resources to ensure every student receives the support they need. My empathetic approach enables me to listen to students' concerns actively, ensuring their voices are heard and valued.

Moreover, I am driven by innovation, aiming to introduce progressive initiatives that enhance the overall student experience. By implementing mentorship programs, organizing skill development workshops, and advocating for diverse cultural events, I plan to create a vibrant campus community that nurtures talent and celebrates diversity.

Your vote for me signifies a choice for positive change, inclusivity, and a student-centric approach. Together, we can transform our academic environment into a hub of inspiration, collaboration, and success. Vote for a future where every student thrives – vote for me as your postgraduate officer.

Dr Vaishnavi Chaudhari  
@drr_veeeceee  
Masters in Healthcare Management
Manifesto

Meet your future postgraduate officer

Greetings my fellow students, this manifesto will help you make a thoughtful judgement on the things that I can contribute to this post to actively contribute in helping every postgraduate student during their time at University. I believe that this role will help me contribute to betterment of educational life of postgraduate students here at Leicester. I am in my first year of postgraduate(taught) course in Actuarial science.

What I bring to the table

Academic

- Developing a support centre for academic difficulties faced by students
- Taking constructive feedback and ensuring it reaches the designated authority
- Ensuring academic support is provided to the students facing difficulties in following lectures

Well being

- Holding regular sessions to receive feedback on problems faced by postgraduate students outside of academic sphere
- Foster inclusivity, networking and communication through open forums

Outreach

- Connecting postgraduate students to the required resources
- Increase career opportunities for postgraduate students
- Create a link between new postgraduate students and graduating post graduates whilst fostering connections between the postgraduate students in different departments

Social

- Bring the postgraduate student community closer through networking events
- Hosting group study sessions and quizzes
- Holding seminars by alumnus of the university

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Accessibility Officer candidates

Running for Accessibility Officer
Siân Worton

- **Raise awareness** for the spectrum of disabilities students have and combat discrimination head-on.
- **Become a beacon** of support in various disability-related areas.
- **Create forums** for students to provide feedback as well as improving pre-existing support.
- **Represent students** with accessibility needs in whichever ways they may require.
- **Increase campus accessibility**
  - Work with neurodiverse students to help facilitate a safe space that is accommodating to them.
  - Create and provide supportive resources specific to a student’s accessibility needs to remove barriers faced in higher education.

As a physically **disabled student** who has specific learning difficulties and mental health issues, it is incredibly important to me that **students are suitably accommodated for in higher education**.

I know first-hand the numerous barriers there are at university and hope to remove as many as possible for students with disabilities - who make up roughly **11% of our student body**!

Let’s make learning accessible!!

Email me! @sw634

VOTE 11th-13th!!
The following additional candidate is running for this position:

Faris Abbas Khan
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Greetings, the University of Leicester

My name is James Chick, 18, currently in the process of studying Politics and International Relations, having been to parliament 3 times before to meet and lobby my MP. A little bit about me, I’m a chronic rail enthusiast, you can catch me at Leicester Station or Welford Road Bridge on most days (and by all means say hi if you do!), I’m a keen singer and I am currently learning many different songs on the piano. In fact, some may know me for playing the piano and singing along at the Village Hub and occasionally the SU Square. I am a Formula One fan, and I speak four languages. But enough about me...

I only moved to Leicester on the 23rd September, but I know the danger that faces the future we are all working so incredibly hard for. I learned about the climate crisis when I was thirteen, in Year Eight Chemistry. It was only a matter of time until I devolved into fear, anguish and dread, as many are no doubt experiencing whenever poking their head over the trench of our lives to look over the no man’s land of uncharted, existential territory. I am all too familiar with this anxiety, and I can sympathise with everyone who experiences this. I can’t count how many months I have felt complicit in what may well be to come, while also feeling too insignificant to do anything meaningful. That, however, is about to change.

Gone are the days where one cannot participate in securing the collective future while studying for one’s own. So long to the times where one asks themselves ‘what’s the point?’. With me as your sustainability officer, I will see to it that enrolment in the university of the wonderful city of Leicester will carry sustainable and environmental meaning in itself. Under my jurastiction as an officer, nobody shall be left waiting on the platform as the last train to a sustainable future departs. With me by your side there will be a squarely united front against the dreaded feeling of what awaits us, there will be unity, support, compassion and resilience among us, the minds that are to shape society to come.

A highly attractive proposition to me has always been the notion and realisation of student-led change, and this we can accomplish as a cohort, as one Leicester. My promises are to:

- Campaign for further vegan options in on-site food outlet
- Pursue my S.E.E.D Project for more services to serve Leicester station, opening up more opportunities to travel home by train, the sustainable travel option
- Respond to any environmental concerns one may have around campus
- Try to introduce a climate helpline, for climate anxiety and action
- Organise coordinated UoL climate action with external groups such as JSO and Oxfam

Yours truly,

-James Chick
"EMPOWERING OUR CAMPUS FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE!"

VOTE

JOSHUA-TYRONNE

★★★★

FOR SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER

As a first-year journalism student, I bring fresh perspectives and a strong commitment to making a positive impact on our campus and community. I firmly believe that sustainability is not just a buzzword but a way of life that we must embrace wholeheartedly. Together, we can create a greener, more sustainable future.

I pledge to maintain transparency in my role as sustainability officer. I will regularly update the student body on our progress and seek feedback to ensure that our efforts align with their needs and expectations. Together, we can hold ourselves accountable for creating a more sustainable future.

By electing me as your sustainability officer, you are choosing a dedicated advocate for environmental responsibility. Let us come together to drive meaningful change, prioritize sustainability, and leave a lasting legacy for future generations. Together, we can make the University of Leicester a shining example of sustainability in action.
If you believe none of the candidates are good enough to be Sustainability Officer, vote for **Re-Open Nominations (R.O.N)**.

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MATURE AND PART-TIME STUDENTS’ OFFICER ROLE

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Vote for:
Inclusivity and Diversity
Student Well-being and Mental Health
Academic Support
Community Engagement
Communication and Transparency

I’m dedicated to amplifying the voices and addressing the specific needs of all students, fostering a more inclusive and supportive academic community for all. Together, we can enhance the university experience for every student, regardless of their schedule.

Vote for
Madhavi Thanniru

You can vote via link below:

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Focusing the Needs and Challenges faced by both Mature and Part-time students within the University Community and resolving them.

Advocating the course offerings and support services according to the needs of part-time students.

Ensuring your unique needs will be taken into consideration within the University.

Being Supportive to mature and part-time students out there who is seeking for assistance or guidance.

Raising the Voice in decision making process within the university Community.

Representing both the interests and issues of Mature and Part-time students to the University administration and Student Union.
The following candidates are running for this position:

Akshatha Mandadi
Lokesh Pudi
If you believe none of the candidates are good enough to be Mature and Part-Time Students’ Officer, vote for **Re-Open Nominations (R.O.N)**. If **R.O.N.** is elected the election will be rerun allowing other students to bring forward their idea.
LGBT+ Officer

VOTE MATTIE

E-MAIL: mcss2@student.le.ac.uk

IF ELECTED, I WILL COMMIT MYSELF TO:

**PROMOTE:**
I will push for reforms that better support LGBT+ students & staff on campus. By collaborating with student groups, planning events, and organizing campaigns (including advocating for gender-neutral facilities), we will continue to be citizens of change.

**REPRESENT:**
I promise to represent the needs and opinions of all LGBT+ students at the University of Leicester. I will coordinate with the students’ union and the university to champion your rights and views, ensuring that their equal opportunities policies are both upheld and at a high standard.

**INCLUDE:**
I pledge to foster an environment of inclusivity and belonging within our university. We are a diverse community, with different genders, sexual orientations, and identities. I will work tirelessly to ensure that every member feels seen, heard, and valued. By organizing events, workshops, and safe spaces, we will celebrate our diversity and stand united as a powerful, inclusive community.

**DEFEND:**
Discrimination & harassment continue to affect members of our community. I will be a staunch advocate for your rights, providing support & resources to those who face discrimination. We will work with university & student union staff to ensure that everyone can live and study without fear of prejudice or harm.

**EDUCATE:**
I will organize educational programs, awareness campaigns, and workshops aimed at dispelling myths and stereotypes. Through education, we will promote understanding, empathy, and acceptance, both within our university and beyond.

FOR LGBT+ OFFICER

VOTE HERE: 11/10/23
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VOTING

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