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International Students
Representative

The position for International Students Representative (ISR) is directly answerable to International students at the University and a good representative has the potential to make students adhere to cosmopolitanism. As an international student myself, I know that study life in United Kingdom is intense and intellectually demanding and I want to provide guidance with some of the practical aspects of living and studying abroad.

I have resided in three countries and I have developed an understanding for issues surrounding me, but I have also discovered strategies to tackle the same. My desire for this position in addition to my academics is because I want to be chosen to act, to make a change, to speak for others.

As an international student we get to experience individuality and resilience, I do not want them to experience solitude, but think of every unfamiliar situation as an adventure and an opportunity to explore the new culture. I think the university has done a fantastic job by itself and by introducing 'International Buddy Scheme', but now I want to build on this by making things more translucent between the student's and the environment surrounding them.

As a representative, I want to hear what matters to you most and make fundamental changes to the way we approach our new environment. Some of the issues that I want to reflect on are students having different levels of English, cultural adjustments and difference's in studying methods. I believe I can enable social and academic integration, explicate expectations, and implement Peer-assisted learning at our University. A new culture is an ongoing process and I want to help them through this transition and I want to be the leader that can drive change in others to build purpose and a sense of real value.

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