

Be the Change!

Opportunity Profile: JECSA Equality & Diversity Officer



Do you want to make a difference, get some real experience on that CV, meet new people and learn new skills? Well read on...!

THE EQUALITY & DIVERSITY OFFICER*

The Equality and Diversity Officer is a member of the Executive Committee that supports the Student President and helps out with the work they are taking part in. We ask for a minimum commitment **of two hours per week** and you will receive a certificate at the end of the year certified by Volunteer Scotland and a reference from the Students' Association for your future employers.

* Positions may be shared between two or more students, addressing specific areas of interest e.g. Womens, Black/Minority Ethnic, Disabled, LGBT students' issues

Key Actions and Activities:

- Ensure that the aims of the Association are practised without discrimination on the grounds of age, sex, race, religion, creed, sexual orientation, disability or medical condition
- Promote equality throughout the work of the College and the Association
- Attend the College Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Committee, along with the Student President
- Through the President, make representations to appropriate College staff on behalf of any students with Equality, Diversity or Inclusion requirements or considerations

What can you bring and what can we give you?

You will gain valuable skills and insight into this area and how it affects the college as it gives you a seat on the College Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Committee. This post may be of particular interest of you if you are planning on going on to work in the public or voluntary sector where having an understanding of Equality and Inclusion is essential.

We will be working with the Equality and Diversity Inclusion Manger of the college, Maggie Stevenson, to support the campaigns she is doing throughout the year and finding our own ways to raise student awareness on issues such as race, religion, violence against women and mental health.

One of the Students' Association main campaigns this year will be looking at Carers and Young Carers in Further and Higher Education – your support on this would be welcome.

If you have a particular campaign to raise awareness or desire to make a change in terms of Equality and Diversity and make the voice of the minority heard then this is the post for you.

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How to apply for a post at Jewel & Esk Students' Association

Step 1.

Look at the Opportunity Profiles online and see which one fits your skills and interests (you've started this one!)

Step 2.

Fill in the Personal Profile form and return by email to studentpresident@jec.ac.uk

Step 3.

You will have a chat with the Student President to explain the post and chat about what's involved by the

Step 4.

If more than one suitable candidate has applied for the post of Vice President, Secretary or Campus Rep then an election will take place in the week following the October break – you will be given full guidance on how to take part. The elections for elected posts will take place online on Discover.

