

## The Graduate Teaching Assistant Representative

### The essentials

Number of positions up for election	1
Can any student run for this position?	No (Only GTAs can run)
Is this position paid?	No
Time commitment	10 hours per term (approx.)

### What does the Graduate Teaching Assistants' Representative do?

The Graduate Teaching Assistant Rep is the main representative of GTAs both within the Students' Union and LSE as a whole, a group that is often under-represented within both institutions.

Your work will be centred on improving GTA conditions. You will work closely with the Education Officer and the PHD Officer. You will have the chance to put on events for your constituency throughout the year to improve the provision of services for GTAs in the LSE.

### What you will do in the role

- Attend all 6 Academic Board meetings during the academic year and represent the views of all GTAs at these meetings.
- Prepare for the meetings by coming to briefing sessions put on by the SU, reading the relevant reports and papers and consulting with GTAs on the issues they care about.
- Following up by helping LSE implement change and reporting back to GTAs.

### What is the Academic Board?

The Academic Board is the principal academic body of LSE, and all major policy issues affecting the academic life of the School and its students go through here. It is chaired by the Director of LSE, and all academic staff such as professors and teaching fellows can attend.

Over the last couple of years the Academic Board has discussed the LSE Education Strategy, which will shape the direction of education at LSE over the next five years, as well as issues surrounding study space, plagiarism, department structure and free speech at LSE. There is also the opportunity for members of the board to ask questions on school policy to senior figures within the school.

### You should nominate yourself if...

- You are passionate about improving the academic experience for GTAs at LSE.
- You see changes you want to make in GTA conditions, and you want the opportunity to speak to the highest levels of LSE to make that change.
- You want a flexible leadership role that you can fit around your studies, work and other commitments.
- You want to develop your communication and organisational skills, and improve your CV.

### **How to nominate yourself**

- Go to [www.lsesu.com/elections](http://www.lsesu.com/elections) and fill out a nomination form.
- Nominations open at 10am on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October and close at 5pm Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October. Nominations submitted after this point will not be accepted.
- Students can vote online between 10am on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October and close 7pm on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October.
- If you have any questions or if you would like more information about these roles please email Engagement Co-ordinator Frankie Quinn at [F.Quinn@lse.ac.uk](mailto:F.Quinn@lse.ac.uk).