



Student Trustee

ROLE DESCRIPTION

**GSA E-LECTIONS
2020**



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STUDENT TRUSTEE

Student Trustees sit on the Board of Trustees at the GSA. Trustees are not be involved in day-to-day affairs, but take an overview of how the GSA is performing, both financially and in delivering services to students.

The overall role of the Trustees is to ensure that the GSA is well run, meeting its aims and working within the legal and constitutional framework laid down.

There are twelve Trustees: the four elected officers; three elected students; and five external Trustees appointed for their specialist knowledge in areas such as law and finance to provide independent expertise for the Board.

WHO CAN STAND FOR THIS ROLE?

All continuing postgraduate students studying at the University of York may stand.

TIME COMMITMENT

Minimum 4 meetings - these take place in the evenings after 5pm.

DURATION

1 year post, with possibility of extension for a 2nd year on re-election.

BENEFITS:

- Develop skills which are great for your CV, especially if you are interested in the NGO/charity sector
- Learn new things including management of finances, people and strategy, as well as charity law and fundraising
- Receive a full induction to learn more about the charity and the role of Trustee
- Make a difference - you will give input to key decisions such as fundraising, future direction, structure of the organisation
- Meet new people!
- Help the Graduate Students' Association and York students!
- Have fun!

GENERAL DUTIES:

- Attend about 4 Board meetings a year, as well as one or more training/induction sessions
- Attend any sub-committees to which you are appointed
- Prepare for Board meetings by reading through materials and Board papers beforehand
- Keep in regular contact by email and phone with the other Trustees and provide feedback and input on issues when they arise