

# ACTIVITY ZONE

## Vice-President Activity

Full-Time, Paid Role



The Vice-President Activity (VP Activity) is the full-time officer who leads on encouraging students to get involved in something extra-curricular of their studies, for their personal growth and individual development. A Sabbatical position is a full-time employed role at the Union, and as a member of the staff team, Sabbatical Officers are expected to uphold the values and culture of the Students' Union.

### Team Surrey

This officer sits on the SSP Board alongside the Union President to contribute to the future strategy of sport at the University. The VP Activity also meets with the senior Surrey Sports Park management to ensure that the facility retains a focus on student sport. This VP works to solve any issues raised by Team Surrey clubs through the Team Surrey Chair and ensure there is adequate support from Union staff, for Sports Clubs.

### Society Activity

The VP Activity encourages students to take part in Society activity and work with the Societies Chair to support Societies in achieving their aims. The VP Activity also works to ensure that Societies understand which area of the Union can support them and work with other Union officers where necessary e.g. AGMs, Committee Training etc.

### Engagement

The VP Activity works to identify where there are barriers to students taking part in the activities they enjoy. They will also work to encourage students to take part in physical activity and society activity for their individual development and wellbeing. The Activity Zone will also work with the Support Zone on any wellbeing campaigns that have an activity engagement focus. This VP is also responsible for recognising the contribution made by students engaged in activities, at events such as Colours Ball and Union Ball.

### Employability

The VP Activity works alongside Team Surrey and Union staff to develop committee training for sports club and societies. This training is provided to help committees understand their roles within in their respective groups and to enhance their employability. The VP works closely with the University's Careers and Employability department to implement the Union's Employable Me initiative and provide opportunities for all students.

### University Committee Roles

Each of the full time sabbatical officers sits on several University Committee meetings, making decisions at the highest level and having a real impact on the student experience. The VP Activity is a member of: Health and Safety Consultative Committee, one Faculty Education and Teaching Committee, Team Surrey Executive Committee and the University Students' Union Committee.

### Union Committee Roles

The VP Activity sits on a number of Union Committees including: Transport Committee (Chair), Activity Zone Committee (Chair), Board of Trustees, Finance Committee, Management Committee, HR Committee, Health & Safety Committee & the Union Forum

### University Panel Member

All full-time sabbaticals become University Panel Members, joining senior University staff to make decisions regarding the outcomes of students' academic appeals, complaints, disciplinary hearings, fitness to study and fitness to practice. Officers receive full training and support with this role.

## Union Campaigns

All Sabbatical Officers work together to deliver key Union projects and campaigns over the year to benefit students and to promote the representative work of the Union. These include projects such as Moving-In Weekend and SurreyDecides, and key campaigns such as Black History Month and LGBT+ History Month. As a Sabbatical Officer team, working together to support these key points in the Union calendar is an important part of this role, in addition to enacting their own manifestos.

## Activity Zone Committee Members

Part-Time, Voluntary

**Each Zone is led by the respective Vice-President, assisted by a committee of five part-time student officers. All members of the Activity Zone work to develop student activities, increase participation, promoting ways to connect with other students and to keep active, and provide extra-curricular development to all students.**

**Within the Activity Zone structure, the Team Surrey Chair and Societies Chair have additional distinct responsibilities. These two positions are elected separately to the other Activity Zone Committee members in stand-alone elections, so students interested in these roles will need to stand for these positions specifically, rather than for the general role of Zone Committee Member.**

### Team Surrey Chair (X 1)

The Team Surrey Chair is a part-time officer, part of the Activity Zone Committee. As a member of the Activity Zone, the Team Surrey Chair represents and promotes the interests of Sports Club members in engaging with Team Surrey, and attends Union Forum as a voting member. Further responsibilities include chairing monthly Sports Standings, inviting clubs to attend, developing the agenda, and accepting any apologies. Finally, they sit on Transport Committee and the Team Surrey Executive Committee alongside the VP Activity, representing students' sporting needs at the highest level.

### Surrey Societies Chair (X 1)

The Societies Chair is a part-time officer, part of the Activity Zone Committee. As a member of the Activity Zone, the Societies Chair represents and promotes the interests of Union Society members, and attends Union Forum as a voting member. Further responsibilities include attending Transport Committee and chairing monthly Society Standings, inviting societies to attend, developing the agenda, and accepting any apologies. Finally, they take a lead role in the development of societies by driving their success and working with VP Activity and VP Community to bring society leaders together through events and showcases.

### Activity Zone Committee (X 3)

There are three part time officer roles within the Activity Zone Committee, who work as a team on all responsibilities of the Activity Zone. Members of the Activity Zone will work together on the aims of the Zone and will work to enact their own manifestos. The Activity Zone Members attend Union Forum as voting members.

## Union Campaigns

All Officers have the opportunity to participate in key Union projects and campaigns over the year which benefit students and promote the representative work of the Union. These include projects such as Moving-In Weekend and SurreyDecides, and key campaigns such as Black History Month and LGBT+ History Month. All officers are asked where possible to support these key points in the Union calendar, in addition to enacting their own manifestos.

### Interested in running? Nominate yourself!

If you have read the details on this page and are interested in standing as either a part-time or full-time officer, visit [ussu.co.uk/surreydecides](https://ussu.co.uk/surreydecides) and nominate yourself.