



# VISION STATEMENT

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<p><b>An MMU That Leads With Integrity, Delivers With Purpose, and Puts Students First</b></p> <p>My vision is for an MMU where every student feels represented, protected, and empowered — not just in words, but in action.</p> <p>As a final-year student, I understand the realities of university life because I am living them. I know the financial pressure, the uncertainty about careers, the stress around assessments, and the desire to belong. I bring not only leadership experience, but a fresh, current understanding of what students are navigating today — and I am ready to turn that understanding into progress.</p> <p>Students have been clear. They want earlier and stronger mental health and disability support. They want more inclusive spaces — from prayer facilities and safe zones to representation that reflects the diversity of our campus. They want teaching that is engaging, feedback that is meaningful, and digital access that works. They want clearer career pathways in a changing economy. They want financial support that reflects the real cost of living — including a bursary that keeps pace with inflation.</p> <p>At the heart of my vision is a simple principle: student opinion must shape institutional decisions. Representation should not be symbolic. It should influence policy, investment, and priorities at every level of the University.</p> <p>I will champion ethical and transparent leadership, including reviewing where and how the University invests its money. Universities are institutions of knowledge and moral responsibility. Their financial practices and partnerships must reflect the values they teach. Sustainability, responsible investment, and long-term environmental impact cannot be secondary considerations — but in every discussion, student voices will come first.</p> <p>Financial fairness must evolve with reality. A bursary that has remained unchanged while living costs rise does not reflect the pressures students face. My vision includes advocating for updated financial support, especially for those studying creative and art degrees, that aligns with inflation and recognises the true cost of being a student in Manchester today.</p> <p>Community is equally essential. Through my experience leading Manchester Asian Society, I have seen how powerful societies are in shaping belonging. They are not extracurricular — they are lifelines. I will use my experience, relationships, and understanding of society operations to strengthen support, visibility, and resources for student groups, ensuring every student can find a space that feels like home.</p> <p>MMU should feel like more than a campus. It should feel like a community — a home away from home.</p>	

Academically and personally, students deserve meaningful feedback, accessible digital resources, inclusive learning spaces, early mental health support, safe spaces, and representation across cultures and identities. They deserve a University that truly puts itself in students' shoes.

Most importantly, leadership must be consistent. My commitment is not for six weeks before re-elections. It is for the full year — visible, accountable, and relentless in pursuing change. Determination does not switch off when campaigns end.

**This is not about promises.**

**It is about outcomes.**

**Real Representation. Real Results.**

My vision is an MMU that leads with integrity, flourishes through community, and ensures every student — regardless of background or circumstance — leaves stronger, supported, and proud of the institution they were part of.