

FRESHERS

2023

**Welcome to the
OU Students Association
and Freshers Fortnight**

Code of Conduct

for OU Students Association Events

By taking part in our online events, you agree to abide by our code of conduct, below. Please take a moment to read it before attending one of our events.

1. We ask you to show respect to your volunteer hosts and fellow attendees - we want everyone to feel safe and welcome to participate in this space.
2. We have zero tolerance to bullying and harassment. See our [Values and Behaviour Policy](#).
3. We are dedicated to providing a welcoming and friendly experience for everyone, regardless of gender, gender identity and expression, age, sex, sexual orientation, disability, neurodiversity, physical appearance, body size, race, ethnicity, religion (or lack thereof), technology choices, or any other characteristic or belief.
4. We want you to be aware that the [University's Computing Code of Conduct](#) is applicable in this space.

Attendees who are not willing to respect the spirit of our events will be asked to leave or removed by our hosts. If you have any concerns about behaviour in an event, or if you'd like to talk to the host, or someone from the community team before coming to an event, please don't hesitate to contact us at oustudents-community@open.ac.uk.

Have fun and enjoy yourselves.



About the Association

- Formed in 1972
- [Student Led Organisation](#)
- Supported by approximately 40 staff members
- All OU Students are automatically members
- Our [mission](#): *'To make a positive difference for all OU Students'*
- Work with the OU underpinned by an [OU/Students Association Relationship Agreement](#)



About the Association



Text OU to 85258

for free and confidential support, 24/7



Get involved



Keep up to date with us on our website oustudents.com, [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [TikTok](#), our [newsletters](#) and our online magazine [The Hoot](#)



50 Years of the OU Students Association



Your Student Leadership Team

- Elected by OU Students
- 19 Members
- These include remit specific; faculty specific; and region specific roles.
- Led by the President and supported by the Deputy President
- All volunteer positions with the exception of the President and Deputy President
- Provide strategic leadership and are the 'face' of the Association



Meet the Student Leadership Team



President:
Margaret Greenaway



Deputy President:
Gareth Jones



Kara Chiana Dique

Student Member of Council:
Kara Chiana Dique



Vice President
Administration:
Michael Bryan



Vice President Community:
Cazzandra Flowers



Natalie Baker

Vice President Equality
Diversity & Inclusion:
Natalie Baker



Vice President Education:
Laura Marulanda-Carter



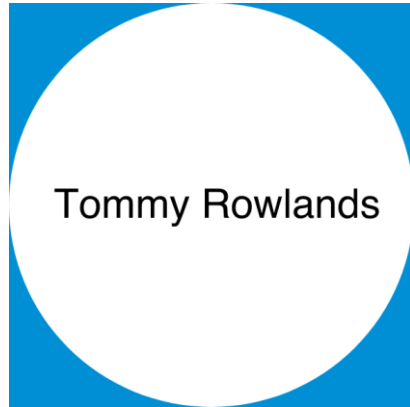
Vice President
Engagement:
Lou Robinson

Vice President
Student Support:
Vacant



Meet the Student Leadership Team

Faculty Representatives



Arts & Social Sciences:
Tommy Rowlands



Business & Law:
Benjamin Mansell



Open & Access:
Katherine Murphy



Science, Technology,
Engineering and Maths:
Nigel Patterson



Wellbeing, Education and
Language Studies:
Nichola Connolly

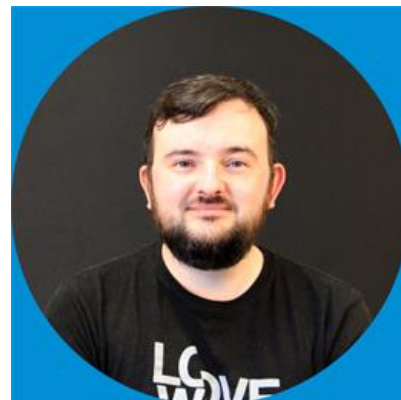
Area Representatives



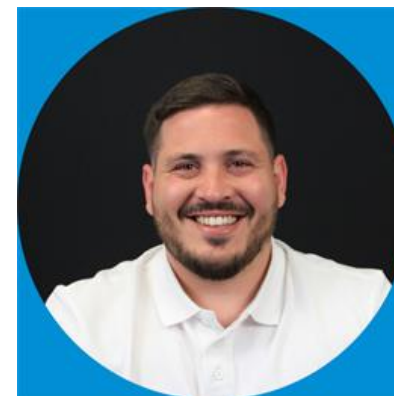
England: Elizabeth Scully



Ireland: Stephen Hughes



Scotland: Paul Reid



Wales: Raed Townsend



International: Mohai Eddine Hadit



Freshers: what's on Week 1

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WEEK 1

ALL TIMES ARE IN GMT

**MONDAY 23
JANUARY**

6-7pm
Welcome to
Freshers

7:30-8:30pm
OU Law Society
guest speaker

**TUESDAY 24
JANUARY**

1-2pm Personal
Learning Advice
Service

3-4pm Mental
Wellbeing

7-8pm Societies
and Clubs Fair

**WEDNESDAY
25 JANUARY**

2-3pm Mindapples

6-7pm OU Law
Society BARBRI
SQE prep

7:30-9pm North
West online Meet-
Up

8-9pm OU Pride
Quiz

**THURSDAY 26
JANUARY**

11am-Noon EDI and
Student Welfare Team
Welcome

2-3pm Disabled
Students Group Q&A

6-7pm Community
Drop-In

7-8pm a Volunteer's
Journey

**FRIDAY 27
JANUARY**

1-2pm Lunch with
the OU Law Society

5-6:30pm Disabled
Students Group
Drop-In

6:30-7:30pm OU
Bereaved Students
Meet-Up

**SATURDAY 28
JANUARY**

11am-Noon England
Meet-and-Greet

6-7pm OU Dyslexia
Club Introduction

7-7:30pm
University
Challenge Team vs
OU Staff

**SUNDAY 29
JANUARY**

7-8pm Mental
Wellbeing
Online Meet-
Up



Freshers: what's on Week 2

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WEEK 2

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**MONDAY 30
JANUARY**

Noon-12:30pm
Knowing what to
trust online

7-8pm WELS
Drop-In

7-8:30pm OU
Law Society
guest speaker

**TUESDAY 31
JANUARY**

2-3pm Have
your say

6-7:15pm
Propaganda in
Europe's 20th
Century

7-8pm STEM
Faculty Rep Q&A

**WEDNESDAY 1
FEBRUARY**

12:30-2pm
Grandparents
Club Drop-In

6-7pm Personal
Learning Advice
Service

7-8pm OU Law
Society guest
speaker

**THURSDAY 2
FEBRUARY**

Noon-1pm
Careers and
Employability
Services

6-7pm
Community
Drop-In

**FRIDAY 3
FEBRUARY**

7-8pm Pagan,
Witches and
Spirituality
Club Moot

7-8:30pm
Bingo!

**SATURDAY 4
FEBRUARY**

10-11am Coffee
and Chat

10am-2pm
Enlightenment
literature: liberal
values

10-11:30am
Edinburgh Face-
to-Face Meet-Up

**SUNDAY 5
FEBRUARY**

7-8pm Mental
Wellbeing
Online Meet-up

8-9pm
Women's
Engineering
Society
Freshers Event



Freshers: Competitions and prize draws

Academic Resolutions Prize Draw:

- Submit an academic resolution for the year ahead and sign up to our monthly newsletter to be in with a chance of winning a bundle of goodies from the OU Students Shop!
- Opens at 12pm (GMT) on Thursday 26 January 2023 and closes at 11pm (GMT) on Sunday 5 February 2023.

Freshers Freebies Prize Draw:

- Up to 250 can win some branded goodies from the OU Students Association! Just complete the form when it opens and sign up to our monthly newsletter.
- Opens at 12pm (GMT) on Friday 27 January 2023 and closes at 11pm (GMT) on Sunday 5 February 2023.

For more competitions and full information, opening and closing dates and T&Cs, see our [Freshers site](#).



Any questions?

You can find your [Student Leadership Team's contact details](#) on our website



Thank you!

Keep an eye on our [Freshers website](#) for our Feedback Survey and more competitions with prizes on offer!

Keep up to date with your Association on our website oustudents.com, [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [TikTok](#), our [newsletters](#) and our online magazine [The Hoot](#)

