



Get Vocal! Minutes

14th November

1pm – 2pm

JCR

Get Vocal! is an informal discussion space between the SU co-presidents and the student body. Discussion points are brought by the co-presidents for student feedback and input, and student-led questions and discussions are also welcomed.

Get Vocal! agenda:

1. EDI strategy
2. Climate strikes
3. UCU strikes
4. UG Curriculum Review

1. EDI Strategy

Yousra introduced the work going on with the school in creating a new equality and diversity strategy.

2. Climate strikes

On Friday 29th SOAS students will be taking part in the global climate strikes. Everyone will be meeting on SOAS Steps at 10:30am, moving over to Malet street for 11am to join up with others, before leaving as a collective (with UCU strikers and students from other universities) to join the main march in Westminster.

3. UCU strikes

Valeria raised that there may be UCU strikes happening in February, and discussions were had about student feelings towards the strikes and the current support of strikes by allowing strikers from UCL and Birkbeck to use the JCR at lunchtimes. The need for good communication to students about strikes (what is happening, why lecturers are striking) was highlighted to ensure student support.



4. UG Curriculum Review

A conversation was had about the UG Curriculum review currently taking place. Five working groups exist within the review:

1. Languages
2. Intensive teaching
3. Guided curriculum
4. New core
5. Innovative assessment

A discussion was had with students about the amount of modules available to students, and how this creates clashes. Points were raised in support of the wide range of modules with knowledge of clashes, and in support of having less modules available with knowledge there will be no clashes.

For more information on the curriculum review, or to be involved in a working group, speak to a co-president!