

# **TIME TO LEAD**

**Undergraduate  
Course Representative**



# About Us

The University of Bristol Students' Union is a membership organisation democratically led by students, for students. We represent over 30,000 student members and work to make sure that you get the best from time at university by providing over 300 clubs and societies, offering free support services and academic advice and representing students on the issues that matter to you.

Students drive and are at the heart of everything we do:

- We are the collective voice of University of Bristol students
- We support activities, so students can try new things and develop skills
- We advise, support and empower students to make change
- We are a vibrant social hub
- We provide quality services for the benefit of students

# Our Values

**It's not just what we do that matters, it's how we do it. We will reflect what is most important to our students:**



We are loud and proud about **equality, diversity and inclusion**. We are a Union for all students.



We want our students to thrive, so we support the **wellbeing** of our students through the services that we offer and the campaigns that we run.



We believe **community** matters; we create a sense of belonging across the student body through out student groups, networks, events and spaces.



**Sustainability** underpins all that we do; we want our Union, our University and our planet, to be here for the long term.



We believe opportunities for joy, humour and positivity are important, we want our students to have **fun** whilst at University.

# About the Role

Course reps work with other reps and university staff to improve the student academic experience. Reps represent their coursemates' issues and priorities to staff at course and school/department level.

Course Reps are voting members of Student Council, making sure students on their course have a voice in key SU decisions. Usually there is at least one Rep for every course – this means a system of over 800 academic reps!

## **Core responsibilities as a Course Rep are:**

### Gathering and understanding students' opinions

- Regularly communicating with your peers to hear their opinions
- Sending out surveys/questionnaires when appropriate
- Representing students' varied experiences and backgrounds
- Attending Bristol SU democratic events such as Student Council and Annual Members Meeting, to represent your course and to contribute to university-wide student issues

### Working with both staff and students to find solutions

- Attending School Student Academic Rep Forums to bring feedback and discuss issues with your School staff
- Working with university staff and the students union to raise and resolve issues
- Working with other Course Reps and School Reps to be a powerful collective voice
- Working with your Faculty Rep on issues that go beyond just your course
- Taking part in student-led change through consultations, forums and Rep training events

### Communicating outcomes and updates back to your course-mates

- Reporting outcomes and decisions back to your coursemates after meetings with university staff
- Reporting key successes and progress to your School and Faculty Reps, or to the Bristol SU Academic Rep team

## **Time Commitment**

Course Reps spend an average of 1-2 hours a week on their role during term-time. This includes fixed term commitments (such as School Student Academic Rep Forums or Student Council) and communicating with their coursemates. You will be given training to support you in your role.

The position runs from June 2026 – June 2027.

If you are interested in standing for this role and want to know more email [bristolsu-representation@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:bristolsu-representation@bristol.ac.uk).