

Liverpool John Moores University Students' Union (JMSU) Student Trustee Vacancies

We are seeking four Student Trustees to sit on our Trustee Board who have the following attributes:

- Strategic thinking
- Independent judgement
- An ability to think creatively
- A willingness to speak your mind

What Skills and Knowledge will you get from being a trustee?

- Organisational management and experience of governance
- Performance Management
- Management of General business activities and income generation
- Human resources, people management and organisational development
- Policy knowledge of Higher Education and Students' Unions in particular
- Strategic planning
- Legal knowledge and company/charity law

To find out more about the role of a Trustee and some of the benefits involved, you may like to have a look at some of the following websites:

www.reachskills.org.uk/trusteeworks

www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-essential-trustee-what-you-need-to-know-cc3

What are Trustees Expected to do?

- To ensure compliance with governing documents, charity law, company law and any other relevant legislation or regulations.
- To ensure all activities and use of resources are in line with the charitable objectives and purpose, as defined in the constitution.
- To develop a strategic plan, approve operational policy, set targets and evaluate performance.
- To safeguard the organisations good name and values.
- To ensure effective and efficient administration of JMSU.
- To protect and manage the property of JMSU and to ensure the proper investment of the organisations funds.

How long is the role for?

2 years maximum for Student Trustees. Should this overlap with finishing studies at LJMU then Trustees can, if they wish, continue until the end of their term. A full induction and training programme will be provided. You would be expected to attend four meetings a year, an annual training event and any relevant sub-committees.



Will I get paid?

Trustees of JMSU are not remunerated. However, they are entitled to be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred as a result of business undertaken on behalf of JMSU.

So what's in it for me?

In addition to the skills listed above the main benefit of being a trustee is **personal development** and **career enhancement**. You will gain experience of all aspects of the Students' Union as a functioning charity/business and will be able to input into the overall strategic direction of the Union. As well as this, you will be partial to information and discussions that give insight into how a multimillion pound organisation is run, whilst having a valued voice around the table.

Being a trustee is also a rewarding experience, with the ability to positively benefit your peers and ensure the workings of the Students' Union are set up to best benefit students.

Who Can Apply

Any student who is studying at the University during the 2018/19 academic year is eligible to apply, and we would particularly welcome applications from Postgraduates, Part time students, Mature Students, BAME students, Women Students and Disabled Students. However, anyone can apply, and all your experience is relevant experience – the key element is that you are a student and would like to help the Union enhance students' lives.

This is an excellent opportunity to contribute to a vibrant, forward thinking organisation and to make an impact on the lives of all LJMU students.

RECRUITMENT PROCESS

If you are interested in being one of our Student Trustees please contact Paul Chapman, CEO on <u>P.Chapman@ljmu.ac.uk</u> or Angelina Cliff, President and Chair of the Board on <u>President@ljmu.ac.uk</u>



