Sustainability Faculty Representative Role Profile



About volunteering with SUSU:

Our vision for the future is that every student loves their time at Southampton We are here to represent the voice of students at every level and ultimately make their university experience unforgettable.

Independent from the University, we're run by students, for students!

As a student-led organisation the hard work and dedication of our student volunteers is vital to our mission.

The Sustainability Faculty Representative (SFR) works within their respective faculties to raise student concerns regarding faculty specific sustainability issues. They report directly to the student elected Sustainability Officer and are responsible for gathering student feedback on sustainability, liaising with their designated university staff contact, and lobbying the university as an individual or as a collective to engage in more sustainable practices.

In order to apply for the role, you must be a student within this faculty. When applying you are confirming that you meet the eligibility criteria for the role. 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 an SFR, your role in this mission is described.

Main Purpose of Role:

- To liaise with university staff about sustainability feedback from students
- 2) Lobby your faculty and the wider university to engage in more sustainable practices
- 3) To report to the Sustainability Officer and work together with other Sustainability Faculty Representatives on sustainability campaigns

Main Responsibilities of the Role

To liaise with university staff about sustainability feedback from students

- To seek out the views of students on sustainability issues
- To implement feedback from students about these issues
- To attend faculty specific and wider university sustainability meetings

Lobby your faculty and the wider university to engage in more sustainable practices

- To lobby your faculty to ensure it functions in a sustainable manner
- Work with other Student Officers and the Union President to ensure sustainable initiatives are being implemented across the university

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Help the Sustainability Officer ensure that the Union runs sustainably

To report to the Sustainability Officer and work together with other Sustainability Faculty Representatives on sustainability campaigns

- To attend meetings and forums organised by the Sustainability Officer or Union President
- To contact the Sustainability Officer for advice or support with new ideas and initiatives
- Help the Sustainability Officer coordinate awareness campaigns around environmental issues that directly affect the university community

Where can you find guidance?

Sabbatical Officer: <u>president@soton.ac.uk</u>

Representation Team: representation@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.

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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.