

Graduate Students' Union Restructure

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Union Notes:

- The Graduate Students' Union (GSU) is the representative body within the Imperial College Union for the postgraduate community across all Imperial campuses. The GSU shall coordinate and oversee the development and provision of postgraduate students' academic and welfare representation within Imperial College Union;
- The existing structure lead to heavy workload on GSU Vice Presidents (Operations) and GSU Vice President (Representation);
- It has become apparent that the postgraduate taught (MSc) students have always been under-represented in Union and University decision making;
- This GSU is also ambitious to develop close working relationship with Postgraduate Officers, Vice/ Deputy President (Postgraduate) and Graduate Union/ Association from other UK universities to launch national campaign to positively impact postgraduate students across the UK.

Union Believes:

The Union believes:

- The voices of PGT (MSc) students need to be improved;
- The GSU's external relations with other UK and/or international student organizations need to be developed.

Union Resolves:

- (1) To divide the position "**GSU Vice President (Operations)**" into two. The titles and responsibilities of new positions are:
 - **GSU Vice President (Events and Activities)**, to oversee the GSU subcommittee of activities and events;
 - **GSU Vice President (Public Relations)**, to oversee the GSU subcommittee of communications and GSU's external relationship with partner student organizations.
- (2) To divide the position "**GSU Vice President (Representation)**" into two. The titles and responsibilities of new positions are:
 - **GSU Vice President (Research)**, to work with the Postgraduate Research (PGR) Academic & Welfare Officers (AWOs) at GSU subcommittee of Education and Welfare to make sure important feedback from the research student Reps in the Departments is channelled to the Union and the College;
 - **GSU Vice President (Taught)**, to work with the Postgraduate Taught (PGT) Academic & Welfare Officers (AWOs) at GSU subcommittee of Education and Welfare to make sure important feedback from the MSc student Reps in the Departments is channelled to the Union and the College.