

VPSC Student Council report Feb 2020

It's been a great few months, achieving results for students and engaging in many ways. This report will highlight the non-manifesto work I've been doing.

I lead on a charity Sleepout, which saw students sleep outside for a night to raise funds and awareness of Homelessness. £1530 was donated to the Charity One25, who help women vulnerable and engaged with sex street work. This was linked to the UWE Grand Challenge, and I then went onto present this event as part of a mid-year showcase.

We now have two new society coordinators, and I have been involved with the interviews and final decision for the two new positions. Since having a full team, I have worked with them on Refreshers, The Society Ball, Societies Conference, and with ratifying new societies and gifting the society budget. I've catalysed and lead on Refreshers Fair, which came from student feedback, including coordinating the various areas of The Students' Union to make a very successful event, with many positive comments from societies, stallholders, attendees and the university directorate. In terms of numbers, 1280 people attended the fair, bar sales increased by £600, we gained £700 from the commercial stalls (this money will all be used to fund SU activities including Reps, societies etc. as all profit is), and we've had a 43% increase of January Society and Sport club memberships brought.

This event was also well loved by the January intake International and Glenside students, who through this event were welcomed fully into UWE and given the chance to engage. I've also been attending Learning and Teaching Student Experience Committee (LTSEC High level Uni meeting), representing students at meetings concerned with Equality, Diversity and Inclusivity in the HAS faculty, pushing forward the sustainability agenda through the sustainability board, Responsible Futures day and SU recruitment, being on panels for the universities Community and student experience funds, talked on BBC Radio Bristol about RAG raising £75000, supporting Jailbreak, and liaising with University directorate.