What is the Disabled Students’ Officer?
The Disabled Students’ Officer is one of the University of Nottingham SU’s Part-time Officer team, and is the official head of the Disabled Students’ Network. As head of the network, the Disabled Students’ Officer runs events and campaigns for disabled students, represents disabled students to the university and leads the Disabled Students’ Network committee structures. There will also be the ability to contribute to the Union as part of the Union’s wider Officer Team.

To stand to be the Disabled Students’ Officer, you must self-define as Disabled.

If I was to be elected as Women’s Officer, what would be expected of me?
This role is a Part-time Officer position, so you would be expected to complete the role beside your studies. It is likely that the role would be a relatively sizeable commitment of your time, as you may be asked to attend some relatively regular meetings both with the university, and within the network itself: in terms of the network meetings, this would meet as often, or as little as you need to get your work done. As an estimate, the role might take a few hours a week, but this is obviously flexible.

What can I expect of the SU?
The SU Representation Development team will assign you with a staff mentor who will organise full training for you in your role, both as a Part-time Officer and within your network. They will also help you set objectives in your role, and an induction to the organisation. Staff will also provide you with some assistance in the organisation of the network’s campaigns and events. As a Part-time Officer, we can also arrange for you to attend conferences and training, and you would be eligible to be considered in one of the Union’s recognition schemes.

What sort of skills might you develop?
All Part-time Officers can expect to develop a number of skills during their year, including budgeting, leading a team, organising events, time management and planning and organising. Depending on what you do, you may also develop skills in report writing, data analysis, among others. Basically, if you want to develop a specific skill, there is the chance to develop it within this role!

For an informal conversation about this role, please contact the SU Representation Development team at: suelections@nottingham.ac.uk

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