Student Sport Council Election Information Pack

What is it?

The Student Sport Council (SSC) is a brand new Northumbria Sport initiative for 2019. The SSC is elected from and by the student body. The role of the SSC is to represent and support students, ensuring that they can play a role in shaping the sport programme at Northumbria. The SSC works with students and staff to capture the views of students to ensure everyone can access and contribute to a broad range of sport and wellbeing activities.

The SSC will be made up of 6 roles;

* Student Sport Club Officers (4 roles available)
* Leagues Officer (1 role available)
* 1 Wellbeing & Inclusion Officer

Student Sport Club Officer:

This position allows students to work closely with the Student Sport Clubs and staff to support the development of their clubs. You will be responsible for looking after a number of clubs and will be expected to meet with them regularly to support them in achieving their club aims and objectives.

Leagues Officer:

This position involves working closely with staff to develop our student leagues programme. You will work closely with key departments across the University to promote, communicate and engage with students to introduce new sports and expand existing sports within the leagues programme.

Wellbeing & Inclusion Officer:

This position aims to use Northumbria Sport programmes and activities to contribute to student wellbeing whilst at University. You will work closely with key departments across the University to provide pathways to get involved in sport. This involves working alongside the Students Union to promote and delivery key campaigns and events across the year.

Work closely with the Student Sport President to ensure all of our sporting programmes are inclusive. You will communicate with underrepresented groups across the university to ensure we are providing suitable activities for them to engage in sport.

***For full role descriptions for each position, please download them from the Northumbria Sport Website***

Why you should apply?

* Opportunity to be part of the first ever Student Sport Council
* Inform the development of Sport with Northumbria Sport Staff
* Represent the student voice
* Work alongside the Student Sport President to provide sport for all

This is an exciting time to be involved in the first ever Student Sport Council and be elected by your own student body! This gives you the opportunity have direct links with Northumbria Sport Staff and the Student Sport President to shape the development of sport for students and Northumbria! You are the student voice that will create change to meet the needs of your peers and develop your clubs.

Who can apply?

* **Any student** can apply for the Leagues Officer and Wellbeing & Inclusion Officer roles
* **Club members only** can apply for the Student Sport Club Officer roles

**ALL STUDENTS** can apply for the Leagues Officer and Wellbeing & Inclusion Officer roles. **CLUB MEMBERS ONLY** can apply for the Student Sport Officer roles.

How to apply?

* Submit a 500 word max manifesto setting out why you are best for the role to *sportvolunteering@northumbria.ac.uk*
* Deadline midnight Sunday 20th October

Students who wish to apply must submit a maximum 500 word statement (manifesto) setting out why they are the best person for the role. Students must submit their 500 word statement to sportvolunteering@northumbria.ac.uk by midnight on Sunday 20th October.

**Stage 1:**

Students who wish to apply must submit a maximum 500 word statement (manifesto) setting out why they are the best person for the role. *Students must submit their 500 word statement to* *sportvolunteering@northumbria.ac.uk* *by midnight on Sunday 20th October.*

All statements will then be reviewed and shortlisted by a panel (chaired by the Student Sport President).

Successful shortlisted candidates will be notified by the Student Sport President and announced on Thursday 24th October.

**Stage 2:**

Candidates will be required to record a short video which will be promoted across the University using various digital media platforms.

Campus-wide campaigning is allowed but putting up posters anywhere on campus is not allowed.

Use of Facebook and other social media is allowed from the start of the campaign. However, candidates are only allowed to use their personal social media platforms to promote their campaign.

Voting will open for the successful shortlisted candidates on the 24th October and will close at lunchtime on the 3rd November.

Northumbria University students will be given the opportunity to vote for who they would like to sit on the Student Sport Council. *Preferential Voting will take place for all roles.*

*All candidates must conduct themselves in a positive, respectful manner and not undertake any activity that would be detrimental to the reputation of the University. Any issues or complaints must be submitted to* *grace.l.donnelly@northumbria.ac.uk* *and will be reviewed and dealt with accordingly.*

*Top Tips*

Things to consider when writing your statement:

* Why you would like to stand as a Student Sport Club Officer (what makes you unique, what ideas can you contribute, what experience do you have)
* How you can make a difference within the role
* Why student should vote for you

*For more information or to have an informal chat about running to be a Student Sport Council member, please contact Student Sport President, Grace Donnelly (**grace.l.donnelly@northumbria.ac.uk**)*