


University of Limerick Students' Union

Non-Sabbatical Officer Reports For UGMs

Academic Year	2016/2017
Date	12 th Oct 2016
	Week 6 Semester 1
Position:	Equal Opportunities Chairperson
Name:	Liam Gleeson
Profile Picture:	
<p>INTRODUCTION TO MY ROLE</p> <p>Hey! My name is Liam Gleeson. I am the Equal Opportunities Chairperson for this year! The role of the Equal Opportunities Interest Group is to ensure each student in UL is treated with respect and dignity, and has the same opportunities available to them, despite their race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, and everything in between. The Equal Opportunities Committee is comprised of 6 members- Ciara Kelleher (Equal Opportunities Councillor), Mary Ellen O'Keefe (Mature Student Councillor), James O'Connor (Disabilities Councillor), Aoife O'Brien (Home International Councillor), and Francesca Lütje (Visiting International Councillor).</p>	
<p>Current objectives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Equality Week- Have a meeting with advisors from minority groups in UL (out in UL, Fem Soc etc.) - Discussion and implementation of events for Equality Week - Gender Neutral Bathrooms- Equal Opportunities Councillor and Disability Councillor getting involved with this. 	
<p>MEETINGS ATTENDED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Exec Meeting (weeks 1-5) (Total 10 Hours) - Student Council (Week 4) (Total 2 Hours) - Student Services Committee Meeting (Total 2 Hours) - Equal Opportunities Interest Group Committee Meeting (Total 1.5 hours) - Total= 15.5 Hours 	

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Discussion on parking expenses for students (Particularly mature students who have to leave campus multiple times during the day.)
- Look at the current Orientation Programme for incoming first years, and making this more wheelchair-friendly.

GIFTS RECEIVED

N/A

EXPENSES CLAIMED

N/A

PLANS for the coming year

- Equality Week- Have a strong influence on the events held for Equality Week
- Link in frequently with minority groups in UL, and ensure they are not being marginalised during their time in UL.
- Look at the current structure of Orientation Programme- This is not working for wheelchair users. Promotional video will be launched on week 10 (Equality Week) to highlight the difficulties of getting around campus in a wheelchair.
- Introduction of a new parking system for people leaving campus throughout the day, some of whom are paying €12 per day on parking.
- Get in a Paralympian to give a talk during Equality Week (Committee to contact Jason Smyth)

Signed by the Officer:

Submitted on (date): 07/10/16

Verified by a member of the Executive/ Oversight Committee:



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