



Student Council Online // Elected Officer Q&A

2 - 4PM // WEDNESDAY 29TH APRIL

HERTFORDSHIRE STUDENTS' UNION



Rida Shafqat (President)

What have I been up to?

Accommodation:

- ▶ *Successfully lobbied the University to release students who are no longer living in their on-campus room from their 3rd and 4th term contracts. Now lobbying private accommodation providers to do the same, and cater for students in case they have to extend their contracts due to the lockdown.*

Safety-net Policy:

- ▶ *Received a petition from students to lobby for a no-detriment policy. Worked with the VP Education to lobby the University to implement it. VP Education to take the lead on it from now on.*



What have I been up to?

International Student Issues and Tuition Fees:

- ▶ *With lockdown in many other countries as well as the UK, many students were not able to meet the deadline for their third instalment of tuition fees. The University is now accepting tuition fees up until Friday 22 May.*

Hardship Fund:

- ▶ *Actively lobbying for more funds to be put into the COVID-19 relief fund, so students struggling financially as a result of the outbreak can be supported. Encouraged students to donate too.*



What have I been up to?

Getting Student Feedback:

- ▶ *Have been doing live Q&A sessions and communicating with students via all social media platforms as well as emails to get their feedback on everything such as; well-being support, online classes, deadline extensions, start of next term etc.*

National Campaigns:

- ▶ *Been in touch with other Officers across the UK to talk about national campaigns, and support campaigns launched by NUS - especially the ones that students at UH could benefit from.*



What have I been up to?

Value for Money:

- ▶ *Lobbying the University actively to provide as much support as possible for all students, so they can get the experience they deserve. Thinking about value for money for students for the start of next term as well.*





Questions for Rida?

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Muhammad Sajid (Vice-President Activities)

What have I been up to?

- ▶ COVID-19 self-isolation is one of the most challenging times for all of us. In this time of need, finding new ways to entertain students and creating new activities that are online was one of the biggest challenges of this year. As a team, we tried our best to come up with the most efficient and engaging events online. Following are the events that have been done or are going to happen soon.



What have I been up to?

- ▶ Wellbeing Wednesday Yoga Classes
- ▶ Online Quizzes
- ▶ Society Events / Live Streams
- ▶ Elected Officer Live Sessions
- ▶ Students' Support by Officers (Email)
- ▶ Cooking Classes
- ▶ Netflix Parties
- ▶ Online Open Mic Night
- ▶ #hertsfromhome



What have I been up to?

- ▶ Students' Union Awards were also decided to be done this year online. And society committee elections also took place. Other than that, the Activities Hub Facebook group has been put into place which really helps all the students to interact, and also to share different activities that have been going on.





Questions for Saj?

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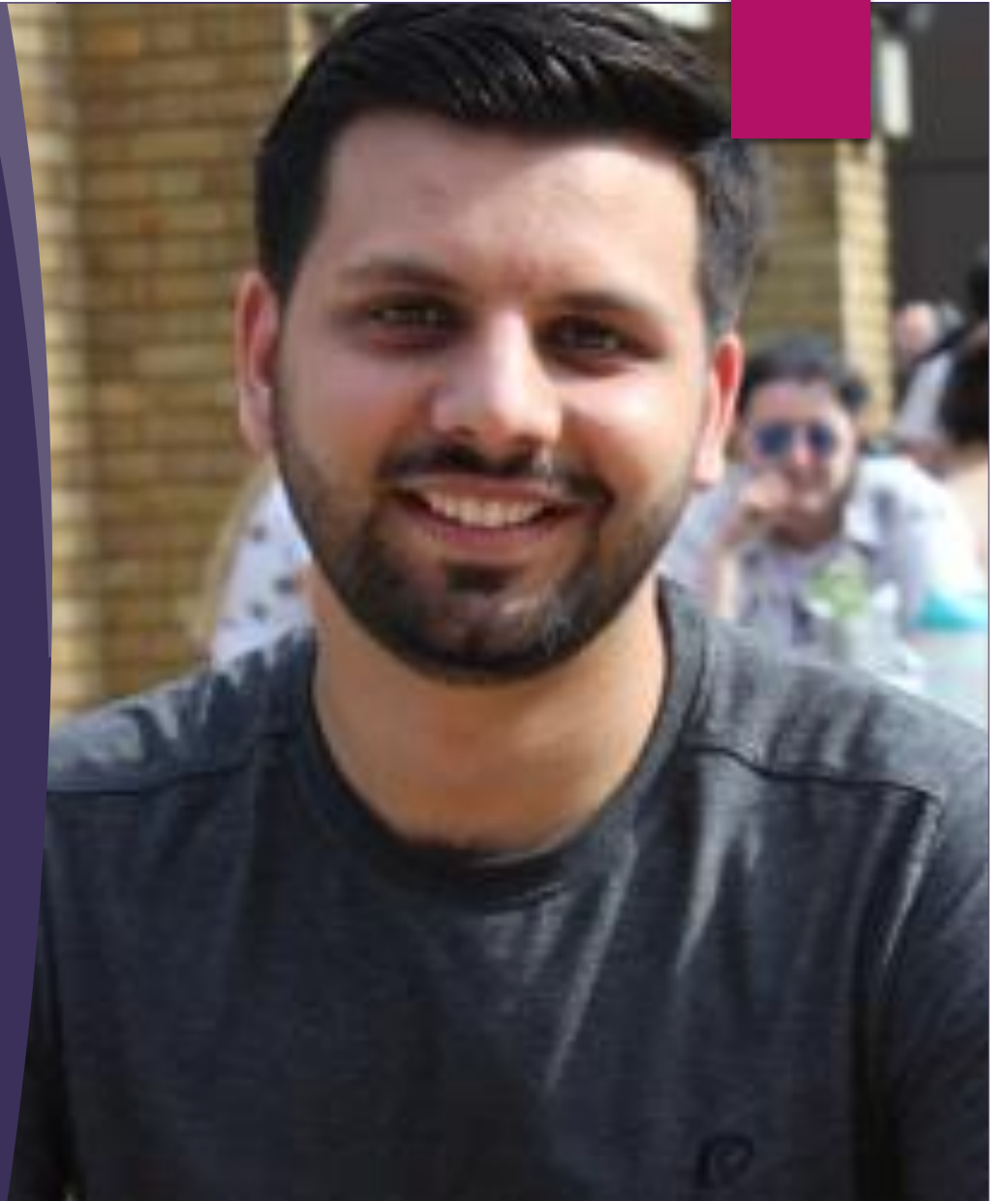
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Farhan Rafique (Vice-President Community)

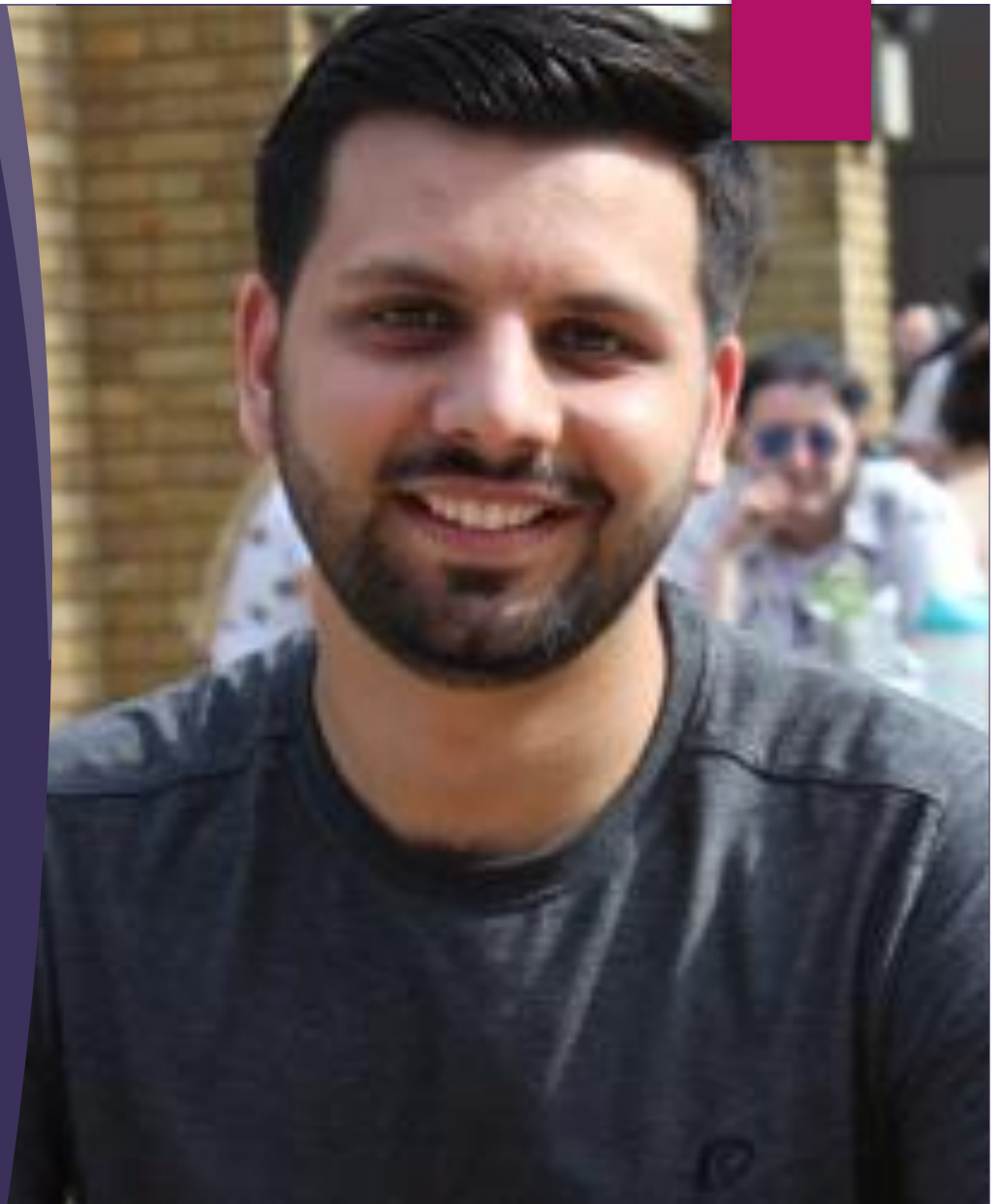
What have I been up to?

- ▶ Increased the presence of Elected Officers at online platforms.
- ▶ Both campus shops are open Monday-Friday from 9am to 4pm.
- ▶ Promoting the advice/support centre through online channels.
- ▶ New streets lights near the Key at College Lane with the help of estates.



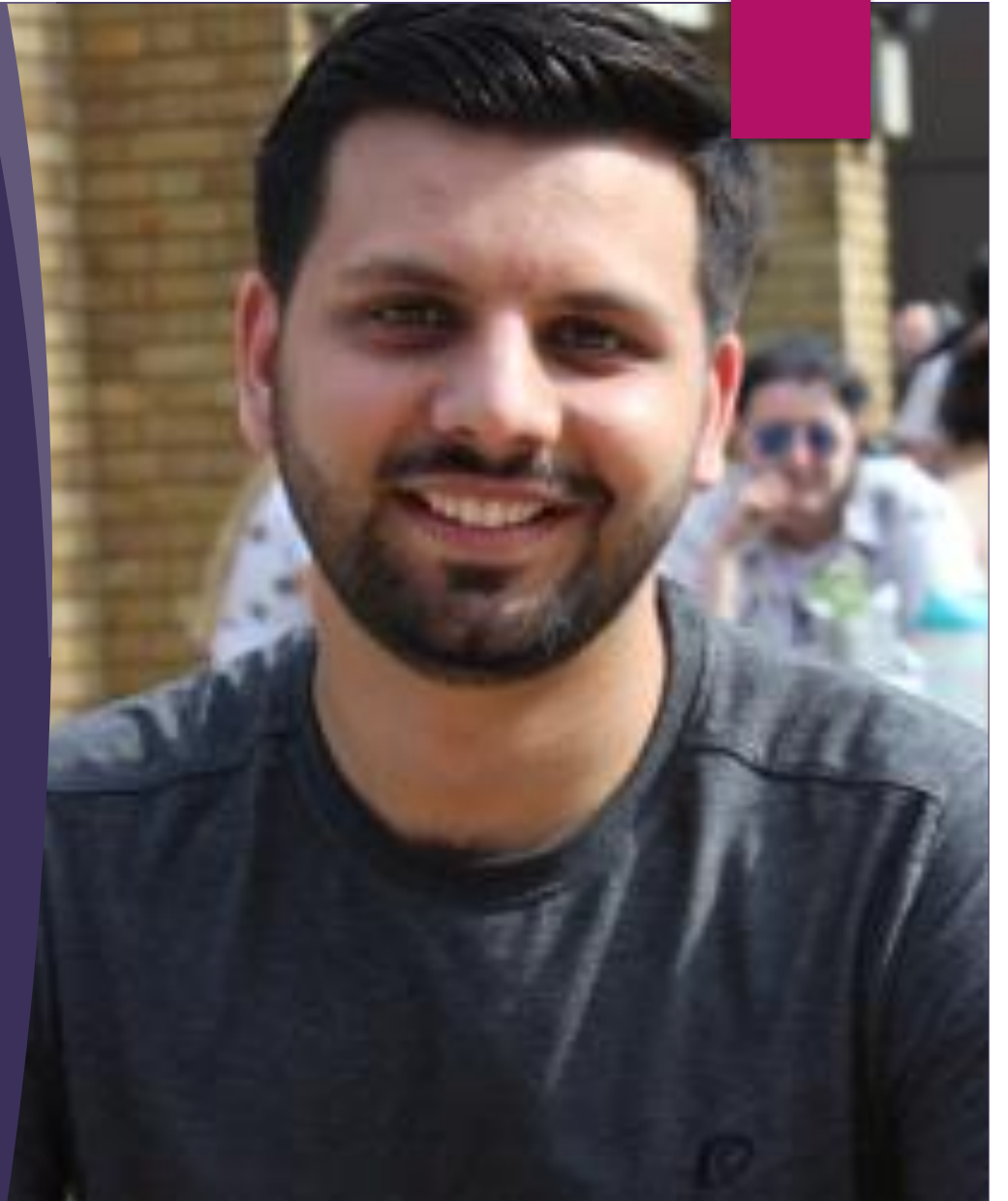
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- ▶ Replaced the damaged benches with new benches which is in the front of the Forum with the help of estates.
- ▶ Regular meetings with dean of students / head of security regarding campus security and safety.
- ▶ Encouraged students to Report Anonymously if they experienced or witnessed an incident through (herts.ac.uk/reportandsupport).



What have I been up to?

- ▶ Lobbying for replaced Jacob ladder lift which is out of order after every month.
- ▶ The Key carpet now washed and cleaned.
- ▶ Meeting with Uno Buses stakeholders.
- ▶ Promoting Uliving competition and have regular meetings with them.





Questions for Farhan?

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response to **COVID-19**

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