LILA BOUGHIDA (VICE PRESIDENT, ACTIVITIES)



A Vote for Lila is a vote for a VP, Activities who values student experience and understands the spirit of the Activities Zone.

My name is Lila Boughida and I am running for your Vice President, Activities for the academic year 2021-2022. Moving to England for my studies was great but joining a society and a sports team was what made the whole university experience enjoyable. I made incredible connections and developed my competitive spirit. I am currently Social Media Officer of the Polo team and I have been on the committee previously as Social Secretary. This year was tough and through it all teams and societies have proven how valuable they are for the student experience of Winchester. I want to ensure every student gets to experience what it is to be part of the Activities Zone, allowing students to socialize and exercise again, making sure their health and well-being is truly valued. The relationships and connections created during our time at University and made in sports teams, societies and social networks are what kept us afloat.

All groups have shown great creativity since last March. Charity challenges like the NHS 'Run to Porec' were being relayed, uniting teams and societies and showing the values of the SU. By creating new ways of entertaining and nurturing our skills and passions we showed how much we love being a part of this community. This sense of unity is what I want to continue working towards.

I want to work on our community as one cohort, as students should never feel alone at Winchester. Our presence online was the best way to stay connected, it needs to keep developing. All groups need to be seen across the University and across the SU Social Media Platforms, make sure they are represented and recognize. There is something for everyone and we need to make sure students know about it. My goals are to:

Be seen and be heard

- Interact with as much teams and societies as I possibly can by publicising events, sports fixing, performances etc. Give a platform to showcase Winchester's talents, ambitions and values.
- Advertising all teams, societies and networks by using the SU platforms and encouraging
 the groups to actively use theirs (provide SU professional images of all groups). It will help
 to be seen on and off campus to increase member intake and show all groups are valued
 and celebrated.

Growing connections between sports teams, societies and networks.

- Develop opportunities for sports teams and societies to work together and challenge each other. It would stimulate member's engagement, increase team spirit and unite Team Winchester.
- Continue campaigns such as This Girl Can and Boys Do Cry. Develop challenges and charity campaigns like 'Run to Porec'. Focusing on including as many groups as possible and increasing participation in Union led activities.
- Recognition of all societies and sports team. Reward and celebrate achievements. Get back to
 previous 'celebrating success initiatives' and events put in place (society in the spotlight, Colours,
 team/society/network of the week etc.) and create new ones in the hopes of raising interest in
 all of the societies, sports teams and network present.