

Area of work: Student Experience	
Sabbatical Plan Goal	Details
I will work with the Lettings team and advice centre to improve the student housing experience and hold local lettings agencies accountable.	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Had meetings with a local lettings agency following a plethora of complaints</li> <li>- Spoke with SUSU Head of Advice and Lettings as well as SUSU Lettings Manager about a developing a guide for all things relating to housing and accommodation</li> </ul>
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Continue to work on a guide for housing</li> <li>2. Speak with SUSU COO to find a solution to the tenancy gap at the end of June</li> </ol>
I will make student safety in the wider s Southampton community a priority and enhance the already-existing initiative SUSU Safe.	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I have worked closely with SUSU's Head of Advice and Lettings and our VP Activities on the Student Safety Agreement, a set of criteria for local nightclubs to sign up to which improves safety within the venue.</li> </ul>
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuing to build working relationships with the local night-time economy vendors</li> <li>• <b>Reach out to vendors again to come to agreement</b></li> <li>• <b>Work on the SUSU Safe digital presence on the SUSU website</b></li> </ul>
I will liaise with iSolutions to improve the MySouthampton app in order to make it more user-friendly and convenient for students.	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spoke with SUSU's Director of Marketing and Events and the University's Head of Student Communications to make the interface of MySouthampton more user-friendly</li> </ul>
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to consult with students on any issues/ideas they have for the app</li> <li>• Push for more student-focussed activities to be published on the app for more accessible information</li> </ul>
I will support students through the current cost of living crisis and reduce the burden it has on the student body.	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Continued work with SUSU COO and SUSU Head of Social Enterprise on the new SUSU loyalty programme</li> <li>- Talks with SUSU Head of Advice and Lettings to promote to students the financial support available to them</li> <li>- <b>Attended Cost of Living summit and presented with the Solent SU president on the effect the CoL crisis has had on students in Southampton</b></li> <li>- <b>Worked with VP Sports to lobby the University to lower the cost of/make the sports pass more accessible</b></li> </ul>
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Speak with relevant stakeholders to promote employment opportunities at the University, Union and externally</li> <li>2. <b>Work with the new SUSU Cost of Living working group to plan better support for students</b></li> <li>3. <b>Continue to lobby the University in regards to the sports pass</b></li> </ol>
Area of work: Leading the Union	

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I will be a part of several university SMP boards, including SGOP, Sustainability Education, Process Transformations and Collections Development and Discovery.	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- SGOP: Attended introductory meetings and met relevant stakeholders</li> <li>- Sustainability Education: <b>Attend monthly meetings, provide student perspective on e-modules and communication</b></li> <li>- Process Transformations: Started consultation on suspending students</li> <li>- CD+D: <b>Collections have started in some faculties, continue to provide student feedback</b></li> </ul> <p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SGOP: <b>waiting to hear further from the University</b></li> <li>• Sustainability Education: continue to lobby the University for more access to the sustainability module</li> <li>• Process Transformations: <b>Still waiting on next steps from the University</b></li> <li>• CD+D: Continue consultation, advise the Board from a student perspective</li> </ul>
I will contribute to the formation of a new SUSU strategy.	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encouraged students to take part in SUSU democracy review</li> <li>• Interview with Wonkhe</li> <li>• Set out SUSU priorities for this year with Sabbatical Officers and CEO</li> <li>• <b>Attended Wonkhe democracy review conclusion meeting with recommendations</b></li> </ul> <p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue consultation with students</li> <li>• <b>Work with SUSU SLT and SUSU staff on the new strategy</b></li> <li>• <b>Enact the recommendations from Wonkhe</b></li> </ul>
I will rethink how SUSU social enterprise spaces are used and make them more enhancing venues for students to enjoy.	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Started brand new event in Stags – Stags Showdown, which encourages engagement with clubs and societies</li> <li>• Consulted with students on the reintroduction of the bar at Wide Lane</li> <li>• Spoke with students about what they want from their SU spaces</li> <li>• <b>Confirmed opening dates for the Wide Lane bar, to much satisfaction of sports clubs</b></li> <li>• <b>Planned The Cube in The Cube</b></li> </ul> <p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Continue work with SUSU Head of Social Enterprise to operate the Wide Lane bar</b></li> <li>• Continue to promote Stags Showdown and keep up the momentum it has reached</li> <li>• <b>Host The Cube in The Cube as a spin off of Stags Showdown</b></li> </ul>
I will promote SUSU activities and achievements as well as pushing to become more student facing in order to improve relations between SUSU and the student body.	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Outreach to clubs and societies in their social spaces for genuine conversations about their achievements/anything they need from SUSU</li> <li>- <b>Attended Wide Lane regularly with VP Sports to be present for sports clubs and discuss any support they need</b></li> <li>- <b>Held open sessions with the other sabbatical officers and the SUSU CEO to better understand students affected by the Israel-Palestine conflict.</b></li> </ul> <p>Next steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Continue to build close relationships with clubs and societies with the help of VP Sports and VP Activities</li> <li>2. <b>Take forward the actions from the Middle East support meetings, to better support students affected</b></li> </ol>

	<b>3. Attend club and society committee meetings and events to become more personable with the student body and build trust</b>
<b>Area of work: Sustainability</b>	
<b>Sabbatical Plan Goal</b>	<b>Details</b>
I will propose more sustainable activities for SUSU to facilitate for students.	Work so far: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Started early discussions about Sustainability Week 2024, <b>in tandem with the University</b></li> <li>- Discussed possible ideas for sustainable student engagement with SUSU Head of Sustainability</li> <li>- <b>Started to work with Outer Avenue Residence Association (OARA) to get students involved with green initiatives in the local area</b></li> </ul>
	Next steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Propose ideas to Give it a Go Coordinator</li> <li>- Consult with sustainability reps</li> </ul>
I will help launch the Green Student Project; an initiative run by both the University and SUSU to help students live more sustainable lives outside of their studies.	Work so far: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early discussions with SUSU Head of Sustainability and University VP Education and Student Experience</li> </ul>
	Next steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regular meetings with relevant stakeholders</li> <li>• Speak with sustainability reps</li> <li>• Work with University admissions team to make it an option at point of enrolment</li> </ul>
I will form a new sustainability group comprised of relevant students to deliberate and enhance student voice on sustainability issues.	Work so far: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opened interest form for the Student Sustainability Forum</li> <li>• <b>Held monthly meetings for the forum</b></li> <li>• Spoken to SUSU Head of Sustainability and Environmental Sciences professors for engagement</li> <li>• <b>Linked the forum in with the SRI</b></li> </ul>
	Next steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Work with the forum to lobby the University for green change with the backing of student voice</b></li> </ul>
I will sit on the key sustainability boards within the university to ensure they upkeep their Sustainability Strategy.	Work so far: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Attended monthly Sustainability Implementation Group (SIG) meetings and delivered SUSU reports</li> <li>- Attend quarterly Sustainability Strategy Board (SSB) meetings and delivered SUSU reports</li> <li>- Attended sustainability strategy Q&amp;A event with SUSU Head of Sustainability to challenge the University on their sustainability goals</li> </ul>
	Next steps: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Continue to attend said meetings to report on SUSU activity and lobby for more action for a sustainable future</li> <li>2. <b>Work with the Chair of SIG to get the annual sustainability update in May, so more students can attend</b></li> </ol>

Other

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