

UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN STUDENTS' UNION

Vice President – International report

Introduction

In the last month, with time GOATing with international students, organizing trips and events, doing the drop-ins with International Friend volunteers as well as take part in the activities e.g. Children In Need funding raising and Student leader Gazebo which are really good opportunities to go out and talk to students.

International Friend update

Recently I have had emails from international students who showed interested in taking part in the SU, which is a good sign means more of them want to get involved. I have reopened the volunteer opportunities to 40, we now have 31/40 of them with 8 new signed up, and my goal is to have 40/40 before Christmas.

I also have started the on campus drop-in program in the DCB and MB for all International Friend volunteers, international students who need support and have questions can talk to International Friend face to face in order to be more approachable for international students.

Christmas Events Plan

Christmas event plans - There are two Christmas event coming up for international students in December, the "International QUIZmas" will be hold on the 13th December by myself and English language centre, as I want to cooperate more with ELC to create more chances for international students to improve English as well as meet friend and celebration Christmas.

International Winter Festival - Also International Christmas fair will be organised on the 4th December in the Engine shed. There will be international students from different countries in the fair to introduce how they celebrate Christmas in their country.

SUggession Update - University hoodies for international students

After communicating with Deputy Vice chancellor Toby Wilkinson, he agreed that in future, international students will be able to collect hoodies at pre-departure meetings in their home countries, those who don't collect them pre-departure will be able to collect them from CDM when they arrive at the University. This is a great news for international students which will be beneficial for them and also can encourage more international students to use SUggession.

International students' trip

On the 4th November, the first international students' trip was organised to take international students to Hull, international students' participation was high and we totally had 77 international students who signed up and get involved with the first trip.

The next trip will be on the 2^{nd} of December and the destination is Liverpool.

Our Vision:

A Students' Union where every Lincoln student has a great experience and is encouraged and assisted to fulfil their potential both at University and in life.

We will ensure what we do is:

QualityNurturingStrongHonestApproachableDynamic

Key Themes from 2017-18 Strategy:

1	Effectively Representing Our Members
2	Providing Independent, Impartial Advice
3	Making Students More Employable and Work Ready
4	Enabling Our Members to Lead Active Lifestyles, Build Friendships, and Grow in Confidence
5	Providing a Diverse Range of Student Led Trips and Events
6	Creating a University of Lincoln Student Community

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (KPI's) (preferably no more than 6)

- 1. Well-developed international welcome induction Including workshop & activities (80% of members satisfied with the welcome induction)
- 2. Enhance programme of cultural events run by the SU 25% of international members take part
- 3. 20% increase of international members on Sports & Societies, 15% on Volunteering
- 4. "You are not alone" theme campaign (40% international members aware)
- 5. 25 trained international friends on "international friends" scheme
- 6. Organise 5 trips that will help international members visit British places of interest, minimum 15 members per trip

Key Theme No	OBJECTIVE (Must be SMART)	ACTION	RESPONSIBILITY	RESOURCES REQUIRED	PROGRESS TO DATE
6	Create a warm welcoming environment and induction for international members. To ensure members are familiar with the whole campus through international campus tour. To organise a welcome party to give students the opportunities to meet students from their own countries as well as integrate with local students.	 International welcome pack Welcome pack includes: Stationaries, welcome party invitation card, promotion for campus tour, QR code of WeChat, Fresher's booklet, sweets Date for sending out welcome packs: 15th – 22nd September – MB, International Arrival Lounge 	SL	Time Marketing & Communication with ER	 International Welcome packs hav and welcome party promotion car Freshers week in the International International Welcome party was Platform with 292 international students
		 International welcome party where students can meet friends and societies from their own country as well as local students. Date: 28th September 19:00 Venue: Platform £3 per student Welcome video from all student leaders for international members with multi language. Time to recruit participants: 17th July – 20th August through Facebook and network Time for filming: 22nd August 15:00 – 17:00. 	SL GS	Platform Budget -Decoration -Food & Drinks -Facilities Society involved: Chinese Society Hong Kong society Vietnam group India group CES (Culture Exchange Session group) EU group	 International Welcome video has involved and shared on social me by students with 1.7k views.

ave been sent out include Freshers booklet card to international students during the nal Arrivals Lounge.

as organised on the 28th September in the students attended.

as been created with international students media (Facebook), which was well received

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	(Must be SMART)	 3. Video will be shared through Facebook, tweeter, WeChat, also will be played before international welcome party Introduce sports & societies committees, school/course reps to the international arrival lounge to meet international members during fresher's week. Drop-in desks in international arrival lounge, providing 300 reference guide International welcome on campus tour, meet outside of students' union/MB Time: 19th, 21st September 16:00 Start from International Arrival Lounge, MB Promotion through social media, information included in welcome pack Route for : MB - Output Mathematical Arrival Course Arrive A	All students leaders ER RX International participates	Marketing & Communication Different nationality students	 Sports and society committees w Boxing, Yoga, Hong Kong society Course reps involved: Phycology Instead of reference guide, library the services and facilities of the li library and pick up the reference Campus tour has been organised
		Swan - MHT - AAD - INB - Library - DCB - SU	TG		
		50			

who have been involved were: Badminton, ety, Dancing as well as Expedition society. gy reps.

ary has provided library leaflet to introduce e library and guide international student to the e book which related to their course.

ed with 14 international students attended.

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			Sports & Societies committees		
	Induction to international students about sports and societies, as well as academic reps in order to increase international members' engagement in these areas, also provide academic support for new international students with reference guide		SL TG Library SL	Desk Reference guides Tour guide and sign Promotion Marketing & Communication	
5	Improve culture integration, create diverse cultural activities for international members by providing events, shows, learning sessions as well as festive celebration.	 Quarterly "This is my country" fair event. To gather different nationality students and create a platform to introduce their countries, economy, environment, geography, population, food, politics, etc. Estimate Month: November February April Take turns by national societies Traditional food provide by each societies 	SL ISA	Society involved: Chinese Society Hong Kong society Vietnam group India group EU group CES	- International Christmas fair will b Engine shed, which is a fair that introduce how they celebrate Ch

II be organised on the 4th December in the at international students will be presented and Christmas in their country.

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		 International movie night monthly, providing different movies from different countries every month in the Platform Start from end of October - May Movies will be voted by students (create a poll on Facebook/ Tweeter) Annual international students singing competition (Karaoke night) Estimate month: early December 	SL	Platform Movie selected Facilities (sofas, bar) Marketing & Communication support	
		 Halloween, Christmas January welcome back party Easter holiday celebration for international members Chinese new year Gala organised by SU and Chinese Society First meeting will be arranged with CSSA during mid- September 		Platform Facilities	 First International Halloween part October with total attendance of

party was hold in the Platform on the 26th of of 70 students.

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	Induct international students into British culture by celebrating British festivals regularly	 Diwali Celebration 23th October (Monday) 17:00-21:00 Engine Shed 	SL ISA GS	Platform	
		 Offer "weekly special" international food in tower bar in February 			
			SL GS CSSA	Engine shed Meetings with CSSA	 Diwali celebration was hold alor Lincoln Chaplaincies on the 23rd local communities took part.
			SL	Marketing and communication support	

longside with Hindu society and University of 3rd of October with over 200 students, staff and

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			International food	
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To encourage international		SL	Video	
when they are in a foreign	for international	CD	Banner	
environment by deliver a	discrimination or	Marketing &	Budget	
movie based on the theme	feeling lonely, Aim is	Communication		
of "You are not alone".	members feel included		Society involved:	
	alone).		Vietnam group	
feel included in the diverse			CES	
-	1. Estimate Month:		EU group	
organization.	from March			
	3. Campaign videos will be			
	encouragement talk			
	societies, photos will be			
	(Must be SMART) (Must be SMART) To encourage international student to be more confident when they are in a foreign environment by deliver a campaign with video/short movie based on the theme of "You are not alone". To support international members and ensure they feel included in the diverse university environment and be heard by the	(Must be SMART) To encourage international student to be more confident when they are in a foreign environment by deliver a campaign with video/short movie based on the theme of "You are not alone". - "You are not alone" Campaign (campaign for international student regarding discrimination or feeling lonely, Aim is to make international members and ensure they feel included in the diverse university environment and be heard by the organization. - "You are not alone". To support international members and ensure they feel included in the diverse university environment and be heard by the organization. - "Student regarding discrimination or feeling lonely, Aim is to make international members feel included within the university environment, no one is alone). 1. Estimate Month: preparation will start from March 2. Campaign will be taken place on April 3. Campaign videos will be combined with 3 stories and ended by an encouragement talk - Banner will be turned to different nationalities	(Must be SMART) GS Image: Construction of the system of the sy	(Must be SMART) REQUIRED (Must be SMART) GS RL REQUIRED (Must be SMART) GS RL International student submethy deliver a campaign with video/short movie based on the theme of "You are not alone". GS RL International student regarding discrimination or feeling lonely, Aim is alone). SL RL Video To encourage international student to be more confident when they are in a foreign environment by deliver a campaign with video/short movie based on the theme of "You are not alone". SL CD marketing & Communication Video To support international members and ensure they feel included in the diverse university environment and be heard by the organization. I. Estimate Month: preparation will start from March SL Campaign will be taken place on April 3. Campaign will be taken place on April 3. Campaign will be turned to different national encouragement talk EU group

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		taken around them and shared to social media 5. Link with VP Welfare & Community campaign			
3	Support international students' English by providing drop in English workshop and provide Employability skill workshop for international students.	 International employability drop-in program launched. Employability on campus drop in 2 times through the academic year Helping with CV writing, advice for finding jobs in the UK 	SL Work ready	Drop in workshop Marketing & Communication support	
		 "Let's Talk" workshop launched, a relaxing drop-in for international members to talk, share and make friends, as well as improve English. 1. Integrate with English language centre, use both social media channel to promote 2. Estimate date: November, February, April 	SL English Language Centre		- The "International QUIZmas" eve alongside with English language

event will be hold on the 13th December ge centre.

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5	Travel is the easiest way and most relaxing way for international students to visit and learn British culture, 5 trips will be organised through the year for international members.	 Day return trips to 5 different locations (5/5 locations will be voted by international members). Trips questionnaires will be sent out to international students at start of the year Promotion through different social media Estimate Month of trips: Oct, Dec, Feb, Mar, and Apr. 1/5 trip will take place in Lincolnshire, 4/5 will take place outside of Lincolnshire Feedback questionnaire will be sent out after each trips 	SL LC LE Marketing & Communication	Coaches Promotion	- The first international students' tr Hull with 77 international student
4	Create a platform and ensure international student have enough books or magazines to read, borrow or swap with each other.	 "International shelf": to launch an international book shelf in the library and ensure international members could borrow and swap the books within their own national languages. 	SL Library KM	Book shelf Materials	- International Bookshelf has been international social learning spac

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