

Hello! My name is Henry, and I am a Year 3 Architecture student running for President of Education and Representation. My goal is to help foster a university environment built on clear communication, transparency, and collaboration between students, lecturers, and the wider university community. Throughout my time at the university, particularly in my role as a Student Representative and Undergraduate Officer, I have seen how vital effective communication is in shaping a positive academic experience. During this time, I have frequently encountered situations where communication between students and lecturers can be limited, inconsistent, or sometimes absent altogether. This can affect how well students feel supported, understood, and represented within their courses. While working as Undergraduate Officer, I had the opportunity to engage with students and staff across different courses, year groups, and disciplines, which made it clear that this challenge is not isolated to one course or year group, but is a broader issue experienced across the entire university. So with this in mind, I believe this is what we can achieve:

### **1. Enhanced Student-Lecturer Communication**

- Implement regular forums and/or Q&A sessions with lecturers, adapted to each course's needs and preferences, which are then taken into account with changes implemented or effective plans thereof.
- Introduce a transparent feedback system to improve teaching and student experience.
- Push for more regular, effective student-lecturer contact hours for all courses, ensuring students don't feel left to their own devices for large stints of the academic year

### **2. Stronger Student Representation**

- Strengthen the role of student representatives by fostering more communication between and clearer responsibilities.
- Advocate for policies that enhance student welfare, academic support, and mental health services.
- Continue the ongoing celebration of diversity within the university with themed-events, awareness programs etc.
- Have your say: regular feedback survey (or informal meetups) open to the whole student body to address issues that might arise throughout the year and might not be brought up in academic meetings.

### **3. Building a Unified University Community**

- Organize networking and social events to connect students, faculty, and administration.
- Promote a culture of inclusivity and cooperation between students and staff, by example fostering more course collaboration, whether through project or workshops throughout the academic year, embracing the cross-disciplinary nature of the university that fosters hybrid exploration and fluidity.

As your President of Education and Representation, I am committed to fostering a university environment where communication is clear, collaboration is strong, and

every student feels heard. My goal is to bridge the gap between students, lecturers, and the university, ensuring a more inclusive, supportive, and united academic community. Together we can create a stronger, more connected university community. Vote for a university where every voice matters, and let's shape a future built on transparency, collaboration, and shared success.

***Communication Is Key, Vote for Henry!***