

MATURE STUDENTS' REPRESENTATIVE

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For the bigger picture, look to O'Rourke.

My vision is to reform the mature student role into a larger representation for independent students. To do that I will stand up and ensure that mature and independent students, an often misunderstood and underrepresented group, are given the voice and empowerment to be equal to their cohorts.

My name is Aaron O'Rourke and I am standing for the role of Mature Students' Rep.

I am here to support all mature students, parent students and carer students, regardless of age, social, ethnic, political or religious background. I aim to rename the role to Independent Students' Rep to help more students reach their potential.

Our children may be too young to fully understand what we are doing here right now but their futures are directly affected by the positive experiences we as students have whilst at DMU.

Firstly we need university run crèche facilities. The university has a duty to students and staff here at DMU. Imagine the comfort and peace of mind relating to childcare, especially whilst parents are enhancing their education for their children.

Secondly I pledge to continue my campaign for increased parking facilities to include student parking. There is a distinct lack of parking spaces at or near the university, the park and ride is not meeting demand. This leads to added costs that need addressing.

Thirdly, I will campaign for timetable changes such as later start times for seminars and prompter release of timetables to support those with childcare, work and personal needs that increase due to the late release of timetables.

I am about action not words. I have already supported students in the role of Mature Students' Rep this year and I have also applied to triple the Frontrunners for mature students to develop mature student representation.