



Welcome From The Student Officers

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President
International

Harsha

President
Education

Blessing

President
Wellbeing



Students' Union briefing to the Board of Governors

May 2025

Officer Team



The current Student Officer team (pictured above) complete their term in office and leave the organisation towards the end of June. As this is the final briefing featuring them, we wanted to take the opportunity to focus on their most notable collective and individual highlights in 2024/25. The below is obviously not an exhaustive list!



Harsha Chikatla (President Education and Chair of the Board of Trustees) has...

- Worked closely with staff in the Students' Union and the University to help students be more academically successful and minimise their chances of having issues with academic misconduct and their attendance.
- Focused on developments in the use of Artificial intelligence (AI) in academic work and help to develop guidance for students on this.
- Gathered feedback from Course and School Reps and grassroots students through Meet the President Education sessions.



Blessing Ihuoma (President Wellbeing and Governor) has...

- Delivered weekly Students Supporting Students sessions giving students from all backgrounds a chance to share advice, experiences and ideas while widening their friendship circle.
- Provided support to students with accommodation issues, the cost of living and general wellbeing.
- Worked with staff in the University to develop a comprehensive new mental health strategy based on feedback from students about their current challenges and experiences and how they want both organisations to support them going forward.

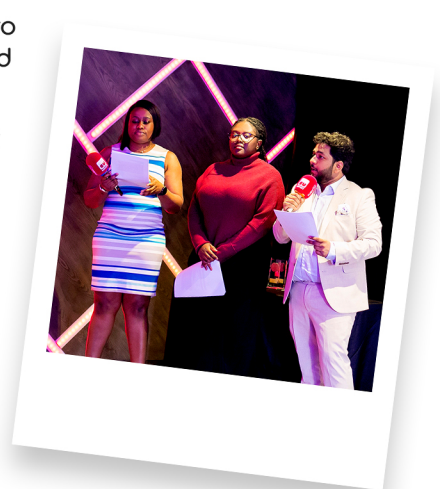


Ebubechi Azunna (President International and Governor) has...

- Worked with staff, student reps and societies to encourage greater cultural exchange and integration amongst student groups and deliver memorable related events including cultural attire and valentines themed sessions.
- Worked with staff to develop societies, particularly those focused on international students and their experiences and interests.
- Worked with the University to gather feedback from students on the financial challenges they face, and experiences placement students have reported then address any areas for improvements.

They have all responded to student feedback by...

- Working with staff to make this year's Societies and Student Reps recognition events more inclusive and informal culminating in two memorable events in early April where outstanding individuals and groups were recognised.
- Worked with the University to improve student understanding of the importance of responding to finance related correspondence and limit the chances of them encountering issues linked to Tuition Fee payments.
- Reached out to students at the TU London campus in person and online to gather and relay their feedback on the experience they enjoy and provide, or sign post them to support they need.
- Worked with the University and Student Reps to look at the best approach to the availability of buildings after 6 pm at weekends. The decisions announced earlier this year were heavily based on the feedback we gathered.
- Played a key role in a range of university committees where important policy decisions are taken and successfully raised issues about assignment word limits, the temperature of some buildings over the winter period and the potential for a shuttle bus service between the Middlesbrough and Darlington campuses following enquiries from students who study at both or have to commute from one to the other regularly for their studies.



THE STUDENT OFFICERS

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Student Officers Elect

We are confident their successors will achieve just as much in 2025/26! Sai Dorapally (President Education Elect), Ganesh Poshala (President International Elect) and Clinton Aideloje (President Wellbeing Elect) take office from Tuesday, 1st July.

We will have lots more about them in the next update while two of the team will attend Board of Governors meetings next year. In the meantime, tees-su.org.uk/officersselect has information about their background, why they ran for their roles and what they hope to achieve.