# The Falmouth & Exeter Students' Union Student Council

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Role Descriptor



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# **Short Description:**

You will be working with SU Presidents, SU staff, and the Falmouth student rep system, to make improvements to the experience of all Falmouth postgraduate research students.

Status: Part-Time Officer

Elected: By secret ballot by all Falmouth and Exeter students

Term of Office: 1 Academic Year

Accountable to: The student body via SU Board of Trustees, SU

Student Council, Annual General Meeting and Union General Meetings

Member of/attends: SU Student Council (twice a term

1:1 with SU President Falmouth (twice termly)

Regular Updates with SU Student Voice staff

Other groups or meetings as appropriate and mandated

Hours: As the role requires and can be flexible dependent on studies.

Remuneration: This is a voluntary role, however, out of pocket expenses will be paid

where appropriate.

# Role Summary:

- To represent and campaign on the postgraduate research (PhD) experience within Falmouth University;
- To work closely with the SU President Falmouth, SU academic officers, the student rep system, and the SU Student Voice Team.

## Responsibilities:

- 1. To attend all meetings as required by the role;
- 2. To maintain an awareness of and encourage student involvement in NUS academic campaigns and other regional, national and international campaigns of relevance to students where appropriate;
- 3. To find out the academic opinions of the postgraduate research students across the Falmouth University represented on a regular basis, including any examples of excellent academic practice;
- 4. To represent these opinions at all meetings as noted above;
- 5. To feed back the outcomes of any meetings to the represented students;
- 6. Enhance the academic representation of Postgraduate research (PhD) students in collaboration with the SU Student Voice team.
- 7. To represent student views and experience when working with the SU to build a PhD social infrastructure in collaboration with the Post-Graduate society and the SU Student Voice team
- 8. Utilise SU's media channels to raise visibility of the PhD community at Falmouth.
- 9. To attend other relevant meetings and make contact with appropriate colleagues within Falmouth and Falmouth Exeter Plus as well as external organisations where appropriate;
- 10. To liaise with postgraduate students across Falmouth University;
- 11. To work with SU colleagues to deliver on agreed SU priorities regarding education and academic representation;
- 12. To consult with postgraduate students on academic issues such as teaching quality, feedback, teaching and learning developments, timetabling, placements;
- 13. To liaise with, support and be involved with relevant SU societies;

## General Duties:

- 1. To undertake training as required to fulfil your role;
- 2. To conduct yourself appropriately as a public representative of students and SU.
- 3. To make yourself known to the students you represent;
- 4. To effectively communicate information and plans with relevant members of the SU team;
- 5. Ensure that SU policies and procedures are adhered to at all times, and where appropriate, make recommendations and contribute to the amendment or development of a policy;
- 6. Carry out duties within the scope of the role as set out in the SU Constitution & By-laws or as mandated by the SU Board of Trustees, SU Student Council, Referenda and General Meetings;
- 7. To regularly provide a written report to the SU Student Council on duties undertaken;
- 8. To promote SU and student involvement in line with SU branding and marketing guidelines;
- 9. To deliver a handover for your successor;

## **Key Contacts**

- SU President Falmouth (Mentor)
- SU (Postgraduate) Department Reps
- SU Education Officers
- SU Student Voice Team
- SU Postgraduate Society
- Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic)