

UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN STUDENTS' UNION

Vice President International Report

Plans for the first trip & International welcome party

Over the last month, I have been planning for the international welcome party as well as planning the first international students' trip. The international welcome party will take place on the 1st October this year in The Platform to welcome our new members, and the first international students' trip will take place on the 29th September - the destination is IKEA. We will take freshers to IKEA to buy things that they need for their new room. These will be heavily promoted to international students early in September.

Networking - NUS lead and change

In the first week of August, I went to Leeds alongside with Grace (VP Welfare & Community) and Kudzai (SU President) for NUS Lead and Change event. I attended 2nd year sabbatical officers workshops, also, I met the full time international officers from Manchester, Birmingham, we shared our ideas for the year ahead.

I also had a skype meeting with the international officer from Birmingham, we talked about our plans for the year, as well as the issues and barriers that international students may face in our universities.

International Buddy Scheme

The funding proposal of the international Buddy scheme has finished and has been approved by the executive committee, we have sent the funding application form to the UKCISA, and we are now waiting for their response. I also been working with our staff team to review the training of the international students' volunteer roles and the international buddy scheme as well.

International student's hardship fund

After the university confirmed that there will be a £5,000 donation from DR. Jackson used for international students hardship fund support, during the meeting with university funding team, the university also mentioned that this year the university will have about £13,000 fund for international students who need financial support.

GOATing with international students

In the last week, I was invited to KDU Malaysia exchange students' mini graduation ceremony and listened to their speeches and had lunch with them, the students all expressed that they had a great time when studying in Lincoln.

The five weeks Pre-English session English students arrived on the 6th August, there are 45 of them and I met and talked to them and helped them with registration when they arrived.