

## Graduate Student Representative on the Council of the School of Technology

Dear graduate students at the School of Technology,

My name is Jakob Muench and I have been a PhD student in the Engineering Department since 2016. Over the last two years, I have had the chance to develop a good understanding of our School by meeting many of you in person: whether it was at a careers fair at one of our West Cambridge sites, at a departmental graduate student conference, a CDT event, or the EnterpriseTECH programme at the Judge Business School. Even the briefest conversations have taught me over and over again that most of us have the same questions, concerns, and hopes for our time at Cambridge despite working in different fields and disciplines. To ensure that these are communicated to the academics and administrators who make strategic decisions about our faculties and institutions, our student body is entitled to a seat on the Council of the School of Technology.



Motivated by a series of workshops organised by the Centre for Science and Policy I attended this spring, I would gladly take up this role as your student representative in 2019 and make sure that our voice is heard at our School's council meetings. In particular, I would like to ensure that short and medium-term topics (e.g. resource allocation for travel grants, implications of the UK's withdrawal from the EU, research development training for graduate students, ...) that fall within our time at Cambridge remain a priority on the Council's agenda and are well communicated to all of us. Through close collaboration with the student representatives at the Faculty Board level, I am hoping to contribute to an on-going dialogue between all tiers of our School.

Thank you for your consideration  
Jakob Muench