



Leeds Trinity Students' Union EXTERNAL TRUSTEE VACANCY



# About us

Leeds Trinity Students' Union is a campaigning and membership incorporated charity in Horsforth, Leeds.

We exist to make students' lives brilliant at Leeds Trinity University. We run a number of services for students from independent advice, commercial venues, campaigns for change and a vibrant series of events and student sport clubs and societies.

We are looking for **an External Trustee** to join our highly skilled Trustee Board. We are particularly keen to hear from candidates who excel in Human Resource or Legal sector.

The organisation is in a period of exciting change and transformation having recently recruited a new General Manager. The Board will soon start renewing a three year strategic plan for the organisation.

As a Trustee you are responsible for the overall running of the charity, including agreeing the budget, strategy and governance of the organisation. We are looking to appoint on a two year term with a view to extend if all parties wish to do so.



# Role

### As a Board member

You have collective authority and responsibility to develop policies, procedures and regulations for the operating of Leeds Trinity Students' Union.

You monitor the Union's overall performance against the operating and strategic plan. You also interpret the constitution as required.

You are responsible for fully understanding our Constitution and Byelaws. You will have an awareness of the day-to-day activities of the organisation and provide sound assistance to the General Manager through your role.

### **Benefits of being a Trustee**

You will get to make a difference to over 7,500 students' lives at Leeds Trinity University ensuring we become a high performing, relevant Students' Union that represents, supports and builds relevant digital and physical communities for our students.

You will be provided with training on being a trustee, be invited to major student engagement and celebration events across the year and to an annual trustee residential that will focus on developing both the Board and the organisation.

# Person Specification

In addition to upholding the roles and responsibilities as set out in the constitution, our ideal candidates will possess the following experience and skills:

#### Essential

- Current Human Resources and/or Legal professional experience
- A strong communicator willing to constructively challenge and debate.
- An interest in Students' Unions and the Higher Education Sector.
- The ability to work well with others at a senior level.
- A positive and proactive approach to opportunities to develop the organisation.
- Knowledge and experience to offer the right balance of support and challenge to the Board and staff.

### Desirable

- Experience of Higher or Further Education
- Previous experience on a Board of Trustees

# Find out more

If you would like to find out more about the role please contact Chelsey Grooby, Chair of the Board and Union President.

E: C.Grooby@leedstrinity.ac.uk

### **Time Commitment**

The Board typically meet seven times a year usually on Thursday evenings from 6pm at Leeds Trinity University, LS185HD (Currently remote). One of the meetings is an extended training weekend day within a comfortable distance from Horsforth. This is an unpaid voluntary role, but reasonable travel expenses will be reimbursed.

## To Apply

Please send a covering letter and CV to Student.union@leedstrinity.ac.uk outlining your motivation for applying for the role and how you meet the criteria. We will close the application process for the roles by 9<sup>th</sup> Aug 2021 12pm or sooner if we have a sufficient number of applications.

Thank you for taking an interest in the organisation and we look forward to hearing from you.