NUS UK and NUS Scotland Conference Delegates: Role Description

What would I be doing?

As the Students’ Association’s delegate at NUS UK or NUS Scotland Conference, you’d be responsible for representing the views of Edinburgh students to the wider student movement and the leadership of the National Union of Students.

You’ll need to work with our other delegates to gather feedback from students across the University and identify potential conferences motions. Once the conference agendas have been published, you’ll need to conduct research into student opinion and existing Students’ Association policy, to inform how you vote at the conference.

Why should I stand?

Attending NUS conferences is a great way to meet students from across the country, find out about student-led projects and campaigns at other universities and colleges, and shape the political direction of the National Union of Students.

From debating motions on student housing, single-use plastics, and postgraduate students who teach, to voting for the new NUS Officer team, last year’s NUS Conference Delegates had a real impact on NUS and you could continue that work.

What would be expected of me?

By standing as a NUS Conference Delegate, you’re committing to attending the relevant NUS conference on the following dates:

- NUS Scotland Conference: March 19th to March 20th 2020
- NUS UK Conference: March 31st to April 2nd 2020

There will always be opportunities to take on additional responsibilities, but we’d be looking for you to do the following:

- Gather feedback from students across the University – utilising your own networks, as well as our Elected and Programme Representatives – to identify potential conference motions
- Research student opinion and existing Students’ Association policy to inform how you vote at the conference

What support would I get?

We want to help you get the most out of your role, so we offer the following support to our NUS Conference Delegates:
• Comprehensive training and briefing sessions to help you prepare for conference
• Support from our Democracy and Campaigns Coordinator Grace, who can offer practical support and advice relating to your role

What if I have questions?

If you’d like to know more about the role, or want to check something before standing, just email elections@eusa.ed.ac.uk and we’ll get back to you as soon as possible.

Once you’ve nominated yourself, we can also arrange for you to sit down with a relevant staff member to discuss your campaign.