

Accessibility Training

14 student societies (and one group, the Riveters) completed the accessibility training. They are: Action Palestine, Classics Society, Christian Union, Communist Students, Debating Union, Hands Off the People of Iran, Irish Society, LGBT Society, Liberal Youth, Mexican Society, People and Planet, Scout and Guide, Students for a Sensible Drug Police and Students Against ID. These societies have not yet been listed on the UMSU website, due to the Societies section not being formatted in the same way as the rest of the site where extra info is easily added. The societies who completed the training have received follow-up info relating to accessibility for disabled students.

Fallowfield

I visited Fallowfield campus for their campus forum. It was a good experience, particularly as student officers can feel very far removed from students living in Halls of Residence. Since representatives from the Union hadn't been in attendance for many years, it probably improved our standing in the eyes of Fallowfield RAs.

Interviews

Together with Gabriel, I am involved in hiring a replacement Welfare Advisor for the Advice Centre. The pile of applications to trawl through is 2 inches high- this takes up a lot of time!

Procrastination

I have organised a procrastination workshop to take place in the Union in Meeting Room 4 on 3pm, December 9th. The workshop will be done in association with the Academic Advisory Service and Council are all more than welcome!

Safety

I have ordered plenty of light timers to distribute to students living in private housing before the Christmas break. These can be used effectively as anti-burglary devices that make it appear as though someone is at home even when the house is empty.

I have also spoken with a representative of Greater Manchester Police about the rape campaign they are launching next week. I had some questions to ask about their new publicity around the issue, but they have assured me that it is – in their words – “tasteful”. We shall see!

I gave an interview and provided information for an article on student safety to appear in *Student Direct: Mancunian Edition*.

Sexual Health

I finished all things related to Sex Week. Chlamydia testing posters have been distributed across campus and volunteers found. Other events, including the Sexual Health Quiz and a screening of “Kinsey” are good to go.

Exec also went down to the Hathersage Centre to get ourselves tested for a *Student Direct: Mancunian Edition* feature.

Training

I completed a training course in dealing with suicide and students experiencing an emotional crisis. I can honestly say that is was the more helpful and informative training I have completed.