



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.

SUggestion 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 SUggestion.

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 2nd of December and the destination is Liverpool.

AREA: Student Leaders Vice president International OPERATIONAL PLAN 2017/2018

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:

Quality Nurturing Strong Honest Approachable Dynamic

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

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		<p>3. Video will be shared through Facebook, tweeter, WeChat, also will be played before international welcome party</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Time: 19th , 21st September 16:00 2. Start from International Arrival Lounge, MB 3. Promotion through social media, information included in welcome pack 4. Route for : MB - Swan - MHT - AAD - INB - Library - DCB - SU 	<p>All students leaders ER RX International participates</p> <p>SL TG LE Academic reps</p>	<p>Marketing & Communication</p> <p>Different nationality students</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sports and society committees who have been involved were: Badminton, Boxing, Yoga, Hong Kong society, Dancing as well as Expedition society. - Course reps involved: Phycology reps. - Instead of reference guide, library has provided library leaflet to introduce the services and facilities of the library and guide international student to the library and pick up the reference book which related to their course. - Campus tour has been organised with 14 international students attended.

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	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		Sports & Societies committees 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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quarterly “This is my country” fair event. To gather different nationality students and create a platform to introduce their countries, economy, environment, geography, population, <u>food</u>, politics, etc. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Estimate Month: November February April 2. Take turns by national societies 3. Traditional food provide by each societies 	SL ISA	Society involved: Chinese Society Hong Kong society Vietnam group India group EU group CES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - International Christmas fair will be organised on the 4th December in the Engine shed, which is a fair that international students will be presented and introduce how they celebrate Christmas in their country.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - International movie night monthly, providing different movies from different countries every month in the Platform 1. Start from end of October - May 2. Movies will be voted by students (create a poll on Facebook/ Tweeter) - Annual international students singing competition (Karaoke night) 1. Estimate month: early December - Halloween, - Christmas - January welcome back party - Easter holiday celebration for international members - Chinese new year Gala organised by SU and Chinese Society 1. First meeting will be arranged with CSSA during mid-September 	<p>SL</p> <p>SL</p>	<p>Platform</p> <p>Movie selected</p> <p>Facilities (sofas, bar)</p> <p>Marketing & Communication support</p> <p>Platform</p> <p>Facilities</p>	<p>- First International Halloween party was hold in the Platform on the 26th of October with total attendance of 70 students.</p>

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1	<p>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”.</p> <p>To support international members and ensure they feel included in the diverse university environment and be heard by the organization.</p>	<p>- “You are not alone” Campaign (campaign for international student regarding discrimination or feeling lonely, Aim is to make international members feel included within the university environment, no one is alone).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 4. Banner will be turned to different nationalities societies, photos will be 	SL CD Marketing & Communication	<p>Video Banner Budget</p> <p>Society involved: Chinese Society Hong Kong society Vietnam group India group CES EU group</p>	

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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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Day return trips to 5 different locations (5/5 locations will be voted by international members). 1. Trips questionnaires will be sent out to international students at start of the year 2. Promotion through different social media 3. Estimate Month of trips: Oct, Dec, Feb, Mar, and Apr. 4. 1/5 trip will take place in Lincolnshire, 4/5 will take place outside of Lincolnshire 5. Feedback questionnaire will be sent out after each trips 	SL LC LE Marketing & Communication	Coaches Promotion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The first international students' trip was organised on the 4th November to Hull with 77 international students who signed up.
4	Create a platform and ensure international student have enough books or magazines to read, borrow or swap with each other.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - “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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - International Bookshelf has been placed in the DCB ground floor international social learning space.