



**Comhaltas na Mac Léinn
OÉ Gaillimh
NUI Galway
Students' Union**

Students' Union Council Officer Reports 2020/2021

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Report of the President

Tuarascail an Uachtarán

Pádraic Toomey

Details of Work Undertaken from the 22nd of February to the 22nd of March:

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- **Library Re-opening**
Campaigning to increase Library Spaces. Still ongoing with the library now open.
- **#EducationForAll & Accommodation Bill**
Campaigning with USI on bills to fix the accommodation issues that occurred during the pandemic. Then campaigns for reduction in fees & levies.
- **Hump Day Hoolie**
Continuing on its success every week.
- **Run For Election Panel**
Panel to inspire others to run for election with previous full time officers.
- **Sustainability Summit**
Summit to get more students involved with working groups of college to push for change.
- **SU Movie Night**
Events crew weekly event for watching a movie.
- **Sustainability Strategy Launch**
Launch of strategy with Mary Robinson.
- **Student Q&A with University**
Another live Q&A.
- **St. Patrick's Cupcake Bakealong**
Events crew event.
- **SAAI Nominations**
Nominations for various people in the university for awards with SAAI from USI.
- **USI Hustings**
Hustings on all candidate races for USI's elections.

NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
James Hardiman Library Review	Feedback to library review team.
Team meeting	Staff team meeting.
Multiple Studentsurvey.ie meetings	Work on survey promotion.
Disciplinary Committee	
Nominations Committee	Committee to find more members of the governing body of the university
Údarás	Governing Body of the university
SUCS	Students' Union Commercial Services meeting
USI - Presidents' Meeting on bills	Upcoming bills to the Dáil.
Student Services Review	Review of student services from experiences.
CORU general meeting	Meeting about social care students.
Independent Policing Authority	Independent agency on Gardaí.
Hustings Planning	Planning for USI's hustings.
Substance Awareness Week planning	Planning for campaign week.
USI Town Hall	Senators & TDs and students on #EducationForAll
Quality Enhancement Committee (QEC)	Educational committee.
Student Complaint Procedure	Complaints committee.

SUCS & NUIG Meeting	Company meeting
Irish in SUCS meeting	To promote & increase Irish.
Student Passing Protocol meeting	
Exam Security Meeting	Represented a student at the meeting.
Student Health Week Planning	Planning for campaign week.
Fees & Levy WG	Campaigning group.
Student & Learner Wellbeing and Engagement Advisory Group	Feeding into group under Dept. Of Higher Education.
NUI Galway Sustainability Advisory Board	Work on sustainability in university.
Laptop Loan Scheme - Operations group	Phase 3 ongoing and continuing.
NUIGSU Team Meeting	General staff meeting.
ESG Semester 1 Review Meeting	Reviewing cases.
Central Ward Sub Committee	Meeting with Mayor, Gardaí and Councillors.
CETA with other SUs	National campaign and planning.
Nominations Committee	Nominating new members to governing body.
Election Meetings	Various meetings with students interested in running
USI Intro to PTOs	With BMW USI officer.
USI Governance	Governance of USI organisation.

Virtual Officer Hour	Drop in for any student.
Weekly Exec Meeting	Minutes available online.



Report of the Vice President / Education Officer
 Tuarascail an Leas-Uachtarán / Oifigeach Oideachais
 Emma Sweeney

Details of Work Undertaken from the 22nd of February to the 22nd of March:

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- **Stitch & Bitch.**

Running Stitch & Bitch with Niamh our CÉIM Graduate Intern weekly.

- **Run for Election Evening**

Panel discussion on our different positions with previous President's, Education and Welfare Officers and answered questions students had.

- **Academic Strategy Subgroups**

Sitting on 3 of 5 Subgroups for the Academic Strategy as the Student Rep. These are "Graduate Attributes & Core Values", "Teaching & Learning Environment" & "Curriculum Design".

- **OER events**

We have had multiple meetings as a steering and working group, launched our grant scheme and spoke at a CELT Webinar.

- **Jigsaw Training**

Attended the "One good adult training" run by Jigsaw

- **March meetups**

Attend March Meetups run by student services weekly. A great place for students to meet and make friends.

- **Last council**

Working on issues that arose since the last councils such as feedback and motion on lecture recordings being released.

- **Individual Faculty Councils**

Attended the individual faculty councils for Arts x3, Science & Engineering and Business, Public Policy & Law.

- **Teaching Awards**

Sat on the panel for the Teaching Awards in the College of Business, Public Policy and Law and Science and Engineering.

- **Plagiarism incidents**

Met with students, staff and plagiarism officers to discuss issues of plagiarism from S1 exams.

- **Student Achievements Awards Ireland**

Filled out nominations for SAAI

- **Reopening study spaces**

Ran a successful campaign to get the Library Reopened.

- **Enlight**

Meeting with Enlight group in NUIG to discuss progress and brainstorm promotion events. Also attended Student Network meetings with members from other 8 universities involved.

NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
Diversity Week Brainstorm	Brainstormed different possible events for Diversity Week starting April 12th
Virtual Officer Hour	Attended the Virtual Officer hour organised by Aoife (Science and Engineering Convenor) and Martin (PGT Officer)
Part Time Officer Training	Attending the PTO training with Gary Tobin from USI
Discipline Committee	Sat on the disciplinary committee to hear cases
Studentsurvey.ie	Promoted the Survey and attended weekly meetings with the steering group to discuss progress
Comhaltas na Mac Léinn Team Meeting	Meeting of the CML Team

Executive Team/Coiste Gnó meeting	Attending meetings with the Coiste
Intercultural Campus WG	Attended ICWG as part of the EDICC chaired by the VP for internationalisation to discuss how we can tackle substantial issues and increase diversity and have a more welcome campus
Exam Security Committee	Met with the Committee to discuss cases
College of Science and Engineering, Students & Education Committee	Sat on this committee to discuss all aspects of the college particularly course changes
Casework	Met with students to discuss issues with their courses, issues with lecturers & Plagiarism
Re-Orientation follow up	Discussion on follow up activities for re-orientation and ways to improve engagement - decided to run "March Meetups"
Meetings with Student Services	Meeting to discuss Student Health & Academic Success week. Meeting with the Student Support for Remote Learning group
Pilot Proctoring Project Committee	Meeting to discuss proctoring pilot
Introduction to Bystander Intervention Training	Helped organise and run training with Jimmy from chaplaincy
James Hardiman Library Quality Review	Discussed the positive and negative aspects of the library and how it can be improved into the future.
Financial Aid Fund Steering Group	Meeting to discuss decisions needing to be made for funding given, amounts left and other issues that have arisen
Údarás na hOllscoile	Sat on the Governing Authority of the University

USI Town Hall	Panel discussion with politicians and students on accomodation crisis.
CML & ULSL	Meeting between CMLOÉG & Student Life from UL
Meeting with PGR Officer	Discussing how to get more involvement and streamline PGR rep processes. Currently writing a proposition paper for Head of Schools and Dean of Graduate Studies.
NStEP Training	Attended Class Rep NStEP training
Meeting with Convenor for Science & Engineering	Meeting to discuss resolving issues that arose from council, plan to meet with the Vice Dean for Teaching & Learning



Report of the Vice President / Welfare & Equality Officer
 Tuarascail an Leas-Uachtarán / an Oifigeach Leasa agus Comhionannais
 Róisín Nic Lochlainn

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- **Seachtain na Gaeilge 1st - 18th March:**

Events on Daily; Tae agus Plé, USI Seiminéar na Gaeilge, Biongó, Caife Cainte, Gaeilge 101, Paineál Cainte, Pop-Up Gaeltacht, Ceardlann Ióga, Netflix Party, Comhrá le hEoghain MacCormaic

- **Hump Day Hoolie**
- **Re-Open the Study Spaces**
Campaign lobbying the university to open the library and other spaces
- **USI Hustings**

- Hustings for upcoming USI elections
- **Run for Election Panel**
Panel with other current and previous SU officers to encourage students to run
 - **UCC FemSoc Panel**
Panelist on UCC FemSoc “Women in Politics” discussion
 - **N-Dustry Podcast**
Podcast episode on student life
 - **Period Poverty action - library**
Free pads and tampons put into library bathrooms
 - **SAAI nominations**
Nominating students, societies, officers etc for the USI awards
 - **SIN articles**
 - **Galway Pulse articles**
 - **Flirt FM Interview**
 - **Student Survey Promotion**
 - **Threshold Q&A**
Organising an accommodation Q&A with threshold for Wed 24th March on Insta live

NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
1-1 Disciplinary Advice Meetings	Advice in advance of accompanying students to discipline hearings
Feminist Society	Meeting with FemSoc regarding NUIG sexual harassment policy; procedures in place for reporting and supporting, reviewing the policy itself. Follow Up meeting and sub committee created
CMLOÉG/UL Student Life	SU meeting with UL students’ union
Galway Sexual Health Forum	Forum surrounding sexual health consisting of key organisations in County Galway
Student Welfare Group	Student Welfare Committee made up of chaplaincy, student services, counselling, DSS, International Office, Mature students office, SU

	etc - to discuss all wellbeing related issues and updates on any student issues
1-1 Casework	Meeting with individual students virtually
Societies Inclusivity Weekend - meeting with Socs' Chairperson	Meeting with the Societies' Chairperson regarding the inclusivity weekend "le chéile" going through the plans and logistics and different trainings/ideas
CMLOÉG Team Meeting	Weekly Meeting - check in and updates
Financial Aid Steering Group	Steering Committee for the Financial Aid Fund
1-1 Discipline Advice	Advice in advance of accompanying students to discipline hearings
Discipline Committee	Accompanied students to disciplinary hearings
Re-Orientation follow up	Follow Up for feedback following on from re-orientation and plans for future events
Údarás na hOllscoile	Meeting of the Governing Authority of NUIG
University of Sanctuary Steering Committee	Steering Committee Meeting of the University of Sanctuary initiative
Athena SWAN SAT	
Active* Consent Launch	Spoke on a panel alongside Galway Rape Crisis Centre, USI, Active*Consent and Simon Harris at the active* consent "Start Here" campaign launch
Cruinniú Pleanála	Planning meeting for themed weeks
Accessibility Steering Group	Steering group of the accessibility committee (Sub committee of Údarás)
Environmental and Sustainability WG	Fortnightly meeting of the SU sustainability working group

USI Hustings Planning Meeting	Team meeting to plan what format USI election hustings will take
1-1 Casework	1-1 dealings with students
SU Exec Meeting	Weekly executive team meeting
USI Congress Motions Prioritisation	Meeting going through which motions will be prioritised by CMLOEG at USI congress
Themed Week Planning	Attended planning meeting for university themed weeks
USI Town Hall Meeting	USI Town Hall Meeting for EducationForAll with TDs and Senators
Sustainability Summit	Planned for and attended NUIG sustainability summit which showcased all of NUIG's different sustainability initiatives including the SU working group
Higher Education Dáil Bill	Met with Richard Boyd Barrett to contribute points regarding his party's dáil motion on Higher Education
1-1 Casework	1-1 dealings with students
Student Death Protocol	Student death protocol meeting.
1-1 Discipline Advice	Advice in advance of accompanying students to discipline hearings
CMLOEG/TCDSU	Meeting with 3 CMLOEG full timers and Trinity College Dublin SU
1-1 Discipline Advice	Advice in advance of accompanying students to discipline hearings
Student Welfare Meeting	Student Welfare Committee made up of chaplaincy, student services, counselling, DSS, International Office, Mature students office, SU

	etc - to discuss all wellbeing related issues and updates on any student issues
Launch of Sustainability Strategy NUIG	Attended the launch of NUIG 2021 sustainability strategy
CMLOÉG Team Meeting	Weekly team staff meeting
SU Exec Meeting	Weekly SU Executive team meeting
Safety Working Group	Meeting of the working group for all safety related issues in the university
Discipline Committee	Accompanied students to disciplinary hearings
1-1 Casework	1-1 dealings with students
Q&A President/Becky Whay	Live Q&A
Feminist Society/Counselling Service	Follow Up meeting with femsoc and the counselling services regarding procedures for disclosure within counselling - ideas of possible survivor groups, consent modules and other feedback
CMLOÉG and USI BMW	Attended the Part Time Officer training given by Gary Tobin (USI BMW) to CMLOÉG
Financial Aid Fund Emergency Hardship Sub-Committee	Meeting to assess applications to the student emergency hardship fund
Planning Meeting	Diversity Week brainstorming for possible events (Starting April 12th)
Virtual Officer Hour	Attended the Virtual Officer hour organised by Aoife (Science and Engineering Convenor) and Martin (PGT Officer)
SU Exec Meeting	Weekly SU executive team meeting
HEA Mental Health Funding Update	

Welfare Meeting with Postgrad Taught Officer/Science and Engineering Convenor	Meeting with Mairtín (postgrad taught officer) and Aoife (science and engineering convenor) regarding welfare and general student updates
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Tuairisc an Oifigigh Gaeilge

Erin Mac An tSaoir

Sonraí don obair ó 22ú Feabhra - 22ú Marta

- D'fhreastal mé ar imeachtaí Seachtain na Gaeilge
- Ag bualadh le SUCS & bainistíocht na hOllscoile faoin nGaeilge

NUI Galway Meetings

Cruinniú	Sonraí
An Ghaeilge in SUCS	Bhuail mé le SUCS chun scéim teangan don chomhlacht a phlé
Scéim Chónaithe	Bhuail mé le bainistíocht na hOllscoile faoi scéim chónaithe a bheidh á thosnú i Meán Fómhair seo chugainn
Uair na hOifigigh	D'fhreastal mé ar an <i>Virtual Officer Hour</i>
Cruinnithe an Choiste Gnó	D'fhreastal mé ar chruinnithe an Chosite Gnó
Ag Cruthú Rúin do Chomhairle na Mac Léinn	Chruthaigh mé rúin chun an Ghaeilge a dhéanamh níos lárnaí in obair an Chomhaltais
Cruinniú faoi sholáthair Ranganna Gaeilge saor in aisce	Phléigh mé céard í an tslí is fearr le déanamh cinnte go bhfuil ranganna Gaeilge ar fáil saor in aisce i Meán Fómhair seo chugainn



Report of the Societies Chairperson
 Tuarascail an Cathaoirleach na gCumann
Barry Sugrue

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- **Le Chéile Weekend** - Chaired committee for organising an inclusivity weekend for Socs and Clubs.
- **Meeting with the head of SocsBox** - Scheduled a weekly meeting with the head of Socs Box to keep each other up to date on work being done.
- **USCG meeting** - Attended my second USCG meeting.
- **Biongó trí Ghaeilge** - Helped organise and hosted Bingo through Irish during Seachtain na Gaeilge.

NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
Executive Committee Meetings	Attended all of my executive committee meetings.
Virtual Office Hour.	
USI BMW training about USI	
Attended Run for Election meeting	Represented my role at the Run for Election Meeting.

Met with VP Welfare and Equality	Discussed Le Chéile weekend and the need for more training for Societies.
TG4 Interview	In relation to the essay penalty given by the university.
Met with individual societies to answer queries.	



Report of the Clubs' Captain
 Tuarascail an Captaen na gClubanna
 Kirsty Moran

Details of Work Undertaken from the 22nd of February to the 22nd of March

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- **Women's Student Coaching Academy** - Originally pitched to NUIG Sports Unit as a coaching scholarship, was pitched to a panel of HP athletes, coaches, sports journalists, sports psychologists, and NGB reps and there is currently a working group in Student Sport Ireland established working on the project proposal. No longer just NUIG now multiple Universities are interested in this program.
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NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
Student Sport Ireland AGM	Represented NUIG, reported back information and voted on elections/motions.
Sports Unit Check Ins	Weekly meeting with Sports Unit Staff to ensure progression of projects and resolving of issues.

March Lunch-Time Meet-Ups	SU and clubs rep at meet-ups for students to mingle/ find out about opportunities/ ask questions in clubs, socs, SU and student services.
Clubs Forum	Meeting with club captains discussing the following Advisory Committee, Student Levy, Sports Project Fund, Student Coaching Academy, Online Training, NUIG Sport Podcast, Events/Guest Speakers.
Podcast Meeting	
Clubs Development Training	Assisted sports unit in providing clubs with club development training
Diversity Week Planning	



Report of the SU Council Chairperson
 Tuarascail an Cathaoirleach na Comhairle do Chomhaltas na Mac Léinn
 Fionn Sexton Connolly

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NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
SU Council IV	Chaired my first SU Council

Discipline Committee	Represented the Union on the NUIG Discipline committee.
Galway RCC Disclosure training	
Attended College Councils for Arts.	
Class Reps Social evening	I organised an evening for Reps to have a chat and a coffee together following the last Council.
Part time officer training.	USI Organised Part time officer training.
Q&A With the NUIG President.	I questioned Ciaran on the expansion of CEIM to all first years.



Report of the Convenor of the College of Arts, Social Sciences & Celtic Studies
 Tuarascail an Tionólaí Choláiste na nDán, na nEolaíochtaí Sóisialta & an Léinn Cheiltigh
 Claire McHale

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NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details



Report of the Convenor of the College of Science and Engineering
 Tuarascáil an Tionólaí Choláiste na hEolaíochta agus na hInnealtóireachta
 Aoife Buckley

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- **March Meet-ups** - Attended weekly March meet-ups for science and engineering students hosted by the university
- **SAAI Nominations** - Put in nominations for USI SAAI awards
- **Emails**
- **Casework** - with several students on a range of issues
- Promoted CEIM Applications on CML Instagram

NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
Library Study Spaces	Meeting with Staff to discuss study spaces in new library plan
SU Council	Attended SU council
Weekly Exec meetings	Minutes available online

CSE EDI Committee Meeting	Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in the College of Science and Engineering
Meeting with Student	RE Exam Breach procedure
Q&A with President	Attended Q & A
Part Time Officer Training and Intro to USI	Held by Gary Tobin USI VP for Border, Midlands and Western Region
Science and Engineering Council	Hosted Science and Engineering Council where issues and queries from class reps were brought up, Gary Tobin also gave class reps and intro to USI
Virtual Officer Hour	Myself and Martin (PG Taught Officer) had several meetings to plan the event and hosted it
Meeting With VP Education	Met with Emma to discuss issues arising from council
CSE Internationalisation Committee meeting	Attended the committee meeting, raised issues and introduction to ENLIGHT within CSE
Seachtain na Gaeilge	Attended several events including Seachtain na Gaeilge Biongó hosted by Barry
Election Meetings	Had meetings with Various students considering running for Convener of Science and Engineering, discussed what the role entails
Meeting With VP Welfare and PG Taught Officer	Met with Róisín and Mairtín to discuss Welfare issues and other general student issues

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- Preparation for launch of Schwartz Rounds for CMNHS students
- Raising awareness regarding decision that not all final medicine graduates will be offered a intern position
- Production of promotional material reminding students of NUIG to get tested if showing symptoms of COVID-19
- Preparation for upcoming class rep council of CMNHS reps

NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
Executive meetings	Weekly meeting with rest of Exec
Schwartz Round Steering Committee	Meeting of steering committee for Schwartz Rounds
Individual student meetings	Case Work
Meeting with SU president	Discussing with Padraic the issues final medicine students are facing and having them brought up with the USI
Class rep council	Meeting of all class reps



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Report of the Convenor of the College of Business, Public Policy & Law
Tuarascail an Tionólaí Choláiste an Ghnó, an Bhearis Phoiblí agus an Dlí
Victor Igonin

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NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
Meeting re-role	Brought up to speed by the Vice president for education in relation to responsibilities as Convener.
New Officers	Hosted by the President jointly with Chris Newell to bring further up to speed on union affairs.
Discipline Committee	Underwent training.
Executive Meetings	Weekly meetings with the executive committee.
Meeting individual students	Case work.
Meeting Class reps	Case work.
Virtual Officer Hour	Open QnA session with the executive Committee.

Lecture Liaison	Met with lecturers regarding assignment times.
Students Union Council IV	Attended the session.
Double Virtual hour	Met class reps of the 3 colleges and discuss
Liaison with Commerce Course Director & NUIG admin staff	Jointly with the Vice president for Education contributed to ensuring semester class rep meetings were held for all courses in the 3 colleges.
All-Staff Webinar	Briefing around recent UMT appointments, HR policies, development and initiatives, LIFT for staff, Focus on

	wellbeing, new strategy for the irihs language and a Q&A session.



Report of the Postgraduate Taught Officer
 Tuarascail an Oifigeach na nIarchéimithe i mbun Teagasctha
 Martin Smyth / Mairtin Mac Gabhann

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- SAAI Nominations
- Postgraduate Council - Hosted by Myself and Sebastian Postgraduate Research Officer
- Virtual Officer Hour - Hosted by Myself along with the Assistance of Aoife (Convenor of Science and Engineering)

NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
Casework	1 - 1 with Undergraduate and Postgraduate Students
Executive Meeting	Weekly Meeting with the Executive Team / Coiste
Student Council IV	Open to All Students / Class REPS. Motions that were voted on are being worked on.
Discipline Committee	Represented the Student Union on this Committee

Meeting with Disability Rights Officer	Various Issues facing Students in Undergraduate and Postgraduate Courses
Meetings - (1 -1)	Various University Staff Members to Discuss Issues Arising
Virtual Officer Hour	Hosted by myself along with the Assistance of Aoife (CSE). This allowed students to attend at this time to speak with Individuals on the Executive Team
Meeting with Convenor of Science and Engineering	Discuss and Plan 'Virtual Officer hour' - Promotion and Invites
SHAG Week	Attended / Promoted the Various Events organised by the VP Welfare
Seachtain na Gaeilge	Attended / Promoted the Various Events organised by the VP Welfare
Galway City Strategy Meeting	Overview of the Future Plans on the Rebuilding of the Westside of Galway City - Student Representative
Postgraduate Working Group	USI - Adam Clarke. Discussed Issues facing Postgraduate Taught Students and the Need to Reform postgraduate Funding. Discussed Motion being brought to USI
Convenor Meeting (Various Colleges)	Meeting with Convenors to discuss issues arising within the University
Webinar	Mason Hayes Curran Webinar
Panel Discussion	Sexual Education reform within The Irish Education System - Possibility of Programme Being Created for Third Level Students
Graduate Studies Meeting	Postgraduate updates
Run for Elections Evening	Attended with Previous Union Presidents and Vice Presidents of 20 / 21 Committee

Sustainability Strategy	Attended along with University Colleagues. With Guest / Visitor Mary Robinson
Part Time Officer Training	Hosted by Gary Tobin - BMW (Border Midlands and Western Region) Officer. Training Provided to give insight into USI
Library Strategy Meeting	Anne Scott
James Hardiman Library Meeting	Discussion on the 'Future Library' Student Input on what we would like to see / improvements that are vital.
USI Hustings	Allowing USI Candidates to Speak with Students in NUIG
Town Hall Meeting	Hosted by Craig M Hugh - USI #Educationforall / Education For All. In Attendance were Senators and TDS from Various Governmental Parties
Fees and Levy Working Group	Discuss various ways to tackle the issue of Fees within the University
Welfare Working Group	Hosted By Róisín VP Welfare
GRCC Disclosure Training	Held by Galway City Rape Crisis Centre. With Amanda and Michelle
University Q & A (II)	With President Ciaran O Hogartaigh / Becky Whay
Meeting with VP Welfare	Discuss Upcoming Events. Reform in the Application Process in Applying for Hardship Funding / PME Funding
Staff Webinar	Updates were given to University Staff
Postgraduate Symposium	Hosted by Adam Clarke USI
Postgraduate Council	Chaired this Event Along with Sebastian (PGR). Issues Facing Postgraduate Students throughout the University were raised

Election Meeting	Meeting with Various Students about my Role within the Student Union
GAISCE	Working on Assisting Students with Achieving their Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards
Bystander Training	Attended with Emma VP Welfare
Welfare Meeting	With Roisin VP Welfare and Aoife Convenor of Science and Engineering regarding Student Welfare and general Updates =
LIFT - Leading Ireland's Future Together	Discussion on how it has been rolled out throughout the University. Working on having a Group Roundtable
International Women's Day Event	Webinar hosted by School of Law NUIG



Report of the Postgraduate Research Officer
Tuarascail an Oifigeach na nIarchéimithe i mbun Taighde
Sebastiaan Bierema

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NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
Meetings with Dean of Graduate Studies	Discussing a range of issues that need to be addressed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elections of postgrad class reps • Paying postgrads for teaching

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raising stipends to keep up with cost of living and other phd stipends in Ireland <p>The first point was pretty positive, but when it comes to the welfare of postgrads trying to achieve anything is like running through a brick wall</p>
Meeting with USI postgrad VP	Discussing motions for USI congress
Meeting with Biochem tutors and PGWA	Trying to develop a strategy to get tutors paid for tutoring. In this current case, postgrads from different departments are tutoring on the same module, and some of them are paid while others are not.
Meeting with student	Trying to negotiate with the fees office
SU exec meetings	Exec related activities
Meeting with Education VP	Discussing elections of postgrad reps - trying to coordinate between SU reps and PhD reps to school boards
Meeting with Library Review Committee	Reviewed how well the library is doing what it's supposed to do



Report of the Mature Students' Officer
Tuarascail an Oifigeach na Mac Léinn Lánfhásta
Michelle Mitchell

Details of Work Undertaken from the 22nd of February to the 22nd of March:

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- Plagiarism training
1-1 with mature students

- **Referencing training**
Opportunity for weekly training
- **Q&A Live with NUI Galway President**
Period poverty
- **Casework 1 to 1**
Financial Aid & fees, additional grants available
- **Sexual Health**
Provision of information for students under my remit
- **Mental Health**
1-1 work with students, referral to services available
- **Compliance of policy**
Social media policy updated
- **Mature Student Officers**
Engaging with MSO for additional requirements, discussion of updates.
- **Sign Language Bill, 2017**
Campaign to make NUI Galway, USI & NUS compliant on ISL interpreters or Sub-Titles for every event, every seminar, every voice-over of a presentation. Inclusion is essential. EDUCATION FOR ALL must include total communication provision.
- **Period Poverty**
Updated mature students, provision of period products

NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
Drop-In Clinic	Mature Student - Tuesdays 10-12
Drop-in Clinic	Mature Students - Thursdays 12:00-16:00
SU Executive	Meetings for updating progress
SU Council	Class-Reps
Disciplinary Committee	Processing disciplinary action Part 1 of 2
PTO Training	With USI (Gary) roles of the USI & NUS

Virtual Officer Hour	Virtual Officer hour organised by Aoife (Science and Engineering Convenor) and Martin (PGT Officer)



Report of the International Students Officer
 Tuarascail an Oifigeach na Mac Léinn Idirnáisiúnta
 Niamh Quinn

Details of Work Undertaken from the 22nd of February to the 22nd of March:

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NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
Individual students	Meeting with individual students discussing issues such as fees and university support structures
SU Executive Meeting	Weekly exec meetings
Enlight Project	Briefed on enlight project activities and upcoming plans
PTO USI Training	Introduction to USI training
ISS Committee Meeting	Attending weekly meetings, discussing upcoming events and initiatives for international students



Report of the Gender and LGBT+ Rights Officer
 Tuarascail an Oifigeach um Chearta Inscne agus LADT+
 Maeve Arnup

Details of Work Undertaken from the 22nd of February to the 22nd of March:

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- Liaised with Bródsoc about sending delegates to Purple Training.
- Communication with Maynooth Pride Society to organise delegates for Purple Training.
- Assisting students one-on-one
- Organising speakers for an event for diversity week.

NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
Meeting with VP for Equality and Diversity, Anne Scott	A meeting to talk through the complications and issues with the name changing process in the university.
Exec Meetings	Weekly meetings



Report of the Disability Rights Officer
 Tuarascail an Oifigeach um Chearta Michumais
Patricia O'Mahony

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NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details



Report of the Ethnic Minorities Officer
 Tuarascail an Oifigeach um Eithneach Mionlach

Details of Work Undertaken from the 22nd of February to the 22nd of March:

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- Emailed potential panelists for BLM webinar
- Assisting students one-on-one through email

NUI Galway Meetings

Meeting Title	Details
SU Council	Attended my first SU Council - the third of the academic year
Diversity Week Brainstorm Session	Brainstormed different possible events for Diversity Week starting April 12th
Virtual Officer Hour	Attended the Virtual Officer hour, where students could drop-by with any queries
Run for Election Meeting	
Weekly SU Exec Meetings	
Meeting with a student	RE diversity & inclusivity on campus
Meeting with a Professor of the Moore Institute	RE Black Lives Matter webinar