

# Vice President Education Report September 2018

## Suggestions – Plotter in AAD west 4th floor

An SUggestion was submitted to have a plotter installed on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of AAD West. Since my last report, alternative provision for plotter printing across AAD as a whole will be explored, as there are a number of low access areas.

## Holbeach Visit

The first Holbeach visit occurred on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September with 45 students attending, where they were given a guided tour of campus, a library workshop and took part in a school action day. The next visit will take place on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September!

## Senior Rep Training

This month, School Reps and College Officers attended training, where we covered a number of topics such as leadership, officer reports, and the committees that they will set on in order to effectively represent your academic interests! If you have issues on your course, make sure you find your reps and speak to them!

#### **Coursemate**

This year we are launching a new online system to enable all students to raise issues about their course! When an issue is submitted, these will be sent to the relevant School Rep. School Reps will be able to assign the issues to Course Reps who will be able to talk to the students on the course, find out more about the issue and work with staff to resolve it. They can then feed back to the students on their course

about what has happened, via the online Coursemate system. As a School Rep you will need to support your Course Reps to resolve any issues raised.

Students can provide feedback on any issues or ideas from their course by filling out a simple form at <u>lincolnsu.com/coursemate!</u> You just need to provide information about:

- -What the issue/idea is
- -Why is it an issue/ why do they want to implement the idea
- -What can be done to solve the issue/implement the idea
- -Is relating to a specific module

Upon completion, the person who submitted the issue/idea will receive an email telling them what has been done to resolve the issue/deliver the idea.

Students will receive information about all the issues that have been solved/ideas that have been implemented on a termly basis!

### **Academic Societies**

Academic Societies are Student-Led communities that are designed to enrich the experience of a student's time on their course through create an academic community with both staff and course mates. Alongside this, Academic Societies work in partnership with schools and Academics to provide additional support to students on the course through guest speakers, revision sessions and other events. With the introduction of the Office for Students and the increased focus on both "Value for Money" and representing students' Academic Interests, the existence and development of student led academic societies is vital.

"Fully supported by the Lincoln International Business School, the Lincoln Business Society is a society that wants to help students improve their business skills and knowledge through the building of a network, in order to help them to get the most out of their studies at the University of Lincoln. We have some of the most exciting guest lecturers coming to demonstrate exactly what is required to make it in the world of business." - The Business Society Committee, 2018."

This year, I will be working alongside the VPA to look at how Academic Societies can be further supported by the Students' Union and University.

#### Freshers Week 2018.

September saw our 2018 freshers week take place, where we have seen so many of you taking part in activities and events! A massive thank you to our Volunteer officers and SU Activators who have been so helpful over the week.

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