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**Course: Illustration**

**Year: Three**



**What is the main change you want to see at NUA?**

I'd love to introduce an NUA Market Stall so all students and graduates can have a chance to sell their work, increasing links in the industry and getting students work noticed! I also want NUA to have a bigger sense of community, and to bridge the gap between local businesses and NUA by having more events with Elm, Strangers, Lisa Angel – through Freshers and other events throughout the year.

**What skills and experience do you bring to the role that make you the best candidate?**

I'm super friendly and approachable and a great listener. I want students to know when they come to me with a problem, I will ensure their voices are heard. I've spent the past year acting as student rep, meaning I already have a strong understanding of the problems which face students and what things need to be changed. I've also been a PAL mentor, where I helped students when they were finding it tough and nurturing them to reach their maximum potential. I'm hardworking and organised and love being around people!

**What are your objectives for your year in office?**

There should be more specific support for students who are struggling with gender identity and coming out, I'd like to work with student support to deliver a more tailored approach to the support students receive. I'd also like to see more guidance for students when it comes to part time jobs and zero-hour contracts – so that students aren't being taken advantage of in the workplace.

I'd also like to have more diversity within speakers and lecturers. I'd like to build upon what NUA are already doing to be as sustainable as possible, making our University one of the greenest in England. Period products also need to be consistently replenished.

The wellbeing of our students needs to be a main focus, where students are shown how to cook healthy meals on a budget, shown places where it's cheap/free to do exercise. I'd like to see more workshops on how to cope with mental health.

I want there to be an organised platform where all visiting lectures are noted, and students can attend what they're interested in.



A kettle and microwave in the SU Lounge so you can get to know fellow students while reheating last night's takeaway!

**What policies would you deliver if you became Students' Union President?**

I want to make sure all NUA students are being heard, from making sure that everyone has access to all of the facilities to making sure enough money is being invested in the mental health of our students. I want NUA students to be taken care of and felt like their money is going directly into what they want to get out of their University experience.

Having more trips around the UK, having a platform to collaborate creatively on projects with students from other art's universities and within NUA.

I'm really keen on organising an NUA taking on LCR night – a chance for us to have a big club night out.

**What would you want to be remembered for after you completed your year as President?**

The person that got a microwave / kettles in the uni - and also opened an NUA market stall in the city.