

Your monthly newsletter on all key information for you to know as a course rep
from the Students' Union

LATEST NEWS

Your Education Officer, Rachel Williams

My aim is to champion reframing UAL's educational structure in ways that make it representative of all students. I plan on lobbying further for tangible decolonization efforts and fighting to ensure the HE experience supports students developing diverse creative identities. I'm excited to work with you and for you to make real educational change at UAL. Let me use my voice to empower yours!

See what Rachel has been up to on the [Arts SU Website](#).

Connect with Rachel Instagram: [@education.artssu](#) Email: education@su.arts.ac.uk



Course Reps

Arts Active

To say thank you for your hard work as Course Reps, we would like to offer you free access to the [Arts Active](#) programme from 24th - 28th January. Please sign up to the sessions that you would like to attend using [this form](#) and we will get back to you with what sessions we can offer (depending on availability). The deadline for this is Thursday 20th January at 12pm. Thank you.

Student & Dean Forums

Thank you to everyone who attend the Term 1 Student & Dean Forums, the minutes from each forum can be found on [our website](#) along with the [Term 1 Summary Report](#).

The Term 2 Student & Dean Forums will take place from 7th – 25th February. We will be in contact with you soon to determine the exact date and time for your school forum.

Skills Development Training

We will be running two more *Introduction to being a Rep Skills Development Training* -Workshops at [14.00 - 16.00 - Wednesday 2nd February](#) and [11.00 - 13.00 - Thursday 3rd February](#) for those of you who haven't been able to attend a session yet.

We are also hosting two information sessions for course reps to talk to the Clubs and Societies' team on [1.00 - 2.00pm - Tuesday 18th January](#) and the Advice team on [2.00 - 3.00pm – Thursday 27th January](#) . This will be your chance to hear what they have to offer and to ask them directly any questions that you and your peers may have.

More information and the sign up links are on the [Arts SU website](#).

We are planning to run some more development training sessions next term, is there any particular area that you would like us to focus on? Perhaps collecting and analysing feedback –or public speaking. Please let us know if you have any ideas about specific topics you would like to know more about by emailing us at [- coursereps@su.arts.ac.uk](mailto:coursereps@su.arts.ac.uk)

LGBTQ+ History Month

As part of LGBTQ+ History Month, Arts SU will be holding an exhibition of students' work, at CSM Window Galleries from Wednesday 9th Feb - Sunday 27th Feb. We are hoping to arrange a course rep social and take a group to the exhibition – more details to come on this soon.

If anyone would like to write a blog for Arts SU on the topic of LGBTQ+ History Month, then please do get in touch via course reps@su.arts.ac.uk

What is the best way to communicate with you?

We would love to hear any ideas you have about the best way to communicate opportunities and updates; We currently have this monthly rep newsletter and the Facebook page, but are there are others ways that you think would work better? Please let us know by emailing course reps@su.arts.ac.uk or posting in the Facebook group.

Call out for Mature Students Society Committee Members

A student would like to start a Mature Students Society, but is in need of a treasurer. If anyone would like to take on this role or would like more information, please email course reps@su.arts.ac.uk

Arts SU

Leadership Elections

Applications for the student leadership elections open on Monday 24th January.

Sabbatical Officer Roles

The six Sabbatical Officers collectively represent the students at the University of the Arts London (UAL). They consist of:

- Four College Officer roles, which are the lead representatives of the Students' Union and UAL students within each of their colleges (London College of Fashion, Chelsea, Camberwell and Wimbledon, London College of Communication, Central Saint Martins)
- One Student Communities Officer, covering sports, societies, study, liberation and personal identity.
- One Union Affairs Officer, who is the public voice of the Students' Union and UAL students at the central university

School Representative Roles

School Representatives (part-time/voluntary) (x 2 per a school, 6 per college, 24 in total) are the lead representatives of students' academic interests and experiences within a specific school department of a college, they represent the views of students at the school level (within a college) and feedback the outcomes of discussion to the student body.

For more information on leadership roles and the election, please visit the [Arts SU website](#).

Arts Awards Nominations

The Arts' Awards give you the opportunity to recognise staff who have made all the difference to your experience at UAL. This is your chance to thank your tutors, lecturers, technical staff and support staff for all of their hard work and support.

[Arts Awards 2022 Nominations are now live – get your nominations in](#)

Fancy getting paid to design the Arts' Awards 2022?

We're looking for creators to design and make trophies, certificates and an in-person awards night video for the Arts Awards 2022 that recognizes the outstanding contributions student and staff have made to the student experience at UAL.

[We are offering three separate commissions:](#)

Trophies Commission (estimated x24 trophies): £1200

Certificate Design: £150

Awards Night Video: £300

[APPLY HERE](#) (Deadline for entries: 23/01/2022)



Arts SU Advice

Companion Scheme

The Arts Students' Union Advice Service set up the Companion Scheme in spring 2020 to help students stay connected during the pandemic. We match UAL students in pairs based on some preferences that you provide us with when you apply. We will send you both an introduction email. After that, it's up to you! You can email, video call, swap phone numbers or meet in person... whatever works best for you both.

[Apply Here](#)

Policy Digest

Below we have included some suggested readings from different news platforms on the topic of higher education.

[Having rights and career ambitions doesn't make you a bad student - WonkHE](#)

[International applicants want more support and guidance - WonkHE](#)

[Student wellbeing is about academic experience – especially during Covid - WonkHE](#)

BEFORE WE GO...

If you have any news or opportunities that you would like to include in the next Rep Newsletter, please get in touch - course reps@su.arts.ac.uk



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