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BRISTOL SU ELECTIONS

Course Representative

Course reps work with other reps and university staff to improve the student academic experience. They do this by representing their course-mates' issues and priorities at to staff at course and school/department level.

Course Reps are also members of the Bristol SU's Education Network, and full voting members of Student Council, ensuring that students on their course have a voice in key SU decision.

Usually there is at least one Rep for every course at the University – this means a system of over 700 academic reps!

Core responsibilities as a Course Rep are:

- **Gathering and understanding students' opinions**
 - Regularly communicating with your peers to hear their opinions
 - Sending out more formal surveys/questionnaires when appropriate
 - Ensuring that you are truly representative by considering students' varied experiences and backgrounds
 - Attending Bristol SU democratic events such as Student Council and Annual Members Meeting, to represent your course and to contribute to university-wide student issues.
- **Working with both staff and students to find solutions**
 - Attending Student-Staff Liaison Committees (SSLCs) in your school to report findings to university staff.
 - Working with staff to raise and resolve issues where appropriate.
 - Working with other Course Reps to be a powerful collective voice.
 - Communicating and working with your Faculty Rep on issues that go beyond just your course.
 - Engaging with the SU's Education Network, to take part in student-led change through consultations, forums and Rep training events.
- **Communicating outcomes and updates back to your course-mates**
 - Reporting results, explanations and changes back to your course-mates after meetings with university staff
 - Reporting key successes and progress to your Faculty Rep, or directly to Bristol SU.

Time Commitment:

Course Reps spend an average of 1-2 hours a week on their role during term-time. This includes fixed term commitments (such as Student-Staff Liaison Committees or Student Council) and communicating with their course-mates.

The position runs from September 2020 – June 2021.

If you are interested in standing for this role and want to know more about what it's like on a day-to-day basis, email bristolsu-representation@bristol.ac.uk.