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Areeba Fatima

Hi, I'm Areeba! and I study Biological Sciences (Neuroscience) and I am passionate about promoting an inclusive environment where everyone has the equal opportunity to thrive.

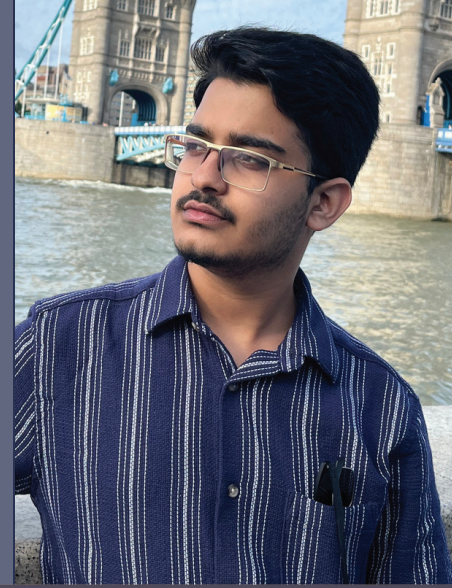
My aim is to create a campus that actively addresses systemic challenges and empowers all students, regardless of their ethnic backgrounds, to succeed.

Key Goals:

- To represent ethnic minority students and encourage them to engage with the union
- Address any racial bias that students may face in assessments and admission processes
- Organise events aimed at cultural awareness and diversity to engage students and celebrate different cultures within our university
- Develop support groups that provide academic and mental support



"Unity in Diversity:
Together, We Thrive!"



I am here to listen, learn, and act on behalf of our vibrant, diverse student body.



Baruch Patrick Paul
For **Ethnic Equity Officer**

About Me

My name is Baruch Patrick Paul, and my pronouns are He/Him. I am a 2nd-year Law undergraduate student at the University of Leicester, and I am running for the part-time position of Ethnic Equity Officer. Being a member of an ethnic minority myself, I understand firsthand the challenges faced by students from diverse backgrounds. My aim is to bridge the gap between the Students' Union and the students it serves. The Union should not just be an organization, but the driving force that represents and uplifts the voices of every student on campus.

Why I'm Running

As Ethnic Equity Officer, I will ensure that all students, regardless of their ethnic background, feel a true sense of belonging at our university. I want to foster a community that is inclusive, supportive, and representative of all cultures. My goal is to create opportunities for students from ethnic minorities to thrive, whether through academic support, mental health resources, or events that celebrate our diversity. I believe we can create lasting change by focusing on equity, cultural awareness, and the representation of all ethnic groups in decision-making processes.

Key Objectives

- **Equity & Success:** Eliminate academic disparities among ethnic minority students by collaborating with faculty and support services to ensure equal opportunities for all.
- **Cultural Awareness & Inclusion:** Promote understanding and appreciation of diverse cultures through events, workshops, and a more inclusive curriculum.
- **Mental Health & Well-being:** Advocate for culturally sensitive mental health support and peer networks to address challenges faced by ethnic minority students.
- **Representation & Advocacy:** Amplify the voices of ethnic minority students in decision-making and push for policies that reflect the needs of our diverse community.
- **Community Building:** Strengthen connections between ethnic minority students and local communities through volunteer work and events that celebrate diversity.

Why Vote for Me?

You should vote for me because I am passionate about making the University of Leicester a place where every student feels represented, supported, and valued. I will work tirelessly to address the specific needs of ethnic minority students and ensure that the university provides a welcoming, equitable environment for all.



How to Vote

To vote, please visit the University of Leicester Students' Union website. Log in using your student credentials, self-identify as part of an ethnic group, and cast your vote for Baruch Patrick Paul as Ethnic Equity Officer.

OLIVIA PHOENIX

(MOST PEOPLE CALL ME LIV!)

WHY ME?



- I am experienced and passionate about advocating for all individuals and challenging discrimination
- I want to listen and amplify voices of ethnic students to influence university policies and events that reflect their needs and experiences
- I am willing to engage in difficult conversations that are necessary for positive change
- I am committed to promoting fairness and inclusion

WHO AM I?

- 3rd year Sociology with Criminology student
- Of Caribbean descent 🇧🇧 🇯🇲
 - From London
 - Leicester Student Ambassador

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MY AIMS AND GOALS

- My 3 main aims would be to:
- Organise events and initiatives that celebrate cultural diversity whilst educating others
 - Ensuring that resources and support systems are put in place for all students especially those from underrepresented backgrounds
 - Create regular platforms and spaces for ethnic students to share experiences and concerns

LGBTQ+ OFFICER



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Alex Burt

For LGBT+ Officer

My name is Alex Burt, my pronouns are they/them and I am standing to be your SU LGBT+ Officer. At a time where it feels like the world is against us, it's more important than ever that we have experienced, radical voices fighting not just for an end to discrimination, but for a truly liberationist and queer-friendly Students Union

My policies

- A map of 'Queer Leicester' covering LGBT+ friendly spaces, from clubs to hairdressers
- Better signposting to existing support networks for LGBT+ students, and more specialised support for queer students
- Campaign for a more inclusive and queer-friendly University environment

- Ensure representation of the queer community in all it's diversity - ethnicity, disability, identity et al
- Host regular events celebrating LGBT+ history, struggle and liberation
- Support education and harm reduction, covering safe sex, substance usage and more

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MATURE AND PART-TIME OFFICER



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Let's make a difference
together!



VOTE

Akshi Gehlot

WOMENLEADER

To all my fellow students,

UNIVERSITY LIFE IS MORE THAN JUST LECTURES AND DEADLINES – IT'S ABOUT YOU, THE STUDENTS WHO BRING LEICESTER TO LIFE. I'M RUNNING TO BE YOUR PART-TIME OFFICER BECAUSE I BELIEVE IN CREATING AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE EVERY VOICE IS HEARD, AND EVERY NEED IS MET. TOGETHER, WE CAN ENSURE THAT STUDENT LIFE BECOMES MORE ENGAGING, INCLUSIVE, AND ENJOYABLE FOR EVERYONE.

WHY VOTE FOR ME?

- 👉 **REAL STUDENT REPRESENTATION:** I'M COMMITTED TO REPRESENTING YOUR VOICE. WHETHER IT'S PUSHING FOR BETTER MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES OR ORGANIZING EVENTS YOU ACTUALLY WANT TO ATTEND, I'M HERE TO MAKE STUDENT LIFE BETTER FOR EVERYONE.
- 👉 **INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY:** LEICESTER IS DIVERSE, AND EVERY STUDENT SHOULD FEEL INCLUDED. I WILL WORK TO ENSURE THAT EVERYONE, NO MATTER THEIR BACKGROUND, HAS A PLATFORM AND SUPPORT.
- 👉 **TRANSPARENT COMMUNICATION:** I PROMISE TO KEEP YOU INFORMED AND INVOLVED, MAKING SURE THE UNION LISTENS TO WHAT YOU WANT.

HOW TO VOTE?

IT'S EASY – VISIT [LEICESTERUNION.COM/VOTE](https://leicesterunion.com/vote) AND CHOOSE AKSHI, YOUR DEDICATED STUDENT OFFICER, READY TO BRING THE CHANGE YOU NEED!

#YOURVOICEMATTERS #VOTEFORCHANGE #WEARELEICESTER #MORE EVENTS, MORE FUN

POSTGRADUATE OFFICER



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BE THE REAL CHANGE

VOTE FOR MAAS

Vision Statement

Be the REAL CHANGE by fostering inclusivity, academic flexibility, and student well-being. Together, we will create a vibrant and supportive postgraduate community where every voice is heard, and every student thrives.

YOUR VOICE IS IMPORTANT TO BE HEARD

Special email and phonenumber for easy access to me.

GO MAKE YOUR CAREER!

Support for mitigating attendance for career or study-related events.

YOUR COMFORT AND WELLBEING IS TOP PRIORITY

Low-cost meal options for busy students. Campaign for bidets in every toilet for better hygiene.

BIRDS OF A FEATHER FLOCK TOGETHER

SHOW THEM WHAT YOU GOT: Exclusive POSTGRAD sports league for relaxation and fun(SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE).

WE ARE POLYGLOTS: Free language exchange sessions and collaborative hackathons.

LEARN MORE FUN MORE: Fun, scientific-themed quizzes and study events in the library.

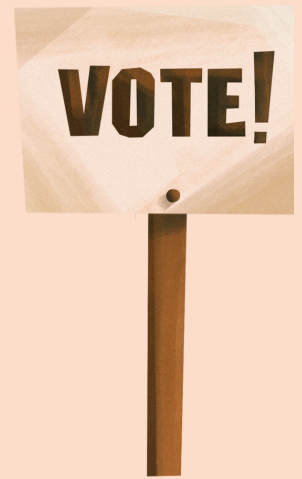




VASUNDHARA KANAGARAJ

Who am I?

As a driven and passionate first-year postgraduate student, I, Vasundhara Kanagaraj, bring a fresh perspective and unwavering dedication to the role of Postgraduate Officer. With a strong academic background and diverse professional experience, I've developed a nuanced understanding of our community's needs. I'm not just a candidate; I'm a fellow student, a listener, and a champion for positive change.



My Biggest Priority

- Establish regular town halls, surveys, and an open-door policy to ensure PG students' voices are heard, concerns addressed, and feedback implemented.
- Listen attentively to your concerns.
- Enhance academic, social, and career opportunities.
- Foster inclusivity, diversity, and accessibility.
- Enhanced mental health support.
- Stronger PG community.

Vote for me, and I'll ensure your concerns are heard and addressed. Together, let's shape a vibrant PG experience."

#GraduateVoice

WOMEN'S OFFICER



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VOTE FOR YOUR WOMEN'S OFFICER

ABOUT ME:

MY NAME IS SUMAYYAH AL-EDROOS AND I AM HONOURED TO BE RUNNING FOR THE PART TIME WOMENS OFFICER POSITION IN THE UPCOMING ELECTION



WHY YOU SHOULD VOTE FOR ME?

I'M PASSIONATE ABOUT MAKING UNIVERSITY A MORE INCLUSIVE AND EMPOWERING SPACE FOR ALL WOMEN. I WANT TO ENSURE THAT YOUR VOICES ARE HEARD AND REPRESENTED ACROSS ALL LEVELS OF DECISION-MAKING AT OUR UNIVERSITY.

MY FOCUS WOULD BE ON:

- **ADVOCACY:** ENSURING THAT ISSUES AFFECTING WOMEN, FROM MENTAL HEALTH TO CAREER PROGRESSION, ARE ADDRESSED WITH ACTIONABLE SOLUTIONS.
 - **COMMUNITY:** BUILDING A SUPPORTIVE, SAFE, AND INCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENT REGARDLESS OF BACKGROUND OR IDENTITY.
 - **Awareness:** Raising awareness about key issues
- MY COMMITMENT AND DEDICATION TO MAKING A REAL IMPACT WILL MAKE ME THE RIGHT CHOICE TO REPRESENT YOU.

HOW TO VOTE

[LEICESTERUNION.COM/VOTE](https://leicesterunion.com/vote)

ACCESSIBILITY OFFICER




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Aneesah Dhilllo

Accessibility Officer




I am a third year medical physiology student that suffers from chronic migraines and generalised anxiety disorder.



What I want to achieve:

- Better awareness of hidden disabilities.
- Improved sign posting of resources for students with disabilities.
- Evaluation of university website and systems to assess their accessibility.
- Implementing 'quiet times' in key university facilities to avoid sensory overload.
- Creating a forum for students with disabilities where we can discuss your needs and ways to implement these.



If you have any questions or concerns email me at: ad550@student.le.ac.uk



FULL LIST OF CANDIDATES

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