Sports Officer

Job Description

Salary: £18,940 (TBC by SU Council)

Purpose: To work with Sport Sheffield to shape the sporting opportunities available to students and champion participation in sport. In particular, to:

- Encourage sport participation and communities
- Represent student athletes
- Organise/input activity to develop sport

Dates: June 2019 to July 2020.
Includes a weekend residential in late June 2019 as part of your induction.

Who can stand? Any current student (see full T&Cs for full details).

Other info: All elected officers also become Trustees of the SU. Candidates must meet criteria for trustees (e.g. not be bankrupt). See point 5 of the full T&Cs

Specific responsibilities

Encourage sport participation and communities
- Encourage students to be involved with sports.
- Organise a Sports Fair in Intro Week to enable students to find out about sport at Sheffield University, and to enable clubs to recruit new members.
- Promote and develop the “Black and Gold” sporting community, including by organising meetings which bring together all clubs.
- Work with the Welfare Officer to promote healthy, active lifestyles.

Represent student athletes
- Represent students’ views and interests on sporting matters.
- Play an active role on the Sport Sheffield Board and serve as Co-Chair of the Sport Sheffield Partnership Group.
- Represent Sports Clubs within the British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS).

Organise/input activity to develop sport
- Support the development and promotion of a wide range of sport programmes, appealing to a variety of students.
- Champion the equal support for different types of participation (e.g. social sport, intra mural, elite sport, S10 Health and Wellbeing), fostering a sporting community that is inclusive and where resources are fairly allocated.
- Organise events that raise the profile of sports participation, including an annual Varsity event with Sheffield Hallam.

Shared responsibilities (all officers):
- Be an active member of the Student Executive Committee (SEC), overseeing SU direction and student representation as a whole.
- Oversee SU policies and how they are turned into action.
- Campaign for the rights and interests of students, locally or nationally.
- Uphold the SU’s democratic processes, including by upholding decisions taken by Referenda and by reporting to SU Council on progress and key issues.

You can find a full description of responsibilities for all Officers in Bye-Law 4 of the Constitution.