

BAME Students' officer

Term: End of Spring term 2021 to the end of Spring term 2022

Time commitment: 5 hours per week. Hours may be more or less dependent on each officer's manifesto and priorities

Eligibility: The individual(s) holding the position of BAME Students' Officer may not self-define as White British.

Key Responsibilities

- Make every effort to achieve the manifesto you were voted in on
- Run the BAME Network, through which issues affecting black, asian and minority ethnic students can be discussed and campaigns or events decided
- Coordinate campaigns based on your manifesto and student's views around ethnic minority issues, promoting black liberation and anti-racism
- Encourage the combating of racism at all levels
- Liaise and work closely with the International Students' Network and other groups in the pursuit of furthering racial equality within the Union and the University.
- Work with other officers and Union staff to further the diversity of the Students' Union, including encouraging BAME students to participate in its democratic and representative functions (e.g. elections, referendums and YUSUggestions)
- To attend all Officer Group meetings
- Maintain your allocated budget responsibly
- Actively connect and communicate with the students you represent, tell them what you are working on and find out their views and needs
- Act as a responsible representative of your members and YUSU as a whole when interacting with the media and other organisations, behaving in a manner which maintains the good reputation of the Union and the office to which you have been elected
- Encourage your members to benefit from YUSU's social and pastoral activities (e.g. societies, sports, Advice & Support)

Opportunities

- To gain experience in leadership, campaigns and teamwork
- The chance to attend relevant NUS conferences and events
- To contribute to cross-network large scale campaigns
- To benefit from any training relevant to your role
- A chance to have your hard work and campaigns will be highlighted through YUSU's social media and website
- To be a member of the friendly and inclusive YUSU team

Support

As students who volunteer your time to create positive change for the students of York, our ambition is that you will feel supported, respected and proud to be part of YUSU. You will be supported by a specific YUSU member of staff who will become your "Link Staff" to support you with fulfilling your manifesto, campaigns and the running of your network. You will also have a wonderful network committee to support you, who will be elected for the start of your role, and work alongside other elected officers.

We understand the complications that the Covid-19 pandemic and the changes to the academic year may bring, so will be as flexible as possible on the start date and any other arrangements.

BE EXTRAORDINARY