



Student Trustee Candidate:

# Ryan Ward

## Manifesto

My name is Ryan, a second year Physics student running for a Student Trustee position. I'm passionate about bringing positive change to the union and the students I aim to represent. I'm already active within the union as I represent the entirety of Physics as the Subject Rep. This has given me experience in chairing meetings and allowed me to advocate change for the better – such as Transgender Awareness training for all staff members in the department, which is something which I aim to push for across the university. This, coupled with my term as Physics Society President, has given me the ability to think in both long and short term, manage large teams of people and ensure all voices are heard – no matter how small. I know university can be a tough and strenuous time and I firmly believe that the union has a duty of care to invest more in mental health facilities as they can literally save lives. I want to help improve the campus in any way possible, for example, making it greener to ensure we do our part at stopping Colony Collapse Disorder and climate change. This can be done through improving the efficiency of the buildings on campus. I have had the opportunity to sit on faculty-level committees, which have given me understandings of the inner workings on the structure of governance, while allowing me to voice my own opinions and points of others. I believe these skills and values make me a highly suitable candidate for the role of trustee.