You asked for change, we made it happen. A year of big wins by your course rep team.
Working hard to make your student life better

Coming to uni is a major investment of your time, effort and – let’s not forget – money. So, it’s only fair to expect a lot from your course, your lecturers, your school and the University.

The Education Network is here to make sure you get the very best learning experience, whatever you’re studying. We’re a team of over 900 volunteer course reps, education reps and postgraduate sounding board members, led by elected student officers and experts at your Students’ Union. Together, we listen to the changes you want to see – and work hard to make them happen.

This year’s seen some really big wins, so we wanted to share them with you. Don’t forget, if you want to see something change, tell your course rep. We’ll do everything we can to make it happen.

Get in touch with your course rep, email sucoursereps@nottingham.ac.uk

Did you know, we’ve been...

- giving a formal response to the Government’s Higher Education Green Paper
- submitting a detailed response to the Teaching Excellence Framework technical consultation
- getting the University ready for a visit from the Quality Assurance Agency
- working for students’ rights on a national scale

589 Undergraduate Course Reps + 277 Postgraduate Course Reps

44 Education Reps + 10 postgraduate sounding board members

= 920 students working for you as The Education Network
Ever wondered what your course reps do for you?

From fairer marking to extra funding, better resources to wider choices, we’re constantly campaigning for the changes you want to see. We’re making your views heard across the University, creating real, positive change and improving the uni experience for all of us.

You said...
"More internships and placements please!"

- Extra placements and career alerts in English, Microbiology, and Accounting and Finance.
- More information on PhD outreach opportunities in Biosciences and Life Sciences.

An extra week to catch up on your reading

Reps from the School of English secured a faculty-wide directed studies week in week seven of the autumn term.

Found, fought & fixed inconsistent marking

When we found mass inconsistencies in the marking of Health Studies confirmation reviews, we fought for change. Now all reviews happen within a week and are examined by a panel who discuss marking strategies.

New laptop bursary or conference expenses for PhD biosciences students

plus a noticeboard to showcase research

Brand new Hopper bus for physio & sports rehab students

→ City Hospital →

No more public pass lists!

Course reps in the Faculty of Arts fought to ban public pass lists after you told us they had a negative effect on your mental wellbeing.
All lectures recorded on Echo 360 in Accounting and Finance, Medicine, Clinical Microbiology, Philosophy and Veterinary Medicine.

Lots more on Moodle:
- lab handbooks
- revision guides
- extra practice papers
- video resources
- pre-lecture notes

Meet your new faculty reps

Your Education Officer, Beth Massey, is piloting a new scheme for 2016–17, introducing faculty reps alongside your course reps. They’re a direct line to Beth and are already helping faculties work together better for you. She hopes to make the scheme permanent soon.

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Extra revision sessions
in Computer Science
Foundation Engineering and Physical Sciences
Structural Engineering
Pharmacy
Biology

Joint honours students: More choice, more voice!
Studying American Studies and English? You’ll now get a wider choice of final-year modules. Plus there’s now a tutor just for joint honours issues, like choosing your dissertation discipline.

Successful campaigns for extra printing credits
in Architecture and Environmental Design, Health Psychology, Cognitive neuroscience, Landscape and Culture, and Pharmacy

A better experience for international students
Course reps campaigned for international students – and won. Great examples include Stem Cell Technology providing better reading material before the course begins and Operations Management launching The Orators’ Club for extra English speaking practice.
If there's something you'd like to change, we'll help you make it happen. Get in touch with your course rep today, email sucoursereps@nottingham.ac.uk