

## TU Dublin Students' Union Student Council Officer Report 22/23

Tuarascáil Oifigeach Comhairle na Mac Léinn Aontas na Mac Leinn, Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta, Baile Átha Cliath 22/23



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### **Key Points Since Last Meeting**

Príomhphointí ón gcruinniú deireanach

Welcome back to the final Student Council of the year! I'll try not to get too emotional in my report (that's reserved for my speech during Officer Reports), but I'd like to just briefly thank each and every one of you for being involved this year. You were part of TUDSU history; whether it was passing a referendum, electing a whole new cohort of part-time officers, rebuilding our class rep / democratic systems, or simply enjoying our huge increase in campaigns and events across each campus – you were an invaluable part of that. I remember being a student councillor for four years of college, and it's been genuinely inspiring watching each of you develop as the months went by. You're all so bright, diligent and brave – I cannot wait to see what the future holds for all of you, and hopefully I can help solidify that for you next year. Dramatics over, time for some updates

**Note:** Please keep in mind I've been on Annual Leave from Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April, followed immediately by Congress, so there are less updates than usual at the time of writing this; I'll be happy to provide verbal updates at the time of Council however on any further work done since then!

#### **Elections**

The elections for both Full- and Part-Time Officers happened, and the turnout was another record-breaker! We can confirm that the number of votes cast in these elections were the highest in TUDSU election history; thank you to everyone for supporting one of our largest campaigns of the year; whether you were a polling clerk, on a campaign team, or just voted yourselves – you've played a part in the future of the SU! Which brings me onto my next point:

#### **By-Elections**

We have an exciting by-election coming up for the City Campus VP, LGBTQ+ Rights Officer, and both Directors + Members of the board! I've been re-instated onto the Electoral Commission & Election Planning meetings within the SU, so it'll be a busy few weeks but hopefully turnout will be great! Feel free to contact me (<a href="mailto:president@tudublinsu.ie">president@tudublinsu.ie</a>) for any neutral information on elections or contact our official elections email (<a href="mailto:elections@tudublinsu.ie">elections@tudublinsu.ie</a>) if you have any questions requiring further attention.

### **USI Congress**

Shoutout to many of our Student Councillors who formed the majority of our delegation at USI Congress this year! For those who aren't sure what Congress is, it's essentially an annual 'conference' where Students' Unions across the island of Ireland (who are members of USI, the National Students' Union) gather to debate motions and policies on a National level. Motions passed included a 'Vote of No Confidence' in the current Irish Government, debates occurred around policing in Ireland, and naturally, TUDSU passed a multitude of exciting motions!

### **Partnership Agreement**

Final draft sent to the University, discussions expected to conclude soon, updates to come in Council!



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### **Funding Agreement**

An initial agreement confirmed regarding funding for the next 3-5 years, ongoing discussions regarding potential additional funding, updates expected by next Council!

### Campaigns (Welfare, Education)

Academic Integrity Week – Work is ongoing to ensure our academic integrity week is impactful, relevant (ChatGPT woo) and timely since many students are currently undergoing assessments / preparing for exams.

Lift the Lid – Louise is the lead on this project and will be able to give plenty of updates on this, but it's poised to be a very exciting event; it should help bolster our Equality work for the year!

Exams Campaign – We're in the middle of organising our exams campaign for your summer exams, so prepare to see your officer team one last time helping you all get through the exam period!

Postgrad Week – Jess is the lead on this campaign, and will likely be able to give updates by the time of Council! These events will be targeted at some of our underrepresented groups, so we're excited to make sure it's a success!

News Media Outlet – Work is now starting on our news media outlet in terms of collating best practice from other HEI's, and we'll be hopefully ready to launch well-before you all get back from your summer holidays! We could also look at forming an informal sub-committee during the summer to ensure students have as much input as possible in the development of the project!

Microwaves & Canteen User Group – More updates by next week but many a microwave have been delivered and are due for / are currently being distributed!



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Meetings Attended (and Number) Tinrimh Choistí agus Cruinnithe (agus Líon)	Priorities for Next Period Tosaíochtaí don chéad tréimhse eile
Leadership Weekly (x1) Academic Council (x1) TAM (x1) TUDSU CLG HR Sub-Committee (x1) Weekly Welfare (x1) Body Project (x2) Jennifer Farrell Meeting (x1) Student Council (x1) PGR Survey (x1) Comms Tender (x1) Faculty Board (x1)	Funding Agreement (Finalise, Sign) Partnership Agreement (Finalise, Sign) Student Charter (Draft following Partnership) Facility Improvements (Canteens, Bike Safety, etc) By-Elections (Full-Time, PTO, CLG Directors) Fundraising (Achieve 30,000) EDI / Welfare Mandates (Progress & Achieve) News Media Outlet Final Campaigns Before End of Semester Officer Training (Full- & Part-Time)
Events/Activities Attended Tinrimh Imeachtaí / Gníomhaíochtaí	Mandates (Complete/In Progress/Uncompleted) Sainorduithe (Déanta / Ar Siúl / Le Déanamh)
Dunk Tank	Officer Archive (Nearing Completion / Completed by Next Council)
Gifts Received Bronntanais a Fuarthas	Personal Expenses Costaisí phearsanta



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Welcome Pack at Congress		N/A	N/A		
Any Other Matters Aon nithe eile					
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