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Area of work: Student Engagement	
Sabbatical Plan Goal	Details
Student voice and communication in sport	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hosted a Sports and Facilities Forum <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lots of feedback on projects that I am focussing on, lots of input from students on issues revolving around facilities Formed a Sports Executive Committee (SEC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slightly restructured the SEC Have had two meetings so far They have all interacted with students within their category, learning about any issues and/or feedback on projects that I am working on. Hosted Drop-in sessions within Stags Created a 1-2-1 Microsoft bookings page
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Host at least one more sports and facilities Forum Carry on having monthly meetings with SEC Look into what having a disability representative would look like
Recognition	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instagram 2.0 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pull up banner (QR code) has been created and put up at events Restructured Instagram by removing old highlights and ensuring fixtures are placed within separate highlights to avoid diluting other posts
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recreate the “who are we” highlights section
Project Voice	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hosted, promoted and attended multiple Sabbs on Tour events Enhanced the look of Sabbs Fortnightly
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Host more Sabbs on tour events within different locations Keep looking into Sabbs Fortnightly to see how it can be enhanced
<p>Other Projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Badge Scheme <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have looked through many applications and have approved/declined/ asked for more evidence Working to ensure this award is recognised – aiming to show up on individual SUSU page, and show up on a separate badge scheme page 	
Area of work: Student Experience	
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Financial	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understood how sponsorships currently work within clubs
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look into feasibility of having grouped sponsors • If feasible, look into sponsorships
Exercise out of clubs	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Had meetings with the people leading Give it a go, BeActive, Active for all, Learn 2, Sports Clubs, IM, Performance Sports and EIM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Promoted sessions within above categories to enhance student participation ○ Worked with colleagues to see how there can be more of a link between the above categories and whether a pathway between them is apparent ○ Researched other university's takes on this ○ Looked into how we can make distinct communications for students on above categories to avoid confusion and overlap. • Gym Buddy Scheme <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Researched how an effective gym buddy scheme could be utilised ○ Created a term of reference for the gym buddy scheme ○ Worked with Southampton Sport to recruit the gym buddies
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More promotion of opportunities outside of sports clubs
Inclusivity and Accessibility	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial research into understanding what issues are currently within sports clubs
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find out why students/ what groups of students aren't joining sports clubs or completing regular physical exercise • Find out how teams can be more disability inclusive • Research into initiatives other universities/ student unions do
Awards	<p>Work so Far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Found out whether students still wanted an award ceremony and whether this would be a black-tie event like usual • Researched into many options for different styles of awards events and created an option list from this (different price levels, dates, locations, food options) • Pitched option list to forum and SEC
	<p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get student feedback of what awards should be removed and/or created • Set the date early for students and open nominations early • Look into what incentives/ comms would convince students to attend
Movember	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worked with Movember ambassadors to figure out what has been missing in the past, and what can be improved for this year • Worked with other Sport sabbatical officers across the country (~20-30) on a cross collaboration and so far (13/11/25) have raised ~£350,000. • Hosted a Movember shave stall where anyone could come and shave their facial hair with us, and chat about movember. • Encouraged sport clubs (and societies) to join the Movember campaign and host their own events

	<p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carry on with business as usual for Movember • Host the Insight out day, 24hr cycle event, and the 6 a side football tournament
<p>Other Projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGM change <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No actions from me yet ▪ When confirmed, I will ensure students are effectively told • Initiations Campaign <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Researched into other universities/ students unions approach ▪ Working with other staff on this • Disability in sport <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Researched into other universities approaches 	
Area of work: Training	
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Cheat Sheets	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read the current guides within SharePoint <p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collate the list of committee positions from each committee and use generic terms to group them • Collate all the induction training presentation and the current committee handover guidance into one document • Summarise big chunks and then provide links to Clubs and Societies SharePoint with more in-depth information • Work with SUSU staff to work out what emails/students should go to them and who should not – common issues they've faced so far
In Person Trainings	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The conference week went ahead as planned – and the overall idea was already thought of and implemented • I ensured all committee members knew about it as much as possible through many different ways of communication <p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If any other training days go ahead, ensure students are aware and reminded
Area of work: Facilities	
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Bars	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looked into how Wide Lane and Stags can be improved by researching local bars/pubs and other student unions • Presented Wide Lane plan to necessary people – was told unlikely to happen anytime soon • Researched and conducted student consultation in what will incentivise students to visit Stags more • Conducted a lot of research into local and other student union drink prices- which was successful in lowering the prices

	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep trying with Wide Lane bar and figure out ways to incentivise it more • Conduct more research into how to make Stags better
Utilisation	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clubs have been requested to upload membership student ID list and book onto block bookings
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These figures will be compared to ensure people have booked on • Will look into this data to ensure all clubs are being fairly allocated spaces to ensure the booking is getting as many students involved as possible

Other work:

- Exercise is Medicine Working Group
- Sport and Active Experience Board
- Student App Project
- Successful Futures Project
- Sustainability Education Project
- UOS Sustainability Strategy Board
- Sustainability Implementation Group
- Chair of Sustainability Forum
- SUSU Trustee Board
- Public Realm Board