

Queen's University Belfast Students' Union

Full-Time Student Officer Report

Role: Student Officer Equality and Diversity

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Period: January

Introduction:

As Equality & Diversity Officer, my role is divided between making sure that internally, students are receiving a quality education regardless of any protected characteristics in equality legislation (e.g. age, race, gender etc.), and that externally students feel safe, welcome, and included in their communities no matter their identity.

Activity	Description
LGBT History Month prep	<p>Myself, and committee members of the Pride Soc had a number of meetings planning the schedule of events for the coming month.</p> <p>The schedule of events will be revealed early February.</p>
EMpower 2.0 prep	<p>After attending the USI EMpower event in Dublin November, I had discussions with the USI Coiste Gnó about bringing the event up the North as I felt it would resonate well with our international and ethnically diverse students.</p> <p>The event is geared towards encouraging ethnically diverse students to take up positions of power and influence in their unions, clubs and socs and society in general.</p> <p>We hope to bring this event to the SU building in mid-February, making it a 2 day event as opposed to the original 1 day event. Hoping to capture the success of Pink Training as a conference.</p>
Westminster Student Manifesto Launch	<p>At the end of the month, I went with an NSoA (National Society of Apprentices) representative and the NUS-USI President to Westminster for the launch of the NUS student manifesto.</p>

	<p>There I got the opportunity to talk with MPs and other interest groups and stakeholders about pressing student issues. The key themes of the 'Manifesto for Our Future' were Housing, Health and Funding.</p>
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