



# Network Chair Role Description

Care Leavers and Estranged Students Network



**Bristol SU**

Author Name(s)  
Date if appropriate

## Chair of the Care Leavers And Estranged Students' Network

**Note:** *Candidates for this role must either be a care leaver or identify as an estranged student.*

The chair of the network is responsible for representing students who share that identity, background or experience.

The Chair of the Care Leavers and Estranged Students' Network works as a representative of CLE students at the University. They work with student volunteer members of the network to further the interests of CLE students. They are also a key voice for CLE students to the SU and University and develop campaigns to advocate for positive change.

Specifically, the Chair of the Care Leavers and Estranged Students' Network:

- Engages students with the Network and builds community through effective communication and events
- Keeps relevant Full-Time Officers and SU staff informed about the activities and needs of the Network
- Works with relevant Full-time Officers to keep up-to-date with local and national policy changes that might impact students who are care leavers or who identify as estranged, informing the Network's members about issues of importance
- Works with relevant Full-Time Officers to gather student opinion and feedback on issues relevant to the Network
- Chairs Network meetings and ensures that the democratic aspects of the Network (elections and democratic meetings) are properly conducted
- Ensures the Network acts in line with Union policy and in the best interests of its members
- Scrutinises the work of Full-time Officers, ensuring that their work is inclusive of students who are care leavers or who are estranged, and adequately addresses their needs
- Through Standing Committee, scrutinises the work of all Networks and ensures they are acting in the best interests of the Union's members
- Attends Student Council and its Standing Committee, reporting on the activity of the Network when asked.

If you are interested in standing for this role and want to know more about what it's like on a day-to-day basis, email [bristolsu-elections@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:bristolsu-elections@bristol.ac.uk).

The term of office for this role is June 2024 - June 2025. You must be enrolled as a student during this time.