What is Elections Committee?
Elections Committee is the primary decision-making about the main students' union elections. As a member of Elections Committee, you’ll contribute to the setting of our elections strategy, decide the rules of our elections, make decisions about elections grievances and help to organise events over our elections periods. Working with our Returning Officer, elected officers and SU Staff, the SU elections is vital to making sure that elections are run fairly, safely and excitingly.

If I was to be elected as an Elections Committee member, what would be expected of me?
Elections Committee meets formally three times per year (once in the autumn term, once in spring and once in summer), but more often within the Spring Term, before and during the main officer elections. Before the meeting you’d be asked to read a short report and papers, and contribute to the discussion. Over the elections period you will be asked to make collective rulings over grievances, which may be done either face to face, or online. There are also additional opportunities to help run events over the elections period: each term the role would take at most 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. A member of staff will also organise and minute meetings for you, and send the papers to you, and help to investigate grievances. We’ll also organise some social events throughout the year.

What sort of skills might you develop?
As an Elections Committee Member, you will develop keen analytic and logic skills: you’ll be able to look at documents and be able to pull out core conclusions. In the meetings themselves you will develop good verbal reasoning and public speaking skills. You may also get skills in event management.

What will I get out of Elections Committee?
Aside from developing the skills above, as a member of the elections committee you’ll be at the heart of the SU – you’ll work directly with our full-time officers and decisions that will influence the SU elections, one of the SU’s main areas of work. You’ll also be eligible to be considered in several of our recognition schemes.