

Election of Student Members

Council of the School of the Humanities and Social Sciences: Student Representatives

The Student Representatives to the Council of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences are the student leaders in the School's efforts to promote and develop the best possible student experience. The School supports teaching across the following ten Faculties or Departments, each of which is represented at the Council of the School by its Head:

Economics; Education; History; Law and Criminology; Archaeology; Social Anthropology; Sociology; Politics and International Studies; Land Economy; History & Philosophy of Science

The business of the Council of the School is wide-ranging. Student representatives are invited to attend for all unreserved business, with full speaking rights, and are encouraged to provide a 'student voice' in the Council's deliberations, which will include setting the overall strategic plan of the School; financial and physical resource allocation; education; research; School governance; and fundraising. The School's institutions collectively support approximately 2600 undergraduate students and approx. 2000 graduate students (MPhil and PhD), representing around 30% and 40% respectively of the University's total populations.

In addition to attendance at twice-termly meetings of the Council of the School, each student representative is invited to engage more closely with the School's educational business. In particular, the graduate representative is offered a seat on the School Graduate Committee, which meets termly to discuss matters of policy and practice relating to provision for students as a whole. Student representatives thus have an opportunity to influence directly the decisions made by the School and the quality of education provided within its constituent subjects, through voicing a student perspective and through raising queries and concerns about the matters discussed in sub-Committee and Council. The Student Representatives are expected to maintain close links with Faculty Board reps, to identify issues for the Council's attention and to feedback policy and decisions through local networks.

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