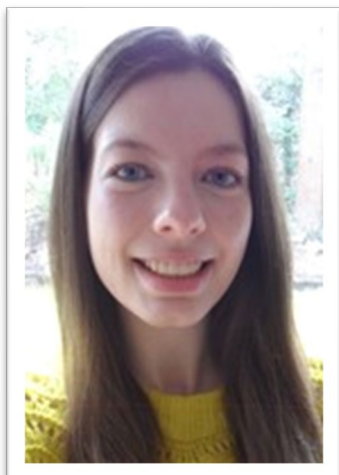


GRACE NASH-WILLIAMS

(VICE PRESIDENT, EDUCATION & WELFARE)



Championing your rights and your voice, so that you are able to thrive, **Vote Grace** to be your **Vice President, Education and Welfare**.

I am a third year BSc Geography student and have been a Student Academic Representative (StAR) for three years. I Chair our Student-Staff Liaison Committee (SSLC) meetings and I thoroughly enjoy elevating the voices of Geography students. It brings me huge satisfaction to know that I contribute to improving the course by acting upon feedback and supporting the changes that students propose. Now, I am determined to ensure that all 8000+ students are heard, so that they can get the very best out of their time at Winchester.

MY PRIORITIES:

Education:

1. **Review the 40% cap on late submissions.** I will push for the cap to be removed and for incremental penalties to be introduced e.g., a 10% penalty for every day that passes from the original deadline.
2. **Lobby and work with the University to reinstate No Detriment Measures if significant COVID-19 restrictions occur next academic year.** I would push for the Enhanced Extenuating Circumstances and Uncapped Second Attempt Policies to return, along with grade-based measures if deemed appropriate in the circumstances.

Welfare:

1. **Introduce Wellbeing Representatives (one per year group, per course -similar to a StAR).** Wellbeing Reps would attend SSLC meetings alongside StARs, so that wellbeing related feedback from each cohort can be directly shared with Programme Leaders and the SU.
2. **Create a Campaign on Student Loneliness.** Many students have felt isolated and lonely, this year especially. I want to help reduce the stigma around loneliness as well as creating and promoting events that enable students to meet new people and form new connections.
3. **Return of Recharge Days.** Restrictions permitting, it is a priority of mine to bring back on-campus Recharge Days as they provide a great way to take time out and focus on your wellbeing.

Representation:

1. **Work with the University to launch the online 'Unitu' Student Voice Platform, to receive real time feedback on your experience, so that suggestions and issues can be efficiently acted upon.** If this is not possible, I will send short surveys regularly via email, so that you have the option to anonymously give feedback about your education and welfare priorities, ideas and concerns.
2. **Engage with Representational Networks (if welcomed by network members).** So that education and welfare feedback from underrepresented student groups can be listened to and acted upon.
3. **Propose a Parents and Carers Representational Network and Student Senate position.** This year has highlighted the challenges of studying whilst also being a parent and/or carer. Therefore, I would like to create a dedicated Network and Representative for parent and carer students, with the aim of providing greater support for this student group and representing their views at a higher level.

Whilst I cannot know what next year will bring, I can say for certain that if elected, I will stand up for what is *right* and I will spend every day advocating for you- your education, your welfare, your rights, and your voice.