

SU President

Projects/Activities

The below are agreed projects and activities.

A Stronger Community within University					
Ref:	I will:	I will have achieved this when:	What I have done so far:	Strategy	%
A1	<p>Improve Representation of Liberation groups</p> <p>Evidence demonstrates certain groups are still disadvantaged in higher education. I want to ensure they have a strong voice and can improve their experience.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100+ of students sign up for different communities • Liberation Officers and me organise 5 networking events for liberation groups through CitySucceeds campaign • Disabled student officer is successfully elected during October • To attract more students for the community events • To arrange a monthly meetings with Postgraduate officer, International students officer and Liberation officers. • In collaboration with Women’s Officer “Gender Pay Gap” campaign has been launched in order to increase the awareness of the gender pay gap. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disabled student officer was successfully elected during October • 2 Events are organised during November in order to support BME community and International Students community on campus to improve the career perspective of this groups and also create a platform for communication • The regular meetings with Liberation officers • In collaboration with Women’s Officer “Gender Pay Gap” campaign is being developed in order to increase the awareness of the gender pay gap. 		

<p>A2</p>	<p>Improve Representation of International Students</p> <p>As an international student, I never felt my voice was being heard, yet international students have unique challenges that need addressing.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100+ of international students sign up for the community events • Monthly sessions with the members are setup (in collaboration with International Officer Danil Kocherga) • University creates guarantor scheme for housing • University create additional career advise support for international students (LaunchPad sessions, Tier 2 employers advice, etc) • 10+ extra events are created to support the network for international students • Organise the day of Action “WithoutUs” on campus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5+ extra events are created to support the network for international students • In the process of organising the day of Action “WithoutUs” on campus • CitySucceeds event was organised in order to create the platform for international students to network and also help with understanding of their career perspectives 	
<p>A3</p>	<p>Improve Representation of Postgraduate Students</p> <p>Postgraduate students make more than 48% of student population at City. However, the representation of them is weaker comparing to undergraduate students. It is important to address issues of such a big cohort.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SU run elections and successfully recruit PGT and PGR officers • I arrange monthly meeting with PGT and PGR officers to discuss current issues and gather feedback • SU organises at least two extra events for postgraduate officers during Welcome Weeks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SU organises at least two extra events for postgraduate officers during Welcome Weeks • In collaboration with Postgraduate Taught Officer PostGradUp project is launched in order to build the relationship with Postgraduate community • Postgraduate Student Officer was successfully elected during October 	

B Accessible Campus					
Ref:	I will:	I will have achieved this when:	What I have done so far:	Strategy	%
B1	<p>Implement Phone chargers Phones consume a vast amount of power to function. Forgetting a suitable charging cable can be an inconvenience. I aim to resolve this with designated charging stations, which intend to resolve the problem.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SU gets 2 charger stations for students • University and SU increase the number of stations to 4 within different campuses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successfully implemented 2 charger stations (One next to SU reception in the Tait building, another one in Bunhill Row.) • One charger station was agreed to be set in the library 		
B2	<p>Maintain low food cost and create non-alcohol space through Courtyard Café The City Bar and Food Hall are the vital social hubs for City students and their friends. I will ensure that both facilities will remain affordable for students. Despite of the fact that the City Bar is used as the main social space, it is fully inclusive for all communities at city. Courtyard café can become a perfect alternative inclusive social space.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SU takes over the Courtyard Café • As an alternative to the City Bar, Student Union organise 30% of activities in the Courtyard Cafe • SU reduce food price in the Courtyard Café by 5% 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SU will be contributing to the management committee of the courtyard cafe • SU is currently involved in the process to agree for the next catering contractor at City 		
B3	<p>Keep students updated about common rooms, computer rooms, library changes Due to big amount of construction works on campus students might have difficulties to access certain areas for studies. I will make sure that alternative areas were allocated for students. So, it will not cause the disruption of their studies and experience. It is also important to make sure that students are aware of the changes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University sends the email to students with information about new library spaces • University sets the system to allow students to see the available computer rooms and common spaces. 			

C Union Development					
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C1	<p>Improve Transparency and Awareness of the SU</p> <p>During my first two years, I was not involved in SU. To me University was somewhere you went to study and nothing else. Only doing my Masters I realised that university could be more than just studying. Student Union gives a lot of opportunities to develop yourself. It also provides the support throughout your studies. It is important that students are aware of these opportunities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engagement in the Union social media channels increases by 10%. (Apr '19) Through cross campus engagement activities, the Union has had 300+ conversations with students about their experience. (Mar '19) 10% more students state they know who the sabbatical officers are and what they do in the annual survey. (June '19) After every Board meeting I write a news article for the Union website highlighting the key decisions. (Ongoing) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engagement in the Union social media channels increases by 10%. (Apr '19) Four events of the campaign "Union on Tour" were launched successfully in order to collect the feedback from different students' cohorts. The Trustees report was presented at the Students Members Meeting 		
C2	<p>Improve efficiency of sabbatical officer role in the SU</p> <p>University statistics shows there is huge proportion of Postgraduate Students (around 47%). One third of all students are international students. There are 19000 students' study at City University. There is a high chance that current Full-Time officer positions do not represent the demographics of students at city. The research will help to understand if there is an opportunity to improve representation and efficiency of the roles.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student Union conduct a research to estimate the efficiency of current Sabbatical Officers positions. Student Union and University approves new SU governance system 			

D Education (Reducing Stress Level during the Exam Period)

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D1	<p>Implement Pre – Exam sessions for first year and postgraduate students</p> <p>Exam period can be very stressful for students. Especially if it is your first year at university and you are unfamiliar with university exam regulations. Pre-exam session can help students to familiarise themselves with the exam process and reduce stress level during the actual exam.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SU organise few sessions as a part of winter Study Well campaign to find out about the demand • University make a pre-exam sessions mandatory as a part of revision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The feedback gathered from students during the exams period regarding their opinion and concerns of the examination process • The exam instructions were widely distributed by the SU during the exam period at the library and the study spaces 		
D2	<p>Lobby university to introduce anonymous coursework marking</p> <p>I am aiming for anonymous marking for all written assessment to assure our students that our marking process are fair and impartial. It will protect staff from accusations of unfairness and discrimination. It will contribute to legal obligations to promote equality.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I make a research on the benefits of anonymous marking • University uses anonymous marking system for all assignments 			