



GSU
IMPERIAL GRADUATE
STUDENTS' UNION

Activity Report to ICU Council

1. Goals for 19/20 academic year

- Build PG community – including the Hammersmith and White city campus's
- Build the GSU's identity
- Improve engagement with the PG community

2. Election results:

- First year with new committee structure, with a higher number of positions available
- Highest PG voting turn out for Autumn elections – 2334 voters
- Most positions filled, some highly contested
- Silwood was not elected due to confusion – so this role will be filled by the elected Silwood president
- Hammersmith campus officer was not put up for election due to confusion
- Still confusion of how business school elections work as they are not advertised by the business school and they prefer to do their own

Table of elected positions for 19/20 academic year

Position	Elected student
GSU President	Mohit Devgan
Vice President Representation	Milia Hasbini
Vice President Operations	Zixiao Wang
Treasurer	Joesph Tam
Secretary	Rachele Invernizzi
Academic and Welfare Officer – Engineering - PGR	Raya El Laham
Academic and Welfare Officer – Engineering - PGT	-----
Academic and Welfare Officer – Business school - PGR	-----
Academic and Welfare Officer – Business school - PGT	Fangjie Cheng
Academic and Welfare Officer – Life sciences - PGR	Emma Couves
Academic and Welfare Officer – Life sciences - PGT	Tilivaldi Ilaunov
Academic and Welfare Officer – Medicine - PGR	-----
Academic and Welfare Officer – Medicine - PGT	Niza Ravi
Felix Officer	Sarah Hendricks
Website Officer	Jing Zhuang
Social Media Officer	Eve Chan
Publicity Officer	Jing Zhuang
Events officer (4)	Hannah Jones Michaela Joyce Nishika Khanna
Sponsorship officer	Eoin O'Kane
White City Campus Officer	Leonie Stroemich
Hammersmith Campus Officer	-----
Silwood Campus Officer	-----

3. Finance:

- Total of £8,893.43 in GSU's account
 - Awarded £3,500 from union for the 19/20 academic year
 - £2,861.31 for publicity
 - 638.69 for ground hire
 - £9,835.24 from college carried over from last year
 - £4,441.81 removed due to SGI
- More funds required to achieve goals and run a GSU winter ball

4. Representation:

a. PRES:

- Worked on PRES results and Union feedback report with Ashley Brooks
- Recommend several actions for both the Union and College
- Report was discussed at PRQC in October and a working group is to be set-up to address the actions
- Most issues relate to supervision and well-being
 - To address this, we have recommended that a graduate community hub is created

5. Operations:

a. Welcome events:

- PGT welcome event (Saturday 28th September)
- International welcome fair (Sunday 29th September)
- Discover Imperial fair (Monday 30th September)
- Union welcome fair (Tuesday 1st October)
- Taught medical students welcome fair (Thursday 3rd October)
- Silwood welcome talk (Friday 4th October)
- White city and Hammersmith Hospital welcome event at W12 studios (25th October)
- Multiple welcome talks – mainly Medical departments that asked for individual GSU welcome talks – this is not feasible for the future and needs to be addressed.

b. h-bar events – In conjunction with union events team

- Board games night (30th September)
- Speed tasting (1st October)
- Karaoke (2nd October)
- Pub quiz (3rd October)
- Silent Disco (4th October)

All events were successful with large turn outs and increased takings compared to past few years. Sadly, h-bar did not have enough useful tills causing slow service and large loss of potential income for the union.

c. Future events:

- Halloween pub quiz (31st October)
 - Raising money for charity/increased prizes)
- PG Winter ball
 - After success of last year's first PG ball we will hold another
 - Moved to Jan/Feb to avoid clash with main union summer ball
- Invited to speak and attend at Tsinghua University Graduate forum of Global Alliance of Universities on Climate change on 17th-19th November.
 - Zixiao Wang and Mohit Devgan will be attending with flights and accommodation paid for.
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6. Communications:

We have tried to increase PG engagement through:

- Social media Facebook and anew Instagram account
- Monthly Felix column has started again for the 19/20 academic year
- Regular GSU newsletters