

Training Information Pack – Student Representatives

Saturday, 9 September 2023



Welcome

We look forward to welcoming you to the team at the training event on:

Saturday, 9 September 2023 9:30am-2:30pm (UK)

In this welcome pack you will find:

- Learning outcomes.
- Key dates.
- Information to help you prepare for the training and what happens after.
- Mini timetable (including link to the online training session).
- Contact details for the Volunteer and Representation team.



Learning Outcomes



- 1. Get to know your Student Association staff; meet new and existing student representatives.
- 2. Build awareness of the responsibilities and practicalities of being a student representative in a distance learning community.
- 3. Develop a practical understanding of what is required when attending committee meetings, including reading committee papers.
- 4. Feel confident to access the student voice platforms to nurture and respond to student feedback.
- 5. You will establish an understanding of the committee meeting structure and develop a practical understanding of how your role and participation impacts the student voice.
- 6. Demonstrate an understanding of the values and behaviours required of the Students Association.

MiniTimetable – Saturday, 9 September 9:30-2:30pm Full programme details are available on Volunteer Zone.



Link to all sessions - Click here to join all sessions

| Time | Session name | Mandatory | Optional |
|---------------|---|------------------|-----------------|
| 9:30-9:40 | 1. Welcome and Overview of Training Day | New student reps | Continuing reps |
| 9:40 - 10:00 | 2. Values and Behaviours | All student reps | |
| 10:00-10:30 | 3.What is a Rep? (Part 1) | New student reps | Continuing reps |
| | 10 minute break | | |
| 10:40-11:10 | 3.What is a Rep (Part 2) | New student reps | Continuing reps |
| 11:10 -11:30 | 4. Next steps, using online platforms | New Student Reps | Continuing reps |
| | 45 minute break | | |
| 12:15 -12:45 | 5. How to approach committee papers | All Student Reps | Continuing reps |
| 12:45 - 13:15 | 6. Being the student in the room - Building confidence and playing an active part | All student reps | |
| | 10 minute break | | |
| 13:25 -13:50 | 7. Introduction to Student Voice at the OU - The work of OU Student Voice and their partnership with the Students Association | All student reps | |
| 13:50 - 14:20 | 8. Q&A for all | All student reps | |
| | Close | | |



Prepare for your training session To complete BEFORE your training session:

So that you may attend your training date you should aim to complete the following before your training session.

| Activity | Aim | Complete |
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| Complete your confidentiality and non-disclosure agreement and your onboarding information form. | 9 Sep | |
| Write down some questions that you may want to ask on your training day. | 9 Sep | |
| Student Voice Guide - contains useful information about your role and the Association. | 9 Sep | |



What to expect AFTER your training session

Please refer to your individual checklist. This will keep you on track.

We will:

- Provide you with the key dates for meetings and invite you to your pre meeting briefings.
- Send you an event evaluation form to complete after training.
- Confirm the details of your @open account and provide access to forums.
- Introduce you to your committee secretary and they will contact you to introduce themselves too.

You will:

- Receive an invite to the Student Voice Monthly Forum (online) starts in the new academic term.
- Let us know if you cannot attend your briefing or meeting.
- Let us know if you have any questions or would like further support <u>Oustudents-volunteer@open.ac.uk</u>



Useful contacts:

Volunteering and Representation Team: Oustudents-volunteer@open.ac.uk

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If you have any questions or would like to request this information in an alternative format, please let us know by email <u>oustudents-volunteer@open.ac.uk</u>