



### tti, I'm Sharon!

Hi, everyone! I'm Sharon and I'm running to be your VP Education (Health). As a Neuroscience student, I'm aware of how your environment can make or break your learning experience. This is why I am dedicated to making King's a more productive, accessible and comfortable place to study, to best facilitate every student's journey within their chosen field.

As VP for Education (Health), I know that the cost of living crisis puts a significant amount of strain on the ability of many King's students to engage with their education. Therefore, I will fight for our students' union to support concrete measures to support all King's students during this time.

As VP for Education (Health), I will force KCLSU to take sexual misconduct on our campus seriously. I will advocate for the implementation of all 7 policies put forward by the Stop the Music Campaign to prevent drink spiking at KCL venues.

I strongly believe that **education is a right** and that anyone who wishes to pursue further education deserves to be accommodated, **no matter who they are**. As VP for Education (Health), I will consistently **advocate for better, faster and more accessible mental health and disability support** from KCLSU.

Vote for me for a fearless representative who will always advocate for the rights of the student body and is ready to fight to liberate our corporatised university.

#### And this is how we're going to do it;



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FROM MANAGEMENTS GRASP

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#### MY MAIN POLICIES

I aim to represent and voice the concerns and needs of all students. However, my ideas for students studying Science and Health courses are:

- **Quality of education:** Ensure that the quality of teaching and learning resources facilitate the success and ambitions of all King's students.
- **Module Information:** Promote quick, efficient communication between the health faculties and their students, making sure that student feedback is considered and implemented where possible (including earlier timetables releases).
- Exam and Course Feedback: Advocate for more comprehensive feedback on both formative and summative assessments, as well as making sure all assessments are carried out fairly and contribute positively to the overall learning experience of King's students.
- **Student Representation:** Making sure, alongside the student representatives, the voices of students are amplified. When it comes to education, as well as your well-being, your opinions, your interests and your learning are the priority, and I will always advocate for that.
- **No evidence MCFs:** I will fight to get every student at least one MCF without requiring evidence per term. Students should not have to reveal personal and sensitive information to the university, especially with no promise of consideration.
- HyFlex assessments (in person/online): I will advocate for a revaluation of assessment techniques. There is no one size fits all approach to higher education. Students should be able to choose forms of assessment that suit their academic needs and career requirements.
- Improving the quality of teaching and study spaces: King's is a world-renowned university. Our spaces, including lecture halls, seminar rooms, cafes, libraries and bar, should reflect the high amount we pay in tuition fees.



# PUT SET THE STUDENTS' DEMOCRATISE IN THE DRIVERS SEAT

- I will advocate for KCLSU to replace liberation networks with officer positions, elected by the entire student body
- I will challenge regulation by the Charity Commission, which prohibits the union to campaign on certain political issues.
- I will advocate for an SU GTA audit. Graduate teaching assistants have been failed by their students' union that has neglected to represent their interests for too long.
- I will advocate for an end to the consideration of criminal records of SU officers. BME communities are disproportionately targeted by the police.
- I will advocate against the requirement for SU officers to accept forced interruptions. This disproportionately affects applicants from marginalised backgrounds who are more likely to have already needed to take time out of education.



### PUT UNDERREPRESENTED STUDENTS DIVERSIFY IN THE DRIVERS SEAT

- I will ensure our buildings are accessible to disabled students and staff.
- I will advocate for management to provide more funding for the disability service and the counselling service.
- I will advocate for hyflex provision available to students who need it
- I will advocate for widening participation schemes should include LGBT students.
- I will advocate strongly for disability audits for KCL spaces.
- I will push for fee reductions and grants in recognition of systemic disadvantage and work with UCU and Unison to demand that ethnicity and race pay gaps (as well as disability and gender pay gaps) are closed immediately.
- I support the policies of the Adjust KCL Campaign in raising awareness about barriers to education for students who are disabled, neurodivergent, low income, in crisis, or at risk of any of these things.
- I strongly believe that education is a right and that anyone who wishes to pursue further education deserves to be accommodated, no matter who they are.



## TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO DECOLONISE END THE ATTAINMENT GAP FOREVER

- I will promote efforts to decolonise the curriculum in STEM fields at KCL. The curriculum should cater to students from **any and all backgrounds**, and actively address the presence of colonial ideas within the history of health research.
- I will work together with King's Decolonising Working group and Decolonise KCL to tackle structural issues that affect students of colour at King's.
- I will continue to advocate for the demilitarisation of our education by raising awareness of KCL's involvement in the military industrial complex.
- I will be a loud critic of the Islamophobic PREVENT policy and the securitisation of our campus which makes it risker for racialized students to publicly organise around these issues.
- I will fight to implement a strict 'no cops on campus' policy and resist securitisation and surveillance. The presence of police creates an unsafe campus environment, which puts students at risk of police brutality, sexual harassment and racism.
- I will urge King's to provide support for migrant students including accommodation support, healthcare support, legal support and academic support.





- I will advocate for the NUS's campaign to 'Freeze rents not students' and for KCLSU to campaign for more rooms in King's Accommodation to be covered under the King's Affordable Accommodation Scheme (KAAS).
- I endorse the demands made by the @studentcostofliving action block. In 2021-22, KCL had an operating surplus of £42.2m; KCLSU must argue for some of this surplus to be used to increase the cost-of -living payments and hardship funds available to students.
- I support the full demarketisation of higher education. Free education is a right!



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