

# SU Elections 2019: Positions

- Students' Union President (0.6)
- Vice President of the School of Design (0.6)
- Vice President of the School of Media (0.6)

All positions are part-time requiring you to work 21 hours a week. You will be paid £13,000 a year.

# Why Stand for Elections?

There are as many reasons to run for election as there are positions - probably more! The main reasons that people stand in elections usually boil down to one or more of the following:

# Something you care about...

In some cases there is a particular role that you feel would suit you, for instance, as someone who cares about education, representation, engagement and overall student welfare you might stand for the post of President, or if you love your school, care about education and representation and passionate about either sustainability, welfare, activities and participation or campaigns, maybe you'll stand as the Vice President for your School. There are loads of opportunities for students to get involved in the things that matter to them, so check out the full range of positions available in the Union.

# Personal development...

We all like a challenge, and employers like students who have challenged themselves. Standing in an election whilst at University shows that you're an active, engaged person who is willing to put themselves forward for things. Not only will this reflect well on you, you're likely to find that it helps you to discover new skills and greater confidence. Plus, if you win the election you will be working as part of a team to deliver certain goals, giving you a wealth of experience to drawn upon in interviews.

# Getting to know new people...

When you're elected as a Union officer, a large part of the role is about working with others, often in small groups and with a real sense of shared purpose. Committees often have social events in addition to their usual meetings and many students find that they make lasting friendships by meeting like-minded others after being elected. Running a campaign is also a good excuse to get out there and talk to people you might not otherwise come across.

So, whether you think your CV is a little light, or you're looking to widen your social circle, standing in an election is the first step to a range of personal, professional and social benefits.