

KATIE

FOR

PREZ



**THE
PEOPLE'S
PRESIDENT**



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VOTE KATIE #1

THE PEOPLE'S PRESIDENT

A president who understands YOUR needs

NEW STUDENT CENTRE

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VOTE KATIE4PREZ ON MARCH 14TH

MY WINS THIS YEAR

You chose me as your Communities Officer and I have not let you down.

I have spent a year listening to and understanding your needs as students, bringing in positive change and representation for ALL communities on campus

REPRESENTATION

Fought for a student led Union and University

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Worked with Ukrainian refugees, Sanctuary Students, LGBTQI+ community, Student Parents, International Students

SENSORY ROOM

Chill out space for Neurodivergent students

CHARITY WEEK

A week of events, activities and student engagement

SUPPORT FOR PALESTINE

Attended protests, donation collaboration with societies, passed BDS motion

POSTGRADUATE ENGAGEMENT

Hosted events, collaborated with and supported the PSU

WHO AM I?



**YOUR CURRENT
COMMUNITIES OFFICER**

I studied Marketing,
Consumption & Society

**THAT GIRL WHO
SHAVED HER HEAD FOR
CHARITY IN STABLES**

I was the First
Seven Weeks
Coordinator and
Societies Officer
before
Communities
Officer



**THE STUDENT OFFICER WHO
RUNS AROUND CAMPUS ASKING
QUESTIONS WITH A TINY MIC**



NEW STUDENT CENTRE

As your Communities Officer, I have listened and been fighting for the New Student Centre to be pushed over the line for September 2024

I understand your frustration and questions, which is why, as President, I will ensure the space is open and ready to use for students by September.

I have sat in talks as the voice for students, ensuring the centre has policies **prioritising student use** and NOT commercial, which I will continue to uphold as your Student President.

If elected President, I promise an engaging student centre, with lots of activities and space - open late and on weekends/during holidays





OLD STUDENT CENTRE

The current Student Centre was built for students, by students.

As President, I promise to lobby for this building to remain a space for students and **NOT** University staff/offices.

My experience this year has shown a dire need for student social space, study space and front facing services.

As President, I will sit on the Student Centre Management Committee and push for this building to be kept for students needs, as the UL population continues to grow, with less and less facilities to fit the needs of the growing student community.

If I am elected President, I assure you the courtyard will remain THE STUDENT COURTYARD

EVENTS

As Communities Officer, I have worked very closely with the Student Life Events team to bring you lots of experiences and memories this year - including Welcome Back Wolfpack, THE TUMBLING PADDIES and ABBAESQUE

As President, I will use that relationship to bring more diverse acts, small and large scale events year round

I will be a President who listens to students, giving you what you want from your events team, Clubs and Societies and more...

I promise that no courtyard gig will cost you over €15

ELECTRONIC STUDENT CARD

As President, I will lobby UL to develop an easy and accessible Electronic Student Card for students which can be used for all student facilities - **including the Library!**



PARKING

As President, I will push the University for **FREE STUDENT parking** across campus



UL are currently unable to build more parking due to the City Council. As President, I pledge to lobby Limerick Council to grant UL emergency planning permission for parking, empowering students to lobby local councillors in the run up to the Local Elections.

I will force the University to install card machines on paid car parks, as they have previously promised - no more rooting for coins in a cashless college!

ACCOMMODATION

Enough is enough!

We all know the accommodation crisis is a minefield.

As President, I will do **everything** I can to advocate for homeless students, commuter students and all those affected by the lack of accommodation and increasing cost of living.

- Continue to fight for the building of more student accommodation on campus
- Create plans for more commuter-friendly events, facilities and opportunities year-round
- Organise information sessions on tenants' rights

COMMUTER STUDENTS

As the team who brought you a bigger and better Commuter Hub this year, I will develop a permanent space for commuter students, with more food and supplies to keep you going every day

BUS SHELTER

As President, I will hold UL buildings and estates accountable to the rising number of commuter students and their needs by **mandating** a new bus shelter

I will lobby UL for a permanent evening commuter space in the First Seven Weeks Hub, year round

Gone are the days of waiting in the rain at an overcrowded bus stop



THERAPY DOGS ON CAMPUS

As Communities Officer, I have learned to listen to and understand your needs as students.

Positive Mental health is vital to a student's experience in UL, so as President, I will provide a safe space for you to destress and chill out with visiting puppies and dogs.

I will have Therapy dogs visit campus every two weeks, a partnership I am already working on with the Library team.



POSTGRADUATE

I am the first postgraduate to be elected an officer in UL Student Life. I have hosted multiple events for postgrads this year, and been an active voice for Postgrad Students in UL

As a postgrad, **I care deeply about representing postgraduate needs**, supporting day to day struggles from accommodation to financial stress

As President, I will hold Student Life accountable to their constitutional obligations as a Union for ALL, ensuring the postgrad voice is always represented, especially when planning events, campaigns and student supports

As Communities Officer, I have worked closely with the Postgraduate Student Union and as President, will continue to build strong inter-union relations, to the benefit of postgrad students.

PHD SUPPORTS

As President, I will continue to lobby hard and fight fiercely for PhDs to be recognised for their contributions to UL

I will go above and beyond to raise PhD student stipends to an actual living wage during this current cost of living crisis

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

If there's one thing I know, it's UL Wolves!

I have considerable experience in Clubs and Societies from starting as a student on several committees since my first year and as last year's Societies Officer, to your current C&S Council and Executive Chair. I want to use that knowledge to help grow and educate the Wolfpack.

**BELONG TO THE PACK
VOTE KATIE4PREZ**

As President, I commit to lobbying for funding from UL in line with increasing membership numbers - a process I have already begun

I will continue representing Clubs and Societies issues at University level

I will work my hardest to encourage, develop and rebuild the community spirit of C&S and the Wolfpack

VOTE KATIE #1

THE PEOPLE'S PRESIDENT

A President For YOU

As Student Communities Officer, I have spent a year working with YOU, for YOU.

I have organised events, workshops, and protests. I have given you quiet spaces, gigs you loved, and support when you needed it. I have stepped up and provided student supports that the university has been failing to supply.

I have worked with sanctuary students, Ukrainian refugees, student parents, LGBTQI+ students, disabled students, and every single student who has asked me for support. I've attended your protests and I've danced at your parties.

I know what UL students want and need, and I know that far better than candidates who haven't ever engaged with Student Life and don't know what it does, or candidates who haven't spoken to you all year.

I've been here for you all year, and I want to be a President who is here for you all next year.

Vote Katie for President on 14th March

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