



**STUDENTS'
UNION**
BOURNEMOUTH UNIVERSITY

STUDENT ELECTIONS

Liberation Officer Role Description

September 2020

Role Title	Liberation Officer <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Asian, Arab and Ethnic Minority Officer• Black Students' Officer• Disabled Students' Officer• Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Plus Officer• Transgender and Non-Binary Officer• Women's Officer
Responsible To	The members of the Union and the Board of Trustees
Time Commitment (approx.)	1-5 hours per week
Role Duration	One academic year
Staff Liaison	SUBU Democracy and Campaigns Department Full-Time Officer Team



ROLE PURPOSE

As a Part-Time Officer the post holder is expected to proactively champion the rights and needs of SUBU members. They help lead the development of the union whilst providing oversight and scrutiny of SUBU's work. They help support the Full-Time Union Officers and Students' Union staff to deliver relevant campaigns and policies. The Part-Time Officers are also expected to attend and represent student views at the Union's democratic meetings such as the Executive Committee, SUBU Summit and Student Members' meeting

In addition the Officer shall be responsible for leading on the relevant Liberation Campaigns by ensuring that each campaign has a meaningful impact on the students at Bournemouth University. As a Liberation Officer the post holder will be expected to represent the voices of other self-identifying students by organising and executing a campaigns agenda which attempts: to raise awareness and educate, highlight current issues, and empower students to act collaboratively to bring about change.

ROLE RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Ensuring the effective representation of students through proactively gathering a range of student views and advocating on their behalf.
2. Supporting and working with members to promote and bring about change based on manifestos and Union Policy.
3. Promoting participation and active citizenship within the student body.
4. Helping students to lead campaigns and projects that seek to improve the student experience.
5. Representing members to the Union and University through being an active participant at relevant committees and meetings.
6. Engaging in collective decision making and collective accountability with the Executive Committee.
7. Informing policy within the Union and University on matters relevant to their remit.
8. Engaging fully with the Union's democratic processes; including actively participating at every meeting of the Executive Committee, Student Council, Student Members' meeting and any other Committee of which they are a member.
9. Work to advance the equality between members of the Liberation Group and other students.
10. Challenge discrimination, oppression and inequality.
11. Represent the needs and interests of students belonging to the Liberation Group, within the Union, the University and wider community.
12. Promote and facilitate discourse between members of the community.
13. Act as a representative for relevant NUS events and conferences.
14. Lead on relevant events and history months.



WHY YOU SHOULD BECOME A LIBERATION OFFICER

1. Create positive change for your community
2. Gain experience and transferable skills which will boost your employability
3. Build networks and relationships with Officers, key members of staff at the Union and University and external organisations

REQUIREMENTS

Only students that belong to the community the post represents are able to stand for election.

There are no formal requirements for the role; however the post holder will be expected to attend a compulsory training session which will be provided by SUBU.

The post holder will also be expected to attend further training throughout the year.

