



Manchester Medical Student Community (MMSC) Deputy Student Lead

Overall Purpose:

The Deputy Student Lead in each MMSC will support and learn from the MMSC Champion and Student Lead. Having spent one year as Deputy Student Lead they will subsequently become Student Lead, providing continuity to ensure that MMSCs enjoy consistently high quality student leadership.

Why should I apply?

As well as having plenty of opportunities to network with students and staff across Bases and campus, you will also gain and develop a large variety of transferable skills, which are increasingly crucial for future applications.

Some of these will include:

- Communication skills
- Leadership skills
- Negotiation
- Planning and organisation
- Mediation
- Problem Solving
- Teamwork
- Initiative
- Time Management
- Networking skills

What would the role involve?

Deputy Student Leads will:

- Work with and shadow the Student Lead to in order a smooth handover into the Student Lead role;
- Assist and support the Student Lead and MMSC Champion in the achievement of the 5 key aims;
- Attend training organised by the MMSC Coordinator and MMSC Champions in preparation for assuming the role of Student Lead in the following year.
- Ensure there is student leadership within each MMSC, acting as a conduit between individual students and the MMSC Champion;
- Introduce themselves, and be accessible to all members of their MMSC, either in person or via The Hub;
- Work collaboratively with the academic Student Representatives (Programme reps, Year reps and Transition reps); both by disseminating messages and by raising student issues to them;
- Be committed to the role in both time and effort, whilst appreciating their own academic studies must always be the first priority;
- Work with the Student Lead and MMSC Mentors to increase engagement within MMSC mentoring;
- Log onto The Hub at least 3 times a week (but daily is advisable) and respond to messages in a timely manner;
- Work collaboratively with other MMSC Deputy and Student Leads to disseminate best practice.



What support can I expect?

- Deputy Student Leads will be fully supported throughout their role, through the mentoring and shadowing of the Student Lead and MMSC Champion.
- Full initial and on-going training will be provided.
- The MMSC Coordinator and MMSC Champion will be in frequent contact with the Deputy and Student Lead, working with them to develop their MMSC further.
- The MMSC Coordinator will provide on-going support and advice as well as administrative help.

How do I apply?

- To apply for the role, or to seek further information please contact [Isabella Fairclough](#), a moderator in your MMSC group on The Hub (www.medstudents.manchester.ac.uk)
- Deputy Student Lead candidates are year two students. The Deputy Student Lead is elected by all students in their MMSC every year at the start of semester 2.
- The Deputy Student Lead automatically becomes Student Lead in 2014/15.

Elections:

- The Deputy Student Lead role will be advertised to the student body and self-nominations will be invited from students interested in the posts.
- Students interested in the role will need to apply by the advertised date. Late applications will not be accepted.
- Should more than one applicant put themselves forward, then an election will take place. Applicants will be invited to write a manifesto statement of up to 300 words, which will be posted on The Hub. Voting shall take place electronically via The Hub.
- Results of the election will be announced on The Hub.
- Deputy Student Leads will be elected annually, with the previous Deputy becoming the new Student Lead.