

Hi, my name is Becky Aston, and I am currently the Vice President of Welfare and Campaigns at Roehampton Students Union, and am running for re-election to become your Vice President of Welfare and Community for 2010/2011.

What I have done this year –

- Provided one to one confidential advice on a range of different issues, from academic and finance to health and well being and maintained consistency in pastoral care of students.
- Liaised with external organisations such as the Wandsworth Primary Care Trust to make sure that RSU is providing up to date and in depth advice and guidance on a whole range of health issues.
- Distributed various pieces of information and knowledge on a range of subjects, both via publication, but also through workshops as part of the 'Roehampton Award' scheme.
- Worked closely with a number of internal student facing services such as Health and Well Being, Disability services, The Money Doctors, Careers and Employability as well as each of the college SWO's.
- Developed the campaigns that we do throughout the year to help educate and inform, as well as implement change.
- Started 'The Campaigns Crawl' where a team of people went out to talk to you, the students, about what you want from your union because RSU is for the students and run by the students. If we aren't doing what you want then we need to hear!
- Started the 'Don't Diss My Ability' disability awareness campaign, and worked with the disabilities officer to set up a student led disabilities steering group where anyone can come along to not only help with the campaign, but also work through other issues that may come up throughout the year.
- Started work on producing publications aimed at mature, off campus, international and disabled students which have information about all the different services provided by the University and RSU so that everyone can really get the most out of their time at Roehampton.
- Worked directly with the University to help produce a pregnancy policy

What I want to do next year –

- Maintain a high level of welfare support and advice for all students
- Be involved in putting together welfare and community related campaigns such as Well Being Week, S.H.A.G Week, and be support for all other campaigns.
- Make sure that all publications for all cohorts of students are distributed effectively and available from Fresher's Week, and throughout the year to help everyone get the most out of the Roehampton experience.
- Help support the College Presidents in maintain the community feel of Roehampton. With the academic restructure taking place, and various facilities changing location, 2010/2011 will be an important year in making sure that the different college communities can thrive.
- Support mature, international, off campus, and student parents in their time at Roehampton and make sure that they are able to integrate into the community.
- Continue with the work that has been started and carried out consistently and successfully in the Welfare department of the RSU.

Please make sure you check out my Facebook event for more information about all the work that I have done, and what I would like to do next year as your VP. Welfare and Community.

VOTE BECKY ASTON x x