

Vice President International Report for July 2020

Meetings

During this month, I attended various committee meetings to contribute on how International students would be supported and I provided a checklist to one of the committee's which contained information on items International students may require before arrival, during their period of Isolation and after. I have also been in discussions to know how students would be supported with Airport pickups to ensure safety precautions are adhered to.

Office Time

My time in office was spent to complete allocated online trainings, reading papers from meetings I attended, preparing De-brief notes, sending and responding to emails on time. I am still undergoing training with the other Sabbatical officers and getting introduced to various departments in the University. On Friday 10th July I had a meeting via Teams with one of our International student who had previously lodged a complaint. The student and I had a discussion and recommended ideas on how to ensure that students receive better and accessible services from the Students union. I want to hear from students, I want to be engaged with your opinions and get your feedback to make your experience a better one.

International Students Association

I have met with the ISA officer and the committee members to talk about plans for the year and how students would be supported to be more engaged and integrate with home students. The ISA committee is gathering feedback from students on their concerns about returning to University in October so students can be supported appropriately.

Social Media

I received social media training on 9th July which has now given me access to my Instagram and Twitter account. I intend to use these platforms to be more interactive and engaged with students as much as possible. I have made a few posts already and have spoken to some students on the platform who shared their concerns about returning to University in October. Do follow me at [ulsuinternational](#) on Instagram and [ulsu_inter](#) on twitter to keep you updated on the Socials.

Plans Ahead

I am still working on my Operational plan with staff support which would be used throughout the year in executing my tasks and also measuring my performance. I intend to work with my other Sabbatical leaders, ISA committee and other volunteer officers in providing support to International students to feel at home and welcomed here in Lincoln. I would be working with the other sabbatical officers and student support to run a campaign on Harassment, Hate crime Awareness and encourage students to report such incidents.