

## Queen's University Belfast Students' Union

### Full-Time Student Officer Report

Role: Student Officer Equality and Diversity

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Introduction:

As the Equality and Diversity Student Officer at the Students' Union, my role is to advocate for an inclusive and supportive environment where all students, regardless of background or identity, feel represented and valued. I work closely with various teams across the Queen's and Queen's Students' Union to make sure students' voice is heard. Through campaigns, events, and initiatives, I aim to foster a campus culture that celebrates equality and empowers students from all walks of life.

Activity	Description
Black History Month Closing Event	I collaborated with Queen's staff on the Black History Month closing event at the SU foyer. We provided over 100 free African meals to students and played African music at this event. The turnout was great, and it offered a fantastic opportunity for students to experience African culture.
Student's Union Council 2nd	I attended the second student council meeting with the Student Officer team and the SU Voice team. During this meeting, I presented my officer report from July to October. We also discussed the ideas submitted on the SU website and approved those ideas.
University Management Board	I attended the University Management Board meeting and presented the Students' Union 2025-2030 Strategic Plan with my team. In the meeting, we had discussions with university staff about the plan and presented our management's current resources from the university, as well as expectations for the future.
Liberation Collective Workshop with NUS	I co-organized the liberation workshop with NUS. The Liberation Officer and staff from NUS explained how the Liberation Collective works across the UK. We had students and officers from Ulster join us for the conversation. In the workshop, we listed the relevant groups in Belfast that could be stakeholders in the liberation workshop. It was also a great opportunity for us to share our campaign ideas.

Women in Leadership: Looking to the Future	I chaired the Women in Leadership panel with three Clinton Scholars. In this panel, we had a conversation about their experiences in New York this summer as part of the Insight Program. I also had the chance to share my own experience on how I developed my leadership skills throughout my journey at Queen's.
Swap Shop	I volunteered at the SU Swap Shop. It has been open for 4 weeks, and everything has been going well. I greeted and met with students to introduce how the Swap Shop works. I assisted students in swapping items, as well as labelling the donated and swapped items at the shop.
Student Affairs Team Meeting	I attended a meeting where I gave a presentation on the SU Swap Shop. I introduced the Swap Shop and our sustainable initiatives to university staff and encouraged them to donate items to the Swap Shop.
Students' Union Management Board	I attended the Students' Union Management Board meeting. As a team, we presented the strategic plan to members and shared the feedback we received from students on the current plan. The association chair and representatives also joined the meeting to share their thoughts.