

Vice President Welfare & Equal Opportunities

Salary: £20,836

TERM OF OFFICE:

30/06/19 - 27/06/20

HOLIDAY:

24 days

+ 6 fixed closure days

+ 8 public holidays

The Vice-President Welfare & Equal Opportunities represents Student Members to the University, and external audiences. They lead in policy making, campaigning and lobbying work in conjunction with other Officers, on student Welfare and Equal Opportunities issues at the University of Oxford. They provide support to key student welfare providers including Common Rooms Representatives. They are a Sabbatical Trustee and play a key role in the relationship between Student Council and the Trustee Board.

Sabbatical Trustee Areas of Responsibility

- To be a Sabbatical Trustee and play a key role in relationship between Student Council and the Trustee Board.
- Support the committees of Oxford SU Campaigns
- To represent students to the University, and external audiences as appropriate.
- To campaign, lobby, and make policy on student Welfare and Equal Opportunities issues at the University of Oxford.
- To provide support to key student welfare providers, including common room welfare officers and liberation reps.
- To liaise with the Student Advice on key welfare related issues affecting students of the University of Oxford.
- To oversee implementation of the Oxford SU Welfare Vision.
- To run and deliver projects arising from manifesto pledges and team priorities.

Key University Stakeholders

- Counselling Service
- Disability Advisory Service
- Director of Student Health and Welfare
- Equality and Diversity Unit

University Committees

- Equality and Diversity Panel
- Joint Fees & Student Support Advisory Group
- Race Equality Charter Mark Action Plan Group
- Student Wellbeing Subcommittee
- Security Subcommittee
- Prevent Steering Group
- Consultative Committee for Health and Safety
- Equality and Diversity Forum

- Welfare Forum (including BME Welfare sub-group and Disability sub-group)

Key SU staff support

- Head of Student Engagement and Communications
- Communications and Campaigns Manager
- Education and Wellbeing Manager

Key skills you will develop in your role

- Project planning
- Management
- Campaign management
- Being an effective representative (on committees and to various stakeholders with tools such as consultation and data collection)
- Negotiation and assertiveness
- Organisation and time management skills
- Presentation and public speaking skills
- Effective use of social media
- Engagement with the press
- Working independently or as part of a team

In this particular role, you will also gain:

- In-depth understanding of issues of welfare in Higher Education and the unique challenges the University of Oxford poses in respect to them.
- In-depth understanding of government policies and legislation that affects students with protected characteristics, e.g. the Equality Act 2010 and the Prevent duty.