

# MANIFESTO BOOKLET





# Trans and Non-binary officer



My name is Ashton Mallard (Ash), and my pronouns are he/they. I am the current trans and non-binary officer and love this role. Since being elected in November 2021 I have created a detailed wellbeing resource that signposts to many types of support; had more pronoun pin badges ordered including new styles such as he/they, she/they, ask me my pronouns and neo pronouns as well as helping shape Nics LGBT+ training for societies and sports clubs and raising concerns from trans and non-binary students to the relevant staff. I have a lot more planned and hope I can help increase inclusion for trans and non-binary students.

## My ideas:

- Ensure the training for all staff (especially lecturers) and societies is to an acceptable level to prevent discrimination and promote inclusion and a friendly and safe environment at Leicester.
- Create resources for students to use to educate themselves on trans and non-binary identities with specific training for international students.
- Create financial support for purchasing gender affirming items such as binders.
- Create resources that list local trans and non-binary friendly services, such as barbers.



# Vote Ashton!





## **TRUSHTI SHAH**

### **MATURE AND PART-TIME OFFICER**

I am studying MSc-International Management

I want to become a part-time officer, I admire how dedicatedly they work for students, I appreciate how dedicatedly students have completed their education with all the difficulties and expenses they bear so would like to change that with some ideas I have for students.

#### **My Pledges**

If elected as your representative I promise that I will endeavour to ensure the following pledges are delivered during my time of office:

#### **Greater Diversification and Participation**

I will actively seek greater inclusion and participation of Part-Time and Mature students in all aspects of academic and social student life, by working to ensure that activities such as social events are inclusive of Part-Time and Mature Students and their Interests. Additionally, I would champion the formation of a Part-Time and Mature Students Society, to provide further voice and support, as well as a social network and community for Part-Time and Mature Students.

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I will work with all academic departments and support functions, such as Finance, Careers, and the SU to deliver clearer communication tailored to mature and part-time students. Additionally, I will also hold regular open meetings to find out what issues you have, to provide greater representation of your concerns. In addition, I will champion your ideas for developing the Part-Time and Mature Student

#### **Prosperity and Success For All Students**

I will campaign for the welfare and wellbeing of all students, to maximize academic potential and success, with a particular focus on the support of Part-Time and Mature Students. In addition, I will represent the wealth of talent, experience, and knowledge that the part-time and mature student body represents, by championing greater knowledge sharing and mentoring between students.

These are a few of my initiatives, for any further queries you can mail me [tk13@student.le.ac.uk](mailto:tk13@student.le.ac.uk)

# MOHAMMED ISHAQ

FOR MATURE STUDENT OFFICER

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**Vote for me to be your next Mature Students Officer and I will make sure that YOUR views are heard! If you're you a mature student or if you will be a mature student by the time, you finish studying (21 years old+) make your vote count in this election!**

My name is Mohammed Ishaq I am a mature student, currently studying MSc. International Management at University of Leicester. I am running for the position of Mature Students Officer because I am passionate about improving the quality of student life for all of the mature student's studying at our wonderful university.

As a mature student, I have an understanding of the unique challenges that 'older' students face once they have made the courageous decision to start, return or continue with university study, however, I am confident that those challenges can be overcome if the University has suitable (age appropriate) support networks in place. If I am elected, I intend to dedicate myself to making substantial improvements to the resources and opportunities that the university currently provides to their mature student population

**I intend to provide a range of social events, activities, forums and groups exclusively for mature students.** These social events and activities will provide all of the mature students at Greenwich with an opportunity to socialize regularly, build support networks and to make lifelong friendships with other students of a similar age.

**I intend to provide regular drop-in sessions for mature students and to create an advice and support forum.** The drop-in sessions and the forum will point mature students in the direction of a wide range.

## **WHY ME?**

I'm an Indian citizen resident in the UK, and I'm a mature student. I had to make difficult decisions and prioritize other areas of my life, however I never gave up on my goal of attending university. I feel that there are many others like me at SOS, and I believe that Mature Students have a lot to offer university life and I want to enable others to have their voices heard.

**Vote for me (Mohammed Ishaq #1) to be your next Mature Students**

# TRISHA SPENCER

for

## MATURE AND PART TIME OFFICER

### AIMS

- Dedicated and tailored support system, that recognises additional barriers.
- Workshops to assist with integration and overcoming age difference barriers
- Creation of both a mature and part time student forums, to ensure needs are heard and people can meet

### WHY AM I RUNNING?

Being a Mature student I understand some of the barriers faced. I have experience in working in the student union at Leicester college and the skills to advocate for your needs. I am running because I want to make sure that both mature and part time students are heard and represented. But most of all I want to support you in achieving your goals here at the university and to make sure you are heard.

### EXPERIENCES

*Leading mindfulness and empowerment workshops*

*Motivational talks*

*Leading a residential team*

*LGBT Officer. SU president, Mature student Officer.*

*Participating in SU meetings throughout the year including lockdown*

### SKILLS

*Decision making*

*Leadership*

*Mentoring*

*Public speaking*

*Listening*

*Conflict resolution*





# Vote for Rohan Ananthula

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# Vote Niyamath Uddin Shaik

## About me:

I am currently a 1st Year student of Advanced Mechanical Engineering with Industry Msc. I completed my Bachelor's from Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University, India during which I was elected as Campus Ambassador, Placement Coordinator and Student representative. Apart from that, I was a part of Hitachi group company "GlobalLogic" for two years who has been working with Google Company.

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As I have mentioned before, prior to re-entering studies, I worked in IT Industry for over 1.8 years in various Technical, Team leading, training and Management roles, which has given me skills required to communicate well, negotiate, engage, as well as drive policy changes whilst working with multiple situations.

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*Vote and make a difference*



## ***Jade for LGBT+ Officer!***

My name is Jade Rowe (she/they), and I am a 2<sup>nd</sup> year Law and Criminology student. I am also the current LGBT+ Officer. I would like to continue to actively challenge some hardships that LGBT+ students face in what is still very much a heteronormative society. I shall do this by continuing previous campaigns and establishing new ones alongside these.

### **1) Continuation of Gender-Neutral toilets campaign**

During my previous year as LGBT+ Officer, I advocated that awareness should be brought to the Gender-Neutral Toilets. Due to circumstances outside of my control, I had many barriers that caused this campaign to take longer than thought. I shall continue to work on this campaign to gain the best outcomes without rushing it.

### **Other Aims:**

- ❖ LGBT+ friendly sexual health awareness

### **2) Transforming LGBT+ Safe Places**

With the 6<sup>th</sup> Floor of Charles Wilson being a LGBT+ safe place, I am aware that the room is rather small and often gets cramped up very quickly. I would love to work with the SU and LGBT+ Society to try and make the space more comfortable for larger groups

### **For any queries feel free to contact me:**

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Hello, I'm Adam, I'm standing for part-time accessibility student officer, and I believe university should be open and accessible to all. As a student with an invisible condition, Cystic Fibrosis, I fully understand the frustrations and debilitating affects a disability has. As such, I believe I would excel in this role and be a voice for disabled students.

Focus points:

- I will raise awareness of invisible disabilities by putting together a disability awareness campaign, including awareness lessons to be part of all university degrees
- I will continue the work of improving services and accessibility for disabled students by liaising with the student union executives and disabled students
- I will campaign to make access to information and services as easy and simple as possible, both online and in-person
- I will campaign to make mental health support and information widely available and even easier to access for all
- I will be available for students, disabled or not, to discuss any problems or ideas they may have

This role will give me the opportunity to put my life experiences and skills to use, helping to improve the lives of disabled students and non-disabled students at University of Leicester.

VOTE FOR ME



I'm

## Sai Geethanjali

(M.Sc. International Management) at University of Leicester.

I am running for the position of International Students' Officer. As an international student myself, I have observed the avenues that the university has created and thus I want to carry forward and initiate more programmes started by the current and previous officers.

I believe my experience, as an events organizer and volunteer, has helped me develop leadership and intercultural skills that will enhance my ability to establish a sense of community and alliance among international students.

### WHY CHOOSE ME?

- 1 Create more awareness on the rights in various of aspects of International student life and ensure equal opportunities are provided.
- 2 Promote the events hosted by the international societies by being the collective voice thereby ensuring equal involvement and experience.
- 3 Ensure that the international student voice is heard and the issues and difficulties that the students face are addressed.
- 4 More Opportunities being provided to the international students at the Freshers fair to ensure more involvement of the students at university.
- 5 Create better network among all international students in campus with exclusive events.
- 6 For overseas students, job-related lectures and a career expo will be conducted.



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