What is Democratic Procedures Committee?
Democratic Procedures Committee, or DPC for short, is the SU’s primary procedural body – as a member you will analyse, debate and make changes to our bye-laws and guiding documents. As these documents form the basis of all of our activity, the job is hugely important to our work.

If I was to be elected to DPC, what would be expected of me?
DPC meets formally three times per year (once in the autumn term, once in spring and once in summer). There may be occasional other meetings, and some communication/voting may happen online or via email. In the meeting itself you would be expected to read the papers, contribute to the debate and vote on amendments. Each term the role would take about 8 hours of your time.

What can I expect of the SU?
The SU Representation Development team will organise full training for you in your role, both in terms of the DPC process, and the bye-laws themselves. A member of staff will also organise and minute meetings for you, and send the papers to you.

What sort of skills might you develop?
As a member of DPC, you will develop keen analytic and logic skills: you’ll be able to look at documents and see how they fit together and be able to see how specific changes may change their meaning. In the meetings themselves you will develop good verbal reasoning and public speaking skills.

What will I get out of DPC?
Aside from developing the skills above, as a member of DPC you’ll be at the heart of the SU – you’ll work directly with our full-time officers and decisions that you make will influence the way in which all of our societies, groups and services are run. You’ll also be eligible to be considered in several of our recognition schemes.

How many roles are available?
There are four roles currently available.