

# SAVANNAH MIDDLETON

## #1 SOCIETIES & DEVELOPMENT MMUNIFIED



### WHO AM I?

Hey, I'm Sav and I'm running to be the **Societies and Development Officer** as a part of the **MMUnified** slate. I am currently in my last year of Biomedical science but my hobbies include getting involved with the Union. I have been Chair of the Uniboob society for the past 2 years, which is the breast cancer awareness society on campus. During my time as chair we have won a society award for 'Best Campaigns and Liberation Society', and were runners up for 'Most Improved Society'. This year I have been a part of a wide range of volunteering projects, from Street2Feet homeless charity tournament to being Chair of Society Council. This has allowed me to engage with the Union, helping not only mine, but other societies develop throughout the academic year. My contributions have been recognized at a national level, through a National Society Award for 'Individual Outstanding Contribution' and through being elected as NUS Delegate for the 2019 Women's Conference. Due to my extensive engagement with the union, I know I can bring improvements to students and societies with the points below.

### COUNCIL REFORM

- Improve training for council committee members to better prepare them for the role
- Smaller society category meetings instead of big council meetings. Eg. All academic societies will meet with their council representative for monthly meetings, allowing mutual discussions and a relationship between the council reps and societies to form, as currently, most societies don't know who their council rep is.
- Email and possibly Facebook accounts for council members, to protect the privacy of their personal accounts.

### VOLUNTEERING AND DEVELOPMENT

- Meet with every society to make a personalized development plan, including check-ins throughout the year to see where support is needed.
- Increased awareness of volunteering hours, with better rewards and an easier system to log hours on, as current engagement with the system is low.
- Allowing non-committee members to log hours which will promote volunteering amongst societies as well as providing more volunteering opportunities for members outside of committee roles. Eg. park clean-ups and partnering with local homeless charities, etc. This will provide a platform for university students to engage with the local community.
- Run development workshops for personal development skills. Eg. Financial planning, leadership, organization, etc.

### ENGAGEMENT

- ROOM BOOKINGS!!!! Need I say more? Yes? Okay – GET RID OF DOUBLE BOOKINGS
- Attend as many society events and socials as possible to make myself accessible to society members. This will allow me to understand each society individually to better support them as no two societies are the same, and each one will need a different form of support. This way I can proactively assess possible issues in a more direct manner while building relationships with the societies.
- Make students aware when they can reach out for officer support by introducing office hours 2-3 times a week.
- Move the dates of Society Committee training to a more accessible time where all committee members can attend.

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