

Coventry University Students' Union

Role Profile

Role Title: Student Trustee (voluntary)

Responsible to: Chair of the Board of Trustees

Coventry University Students' Union is the sole representative body for Coventry University students.

Our charitable mission is 'Supporting Student Success', with a vision that 'All Students at Coventry University Group Will Achieve Their Potential'.

We represent students on every level of their university experience, led by a team of elected student representatives and a full-time staff team.

The Role:

The Board of Trustees is the highest decision-making body within the Union and is ultimately responsible for making decisions that impact the overall direction and success of the Students' Union.

The role of Student Trustee is pivotal on the Board of Trustees, providing the perspective of the student body and ensuring that grass-roots student opinion is feeding decision making at the highest level within the Union.

Student Trustees actively participate in governance and decision-making processes that contribute to the overall student experience.

Being a Student Trustee is a great role for any member of the student community as it not only offers a great experience but also the ability to affect great change to the Union and its services.

Key Responsibilities:

To contribute to the Board of Trustees role in giving strategic direction to the Union, agreeing and monitoring overall strategy, setting targets and evaluating performance against agreed targets.

- To attend and actively contribute to Board meetings, including subcommittee meetings as necessary.
- Making sure the Union operates within and complies with its governing documents
- To ensure the Union uses its resources effectively, within its agreed aims and remit.
- To ensure the financial stability of the Union
- To safeguard the reputation and values of the Union

Trustees are expected to use any specific skills, knowledge of experience they have to help the board reach sound decisions, this will involve:

- Scrutinising Board papers
- Contributing to discussions
- Focussing on key strategic issues
- Providing guidance on new initiatives
- Providing guidance in which the Trustee has specific expertise
- To portray a positive image, internally and externally in line with the values of the organisation

I have read, understood and agree to the above duties.	
Signed:	Date:
Print Name:	