

NUS Delegates x6 places

Position Type: Voluntary

Key Dates: 8th-11th March 2019

6 Positions Available. NUS have a requirement that 50% of a delegation must self-identify as women therefore Oxford SU will therefore ensure that a minimum of three of our delegates are self-defining women.

For more details, see: conference.nusconnect.org.uk.

Key Aspects of the role:

- Be available on the 8th-11th March 2019 to attend national conference.
- Be available for a 1 hour briefing by Oxford SU staff on Oxford SU policy and key documents.
- Record each of your votes which will be reported to Trinity Student Council.
- Your hotel is provided by NUS. Travel and a food allowance will be paid for by Oxford SU.
- The vote of the delegate is not a personal vote, but one that is made on behalf of the 23,000 students at the University of Oxford. As such, certain votes can be bound by the mandate of Student Council and all votes can be scrutinised and held accountable by the Oxford student body.

What do delegates vote on at NUS national conference?

1. The NUS delegates vote on policy, vote on reports and vote in national elections.
2. At National Conference the national president, five national vice-presidents and 15 national part-time executives are elected. The NUS delegates will vote on behalf of the Oxford student body for the people that they think will best represent Oxford students. The NUS president and vice-presidents are among the most visible representatives of the student movement. They make frequent media appearances and campaign on our behalf on a national level, to institutions such as the government.
3. NUS policy is formed and changed by motions brought and discussed at National Conference. Each motion is presented by the students' union that submitted it, and everyone at the

conference gets to debate and vote on it. NUS delegates have the opportunity to bring motions to National Conference on behalf of their student body.

4. At the start of the National Conference delegates will get a copy of the reports to read over and discuss with other NUS delegates. Reports detail the work of NUS over the past year and our NUS delegates will have the opportunity to vote in favour, and thus accept the work done by NUS, or against. If they believe that NUS have done as much as it can, based on the policy passed at the last National Conference, then our NUS delegates will vote in favour.

What do I get out of it?

Other than a free trip to the conference, being an NUS delegate is:

- A great opportunity to learn about the range of issues affecting students.
- Shape national policy on issues affecting Oxford students.
- Make a tangible difference to the lives of students through the national student union movement.

Key skills you will develop in your role

- Networking
- Public speaking
- Understanding policy
- Experience of large scale democratic event