Alexander Johnston

Dear Fellow Students,

I am currently halfway through my PhD in Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics and am very interested in taking up the role of Graduate Representative for the Council of the School of Physical Sciences.

I have always strived to help others achieve their



full potential. In this role, I would defend the rights of all students in the School by actively gathering student opinions on important issues prior to Council meetings. I consider this to be a very important responsibility.

I have been a graduate student in the School for nearly three years, undertaking my MPhil in the Faculty of Physics and Chemistry (Cavendish Laboratory), and PhD in the Faculty of Mathematics (DAMTP). I feel that my time studying at two universities outside of the UK (the University of Queensland and the Australian National University) has shown me that there is a wide range of possible student experiences. I'm very interested in how universities operate and strategies to optimise educational policy.

During my undergraduate in Australia, I held the roles of Student Ambassador and Science Mentor, conducted tutorials for undergraduate students, and engaged myself with various societies. At Cambridge, I have enjoyed supervising students and am the MCR International Officer of my College.

This current period of global change provides an incredible opportunity to fasttrack many important shifts in our university experience. I believe that the Council has been making significant progress towards achieving these goals. I would endeavour to ensure that this continues, and that the student perspective remains central to all future decisions.

I would be very grateful for your support! I can honestly say that I would strive to fill this important role to the best of my ability and that I would always have your best interests at heart.

With best wishes,

Alexander Johnston