

Person Specification – Student Trustee

	Essential	Desirable	Tested at Interview	Tested at Application
Qualifications				
Registered as a University of Surrey student	X			X
Over the age of 18 and otherwise meet the eligibility criteria for becoming a Charity Trustee as set out by the Charity Commission	X			X
Experience				
Experience and knowledge of Students' Unions and their representative function	X		X	X
Experience and insight around charity law, and financial and legal processes		X		X
Previous or ongoing involvement in Students' Union activities.		X	X	
Knowledge				
Understanding of Students' Unions/Universities or the HE sector	X		X	X
To have awareness of the Charity Commission guidance on charity Trustees and their legal responsibilities as set out in the Charity Governance Code		X		X
Skills				
Ability to think strategically and focus on the whole picture	X		X	X
Ability to work effectively as a member of the team with diverse levels of experience	X		X	X
Ability to express independent judgements	X		X	X
Ability to communicate effectively with a wide range of individuals and groups	X		X	X
Values, attitudes and personal style				
Commitment to devoting the necessary time and attention to the role of trustee	X		X	X
Adherence to Nolan's seven principles of public life – selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership	X		X	X
Commitment to equality of opportunity, diversity and removing barriers to equality	X		X	X
Commitment to operating in a democratic and student led environment	X		X	X
Enthusiasm for supporting charities and/or education	X		X	X