

Liberation & Welfare Officers

- Secured Mental Health First Aid Lite training for all liberation and welfare officers as well as various CSP officers
- We had an excellent training and team building afternoon with liberation and welfare officers covering campaigning, representation, roles of student welfare officers and liberation movements.
- **BME Officer:** I've been supporting Lami and ACS in the delivery of Black History Month; hopefully this will include a photographic exhibition devised by Lami to celebrate women of colour at Imperial which will be shown on the big screens on the Sheffield walkway
- We've had a largely successful Freshers' Fair with the liberation and campaigns stand promoting student led and external campaigns, volunteering and welfare contacts for students in need.

Housing

- Having introduced Lucinda to CitizensUK, we will be working alongside them on a major housing campaign in the run up to the Mayoral Election. As of 14/10/15 I had managed to gather evidence from this campaign from various sources covering almost 600 responses in just a few days, including well over 100 face-to-face conversations with students.
- I attended their borough meeting on Monday 19th October with student volunteers, including Campaigns officer Andrew Tranter, Student Trustee Zain Rizvi and CGCU Vice President Saksham Dhawan to present Imperial's biggest housing problems to the various community groups involved. It transpired that many of the other groups struggle just as much as students with housing affordability, which is now firmly on the agenda in the run up to the mayoral elections
- I have also been drafting a proposal for College to act as a rental guarantor to students unable to provide one themselves i.e. overseas students and students from families with low household income. I am currently waiting for Registry to send me various pieces of anonymised data (mostly demographic) before I can complete this proposal.

Gender Equality

- Promoting and working on the HeForShe Get Free UK Tour alongside Gender Equality Officer Jonathan Masters, FemSoc Chair and Jodie Denmark and Secretary Jonathan Sutton, and Jess Wade of the WISE Young Women's Board. HeForShe was broadly successful and the afternoon panel discussion drew in a reasonable audience.
- I've been working with Lucinda on the Gender and Institutional Culture Steering Group. This is a piece of research looking at gender equality and sexism at Imperial on a staff and student level lead by Dr Alison Phipps. Director of the Centre for Gender Studies, University of Sussex.
- I've been asked by some of the college's Women's Tutors to give talks to year 1 UG students on sexism, lad culture and reporting.
- After conversations with women working in and using our bars I've been following up on reports of harassment and assessing the complaints process for students and bar staff, with a zero tolerance approach to gender based harassment in the Union.

Wardening teams

- I have managed to secure funding from the Director of Student Services, Denis Wright for all wardens and assistant wardens to receive Mental Health First Aid training and for all subwardens to receive Mental Health First Aid Lite training. The next step now is to chase this up and ensure the training goes ahead and is indeed funded by the Department of Student Services.

Advice Services

- I'm pleased to announce that our new Advice Services Manager Angela Urasala started on Monday October 12th and is settling in well. There will be a complete review of the Union's current advice service, which we are planning to remodel over the next few months, including appointing an additional student advisor.

Medics

- As promised I have continued my work from last year on year 5 and 6 medical student funding. The issue was recently discussed at Provost Board after weeks of discussion with John Neilson of proposed short/medium term solutions. I have been told it received a generally positive response and has been raised with Prof Les Ebdon of the Office for Fair Access.
- In August I was approached by members wanting to demonstrate around the time of Jeremy Hunt's vote of no confidence. This project fell through, however I have recently worked alongside Imperial students to organise the major junior doctor contract demonstration a couple of weeks ago (September 28th) and continue to have involvement alongside Maredudd Harris, ICSMSU President in the Medical Students Against Junior Contracts movement.

Future Student Services Panel

- At the time of writing, we have done 3 out of 3 days of evidence gathering sessions covering student support services (Counselling, Disability Advisory Service, ICU Advice and ICU Volunteering) and education and finance services (Careers Service, Library, Student Finance, Registry). We are now working on formulating the ideal future of student services

Other Panels & Committees

- This week has also included sitting on Student Support & Wellbeing Committee as well as the Equality and Diversity Committee
- I was invited to deliver a talk to the management trainees over in College to explain ICU and its relationship with College. This was met with an entirely positive response and a lot of hearty discussion about our activities and role in support student life.
- I have been on interview panels for Student Counselling Service's 2 new counsellors.