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Area of work: Expand SUSU Social Media	
Sabbatical Plan Goal	Details
<b>Goal 1: Increase awareness of SUSU activities and drive participation via Xiaohongshu</b>	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conducted a systematic review of official Xiaohongshu accounts of multiple UK universities and their student organizations (Students' Union and CSSA), including followers, engagement (likes, comments), content types, and operation models.</li> <li>Analyzed content focus of existing accounts, covering campus life, society activities, event promotion, and student rights information; identified that University of Southampton's current accounts lack coverage of SUSU activities, society promotion, and student rights.</li> </ul>
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work closely with the Insight Team to gather data on students' online communication preferences, information habits, and society participation trends.</li> <li>Based on research findings and Insight Team analysis, formally lobby the Marketing Team for account setup and content strategy recommendations.</li> <li>Once the accounts are launched, publish content on Xiaohongshu and Instagram, and continuously collect feedback for optimization.</li> </ul>
<b>Goal 2 Explore different societies from a first-person perspective and showcase their social sessions</b>	<p><b>Work so far:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Filmed social sessions of different societies from a first-person perspective, capturing the atmosphere, activities, and participation, allowing students to gain a more intuitive understanding of each society.</li> <li>Maintained ongoing contact with multiple societies to arrange filming and content release.</li> <li>Published some content on social media and collected student feedback to refine future filming directions.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Next steps:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Publish at least one society exploration post per week, while continuing to contact and film as many societies as possible.</li> <li>Work with the Insight Team to understand students' content preferences and viewing habits, guiding filming angles and content style.</li> <li>Collect engagement data (likes, comments, shares) and adjust filming style, content focus, and posting frequency based on feedback.</li> <li>Integrate filmed content into a multi-platform strategy (Xiaohongshu, Instagram) to reach a wider student audience and enhance society participation.</li> </ul>

**Other projects:**

1. **Social Media Engagement Strategy Exploration**
2. **Multilingual Resource Compilation**
3. **International Student Engagement Initiatives**

**Area of work: Anti-fraud Awareness Campaign / Campus Tours**

Sabbatical Plan Goal	Details
<b>Goal 1 Research and Case Analysis</b>	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducted systematic research on major scam cases targeting international students, including:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– impersonation of police/embassy officials and “bail deposit” scams;</li> <li>– dating app scams evolving into financial or crypto fraud;</li> <li>– fake “designer from Italy” street scams involving threats or coercion;</li> <li>– fake remittance or currency exchange scams in WeChat/Red groups.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Analyzed each case by outlining common patterns, red flags, prevention advice, and emergency response guidance.</li> <li>• Identified the most vulnerable groups and psychological risks to inform awareness materials.</li> </ul>
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Turn case insights into educational materials (leaflets, posters, short videos).</li> <li>• Work with the SUSU Advice Team and Student Support to verify messaging accuracy.</li> </ul>
<b>Goal 2 On-Campus Awareness Booths and Tours</b>	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drafted the concept of anti-fraud informational booths and short awareness tours across main campuses (Highfield, Avenue, etc.).</li> <li>• Outlined booth content themes such as visa scams, romance scams, and social media fraud.</li> </ul>
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finalize event schedule, locations, and recruit student volunteers.</li> <li>• Prepare printed resources and real-case summaries for interactive display.</li> <li>• Collaborate with university safety and communication teams for coordinated promotion.</li> </ul>
<b>Goal 3 Student Engagement and Feedback</b>	<p>Work so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Designed initial feedback mechanisms, including QR-code surveys and on-site Q&amp;A.</li> </ul>
	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organize short campus tours or info sessions combining university resources with real-life fraud prevention advice.</li> <li>• Develop multilingual materials (e.g., English, Chinese, Hindi, German) to reach diverse student groups.</li> </ul>
<b>Other projects:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Social Media Engagement Strategy Exploration</b> – Researching effective online communication methods to enhance fraud awareness among international students through RED and Instagram.</li> <li>2. <b>Multilingual Resource Compilation</b> – Developing anti-fraud educational materials in multiple languages (e.g., Chinese, Hindi, German) to improve accessibility for non-native speakers.</li> <li>3. <b>International Student Engagement Initiatives</b> – Organizing informational booths and short campus tours (Highfield, Avenue, etc.) to promote fraud prevention and safety awareness.</li> </ol>	