

UNIVERSITY NETBALL OFFICER (Voluntary position)

University of Manchester

Role Description

Purpose of role:

The purpose of the University Netball Officer (UNO) is to increase participation in Netball within the University of Manchester through the development, implementation and, where appropriate, delivery of a menu of opportunities.

Qualifications required:

No formal qualifications are required to complete the role although an interest and enthusiasm for Netball is needed. Knowledge of coaching and/or officiating may be beneficial but is not essential.

Key responsibilities

- To facilitate the provision of an appropriate menu of Netball opportunities within the university setting.
- To forge links with the local Netball community encouraging and enabling students to gain additional participation opportunities in community settings.
- To act as a key communication point between the Netball community and the student population
- To promote wider Netball opportunities, in particular coach, official and volunteer development opportunities
- To monitor and report to England Netball and University of Manchester the number of students involved in the programmes delivered by the UNO role
- Operate in line with England Netball and University of Manchester policies highlighted in the Volunteer Agreement

Training and Support provided

The role will be supported by England Netball, University of Manchester and a local support network.

A full training needs analysis will be conducted with the UNO and a bespoke training programme produced once appointed. An annual UNO training conference will be held

Commitment

This is a voluntary role that has been designed to complement and fit alongside your academic studies. It is appreciated that there will be times when studies have to take priority, e.g. exam periods etc. but it is hoped that the successful candidate will be able to volunteer for on average approximately 4 – 8 hours per week.

Supervision and Management

The UNO will report to England Netball's Greater Manchester Netball Development Officer and University of Manchester Sport Participation Manager who both will offer support and guidance as necessary. The Netball Development Officer will visit and conduct telephone calls with the UNO but will not be on the university site on a daily/weekly basis.

The local Support Network may also be available to offer support and if necessary supervision.

Benefits

It is hoped that the UNO will benefit significantly through undertaking this role. Some of the key benefits include;

- England Netball kit
- Equipment to carry out role
- Allocation of tickets to selected international and Superleague games
- Marketing collateral provided to support the role
- Training opportunities e.g. coaching and officiating qualifications
- Opportunity to be part of a yearlong, purposeful work experience opportunity
- Access to small funding pots to support delivery within the role
- References provided
- Support when applying for jobs in the future through the use of an 'employable skills log'

Person Specification/Skills required

Qualifications

- Good standard of oral/written English (Essential)

Skills and Knowledge

- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills (Essential)
- Ability to motivate people (Essential)
- Excellent facilitation skills, e.g. co-ordinating activities etc. (Essential)
- Ability to effectively use social media (e.g. Twitter, Facebook) (Essential)
- Knowledge of Netball, e.g. basic rules (Essential)
- Technical netball knowledge (e.g. playing, coaching, officiating) (Desirable)
- IT literate (Desirable)

Attributes

- Enthusiastic (Essential)
- Can do attitude (Essential)
- Organised (Essential)
- Commitment (Essential)
- Passionate about sport and netball (Essential)
- Appreciation of differing motivations of participants to play Netball, e.g. for social purposes (Essential)

Experience

- Working as part of a team (Essential)
- Communicating with different audiences (Essential)
- Experience of promoting projects and programmes (Essential)