

About volunteering with SUSU:

The Sustainability Officer works to promote sustainability to students at Southampton across all our sites. This includes lobbying the University and Union to be more sustainable.

We provide full training at the beginning of the year as well as advice and support as you continue in your role. You will gain a wealth of experience through your voluntary role with SUSU, experience that you can use to improve your future employability while receiving recognition for the work you accomplish.

While volunteering with SUSU as Sustainability Officer, your role in this mission is described below.

Main Purpose of Role:

- 1) Promote environmental sustainability to students
- 2) Lobby the University and Union to be more sustainable
- 3) Co-ordinate with relevant groups on campaigns and awareness

Main Responsibilities of the Role

Promote environmental sustainability to students

- *To seek out the views of students on sustainability issues*
- *To implement feedback from students about these issues*
- *Promote a more sustainable lifestyle to students*

Lobby the University and Union to be more sustainable

- *To work with the Union President to lobby the University to ensure that any building projects sustainable*
- *Work with other Student Officers and the Union President to ensure sustainable initiatives are being implemented at all University sites*
- *Work within the Union to ensure our services and activities are sustainably run*

Co-ordinate with relevant groups on campaigns and awareness

- *Co-ordinate awareness campaigns around environmental issues that directly affect students*
- *To collaborate with relevant student societies on events and awareness raising*
- *To communicate, where appropriate, with relevant local community groups*

Sustainability Officer Role Profile

Where can you find guidance?

- *Sabbatical Officer:* president@soton.ac.uk
- *Activities Team:* activities@susu.org

How to nominate for the role:

In order to stand as a candidate, you will need to submit a short statement letting everyone know why they should vote for you. You don't need to have any previous experience so simply focus on what you will achieve if elected.

Log in to our website at www.susu.org/elections and fill out the nominations form. There is no need to create a new account, just use your University credentials.

For any queries about the election, please contact us at representation@susu.org

Time Commitment and Expectations:

There will be times throughout the year where you may be called on to help promote and spread awareness for SUSU campaigns. There will be key meetings that you must attend and you must attend relevant SUSU meetings.

If at any point you find that you are struggling to balance voluntary work with your studies we understand that your degree must come first. Please, come and speak to us and we will always try our best to make things easier.

Term of office: 1st July – 30th June

Our Values

As an organisation, our values underpin our work and guide what we live by in order to achieve our mission:



Stand Strong

We stand up for students and make sure their voice is heard.

We stand strong when facing challenges and are not afraid to be different. We think big and work to achieve great things.



Join Together

We are an inclusive and diverse community of students and staff

We join together with each other, the University, and the local community to make a positive difference.



Take Responsibility

We take action on the issues that matter to students and act with integrity.

We continually work to be more sustainable, challenge discrimination and prejudice. We strive to be a force for good for students and wider society.