

# Manifesto Booklet

## Education Officer Candidates

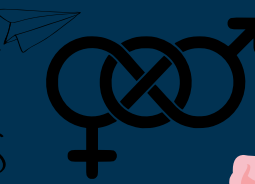
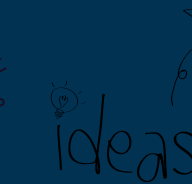


# YOUR NEXT EDUCATION OFFICER



**YOUR**  
*Vote*  
**COUNTS**

**YOUR VOTE**  
**MATTERS**



*Student Voices Matter - Let's Make Them Heard*

# YAHIYA KASERI

My vision for the university is to create a supportive environment where every student can achieve their academic goals regardless of their background. I believe in promoting mental health education, access to education for all, and increasing opportunities for student involvement in decision-making processes.



I am an international LLM student and also serving as a course representative. I am keenly interested about educational policy, which has motivated me to pursue reforms that will help every student achieve their academic goals. I have taken up a few roles on the campus as the course representative, Leicester sports activator. My top priority is to be the voice of the students and advocate for necessary changes that will benefit all of us. I firmly believe that education policy plays a crucial role in the success of students, and I am committed to making a positive impact in this area. Together, let's work towards a better educational experience for all of us!

*Education  
officer*

## MY MANIFESTO

**Diversity and Inclusion:** I will promote diversity and inclusion in all aspects of university life. I will work with student organizations and university administration to create a welcoming and inclusive environment for all students, regardless of their gender, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, religion, or cultural background.

**Student Engagement:** I will strive to create opportunities for students to engage actively in their learning. I will advocate for the inclusion of experiential learning opportunities, such as internships, co-op programs, and community service projects. I will work with faculty and administration to create a culture of collaboration and student-centered learning.

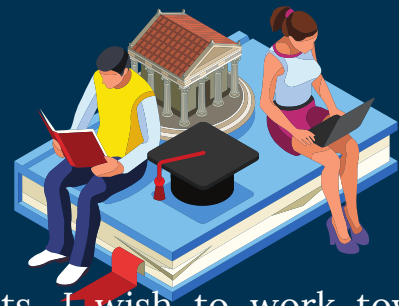
**Mental Health and Well-being:** I will advocate for the prioritization of student mental health and well-being. I will work with the university to provide access to mental health resources, such as counseling services, workshops, and support groups. I will also work with faculty to implement mental health resources into the curriculum and create an environment that reduces stress and promotes positive mental health.

*Monthly catchups  
Career events guidance*

*Mental health workshops  
Academic help workshops*

*Skill development  
Social events*

# MY CAMPAIGN IDEAS



## *Access to all*

Focused on equal access to education for all students, I wish to work towards improving & promoting our inclusive university environment, "Access for All" is an essential campaign idea for an Education Officer as it focuses on promoting equal access to education for all students, regardless of their socio-economic background.

- Accessibility accommodations - Ensure that the university is accessible to students with disabilities by advocating for necessary accommodations such as wheelchair ramps, elevators, and audio-visual aids.
- Digital access - Ensure that all students have access to digital learning resources by advocating for the provision of laptops, tablets, and Wi-Fi hotspots for students who cannot afford them.
- Awareness campaigns - Create awareness campaigns to educate students on the financial resources available to them and encourage them to apply for financial aid and scholarships.

## Mental Health Education

An essential aspect of a student's overall well-being and success in college or university. Many students face significant stressors such as academic pressure, financial strain, and social isolation, which can negatively impact their mental health

- Awareness campaigns : I plan to organise awareness campaigns to educate students on mental health topics such as stress management, self-care, and identifying mental health issues.
- Support groups : I plan to facilitate mental health support groups or peer support programs to provide a safe space for students to share their experiences and receive support
- Workshop & Training Sessions: To provide workshops and training sessions to equip students with essential coping skills and stress management techniques.





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## VOTE LEWIS FOR EDUCATION OFFICER



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PASTORAL  
SUPPORT

REVAMP  
FACILITIES

ENHANCE  
TEACHING

IMPROVE  
REPRESENTATION



### MY EXPERIENCE...

LEICESTER STUDENTS UNION STUDENT TRUSTEE 22/23, HELPING GUIDE THE STRATEGIC DIRECTION OF THE UNION

NATIONAL DIRECTOR SEXPRESSION:UK 22/23, RUNNING A NATIONAL CHARITY DELIVERING RELATIONSHIPS AND SEXUAL HEALTH EDUCATION ACROSS THE UK

LOBBIED THE SU/UNI FOR FREE CONDOMS ON CAMPUS

5 YEARS EXPERIENCE AT UOL

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## IMPROVE REPRESENTATION

WORK TO HAVE WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS FREE FOR ALL STUDENTS TO ENJOY SPORTS, ACTIVITIES OR A REST

BUILD A BETTER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN POSTGRADUATE AND DISTANCE LEARNING STUDENTS AND THE SU

CONNECT WITH ACADEMIC REPS TO IDENTIFY KEY AREAS THAT REQUIRE ACTION ACROSS THE BOARD, ESTABLISH HOW TO MAKE THESE ROLES MORE ATTRACTIVE TO INCREASE INVOLVEMENT

IMPROVE UNDERSTANDING OF THE SUPERSTAR AWARD, EXPANDING IT TO RECOGNISE MORE STAFF

WORK ALONGSIDE THE LIBERATION OFFICER AND UNIVERSITY TO ENSURE DECOLONISING THE CURRICULUM CONTINUES TO MAKE PROGRESS

IMPROVE THE MANDATORY CONSENT TRAINING PROVIDED TO A PROFESSIONAL YET ACCESSIBLE STANDARD FOR ALL STUDENTS, PRODUCED BY EXPERTS IN THEIR FIELD

## ENHANCE TEACHING

CONTENT WARNING GUIDANCE TO CONTINUE TO BE USED BUT ALSO IMPROVED WITH FEEDBACK FROM THE PAST YEAR

WORK WITH THE UNIVERSITY TO REVIEW DISPARITIES IN ATTAINMENT AND SATISFACTION FOR STUDENTS WHO IDENTIFY AS PART OF A LIBERATION GROUPS AND/OR LOWER SOCIO-ECONOMIC BACKGROUNDS - AIMING TO CREATE TANGIBLE STEPS TO REDUCE THE GAP IN ATTAINMENT AND SATISFACTION ACROSS ALL COURSES

HIDDEN COST BURSARY TO RETURN

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LOBBY FOR BURSARIES AND AWARDS TO SUPPORT A WIDER RANGE OF STUDENTS

HELPING CONNECT ACADEMIC SOCIETIES TO THE STUDENTS THEY REPRESENT OR AIM TO REACH OUT TO

ENSURE LAPTOPS AVAILABLE ON FLEXIBLE LOAN FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE WITHOUT ONE FOR ANY REASON

**PASTORAL SUPPORT**

DESTRESS EVENTS FOR EXAMS SEASONS

ENSURING TIMELY ACCESS TO MEETINGS WITH PERSONAL TUTORS AT KEY STAGES ACROSS THE YEAR

MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES - CONTINUE NO EVIDENCE POLICY AND REVIEW PROCESS AND CRITERIA

**REVAMP FACILITIES**

INCREASE ACCESS TO MORE STUDY SPACES, INCLUDING THOSE THAT CAN BE BOOKED FOR GROUP WORK

WORK TO MAKE THE ACCESS ABILITY SERVICE MORE EFFICIENT, ENSURING ACCESS AT THE RIGHT TIME

MORE SOCIAL REST SPACE IN THE LIBRARY

ENSURE ACCESS TO CAMPUS IS ACCESSIBLE FOR ALL

**MOST IMPORTANTLY...**

**WHAT MATTERS TO YOU?**

I WOULD AIM TO KEEP SLOTS AVAILABLE TO DISCUSS KEY CONCERNS WITH STUDENTS REGARDING EDUCATION TO SUPPORT YOU AS BEST AS I CAN!

**VOTE LEWIS FOR EDUCATION OFFICER TO IMPROVE YOUR LEARNING ENVIRONMENT AND EXPERIENCE!**



# HELLO FELLOW STUDENTS !!

My name is *Prachi Bhatt*, and I'm excited to be running for *Education Officer* at our university. I'm here to bring *fresh ideas, new energy, and some much-needed excitement* to our educational experience.

As a *masters student in cloud computing*, I have a passion for technology and innovative learning methods. I want to use my skills and knowledge to make education more awesome for all of us.

" If you want to make education a catch,  
Just vote for Prachi - she's the perfect match! "

So, what's my vision for enhancing education at our university? It's pretty simple, really. I want to make education more engaging, more empowering, and more fun! *Read on to find out.*

# Here's what that means:



- **Student-Faculty Partnerships:** I propose creating partnerships between students and faculty to give us **a voice in how we are taught**. By working together, we can create a learning environment that is **tailored to our needs, interests, and goals**.
- **Study Buddy Matching:** Studying can be a lonely and isolating experience, but it doesn't have to be. I propose creating a Study Buddy Matching program that will **connect students with similar academic interests and goals**. Together, we can form **study groups, share notes and resources, and support each other through the ups and downs of academic life**.
- **Healthy Mind, Healthy Body:** Our education is important, but so is our physical and mental health. I propose creating a **Health and Wellness program** that will offer resources and support to help us maintain a healthy lifestyle. From gym memberships to mental health counselling, let's make sure that our university is a place where we can thrive in all aspects of our lives.



- **Let's Get Creative:** Education doesn't have to be boring or monotonous. I propose **incorporating more creative and artistic elements into our classes** to make learning more fun and engaging. From music and art to drama and writing, let's explore new ways to express ourselves and learn in the process.
- **“Bring Your Pet to Class” day:** I know that many of us are animal lovers, and **studies have shown that spending time with animals can reduce stress and increase happiness.** So, let's have **a day where you can bring your furry (or scaly) friend to class!** I'll work with the university administration to make sure it's safe and fun for everyone.

So, that's my manifesto in a nutshell. I believe that education should be about more than just memorising facts and taking tests.

**If ELECTED, I promise to work tirelessly to implement these proposals and ensure that our university is a place where we can grow, learn, and thrive.**

*Thank you for your consideration and support. Let's make this happen!*

**P.S. If you have any ideas or suggestions, feel free to reach out to me. I'm here to represent you and make sure your education is everything you want it to be.**

**~ Prachi BHATT**





# Nina Walker (she/her) For Education Officer

MA Modern and Contemporary  
Literature student

I want to...

Dismantle the barriers  
stopping you accessing  
the resources  
you're entitled to.

Read through all the  
long technical texts,  
so you don't have to.

Make it easier for you to  
voice concerns about  
your education.



Feel seen,  
vote for Neen!



Visit my Linktree for  
more information!



# Communication

My biggest goal as Education Officer would be to offer a friendly face for you to come to. Recent strikes have proved that we need more open discussion between students and academics, which I want to encourage. I want to create a person-based attitude to education.

## Practically I will endorse:

- More student feedback groups
- More face-to-face conversations between students and academics, beyond the Course Rep system
- More conversations about strikes



# Wellbeing

You aren't just a student, you're also a person with a life outside the university. As Education Officer I will push for policies that consider your life off campus. Adjusting and assessing current mitigating circumstances protocol.

## Practically I will endorse:

- Continuing distress week
- A re-assessment of the mitigating circumstances protocol
- Discussing with students what can be done to make university life easier during periods of stress



# Decolonisation

To create a more inclusive education we must:

1. Recognise that university teaching is centred mostly around white voices.

2. Highlight and strengthen previously hidden BAME voices.

This 2nd step is unfortunately often ignored. It simply isn't enough to acknowledge the whiteness of our syllabus and shrug apologetically.

## Practically I will endorse:

- Platforming more nonwhite voices across all schools
- Collaborating with the Liberation Officer in further action

## Some Extra Concerns:

- Offering extra resources for personal development.
- A focus on mature students and new postgraduate students.
- A report on the way the School of Arts is being treated and funded.
  - More notice about deadline schedules.
  - Considering strike impacts.
- Demystifying the language used to communicate changes.

