

University of Nottingham Students' Union Education Network Award Video Transcript

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The awards video was included segments from Cassie Ulrich (CU) the Students' Union Education Officer and Abdi Ahmed (AA) the Postgraduate Officer.

Opening statements:

CU: Hi, I'm Cassie Ulrich your Students' Union Education Officer. Thank you for tuning in to this year's Education Network Awards. The Education Network is part of the University of Nottingham Students Union and is home to almost over 700 academic representatives. This includes undergraduate and postgraduate Course Reps, Education Reps and Faculty Reps.

These students represent you all in general areas like assessment, feedback and student support and less foreseeable issues like industrial action and Covid-19. If you're a rep, know that you've been pivotal in championing, improving the student experience and making sure the student voice is heard.

I'm so lucky that I have had the opportunity to work with so many of you personally this year. If you know you're reps, share you're thanks with them directly or leave a comment below. Some of our reps have held multiple positions over multiple years – they're Education Network veterans! Or some of them will have started their role this year. No matter your experience, you've all done brilliantly.

This year has been non-stop with challenges our student had to experience and I'm so proud, and so grateful, for every student in the Education Network. Without you, I couldn't do my job and I know I wouldn't enjoy it half as much either.

Congratulations to you all for completing this year as reps and a special congratulations to those nominated for awards and of course, our winners.

AA: Hi everyone! My name is Abdi and I am the Postgraduate Officer and I co-lead the Education Network along with Cassie, who is the Education Officer.

So, in order to win one of the awards here today course reps have either nominated themselves or were nominated for one of the following awards:

- UG Course Rep of the Year
- Education Rep of the Year
- UG Faculty Rep of the Year
- Campaign of the Year
- Collaborative Project of the Year
- PG Course Rep of the Year
- PG Faculty Rep of the Year
- School/Department/Division of the Year

A total of 80 course reps have been nominated and were shortlisted to just 40. Reasons for nomination ranged from innovation, advocating for student issues, leadership and more.

Thank you to everyone who supported and next, I'd like to introduce the first award.

Slide show, showing each category and the relevant winners. See below list.

- UG Course Rep of the Year: Rebecca Nye
- Education Rep of the Year: Nemira Zilinskaite
- UG Faculty Rep of the Year: Jake Bloodworth
- Campaign of the Year: Lilith Hudson with #knowyourrep
- Collaborative Project of the Year: Benjamin Richards, Razan Alshawaf, Farid Ismail, Lucy Bradley, Anastasia Koncz and Rithika Lakhwani for feedback work done during the Coronavirus pandemic
- PG Course Rep of the Year: Amna Ibrahim
- PG Faculty Rep of the Year: Hayfa Sharif
- School/Department/Division of the Year: Sociology and Social Policy

Next sequence shows a selection of staff around the University and Students' Union (UoNSU) who sent in a thank you messages:

- **Dr Max L. Wilson, Associate Professor in Human-Computer Interaction:** *claps and gives thumbs up for reps*
- **Emma Whitt, Assistant Professor in Psychology:** "Thank You"
- **Thomas Wicks, Assistant Professor in Politics and International Relations:** "Thank You"
- **Dr Kerry Clamp, UG Director for Sociology and Social Policy:** "Thank you so much"
- **Harriet Allen, Director of Teaching in Psychology:** "Thank you reps from Psychology"
- **Errolinda Ward, Student Experience and Development Officer:** "Thank You"
- **Janette Alvarado-Cruz, Director of Student Influence (UoNSU):** "Thank you"
- **Milicent Heaton, Academic Representation Coordinator (UoNSU):** "Thank you so much"
- **Robyn Mcpherson, Development Coordinator (UoNSU):** "Thank you to all of our incredible reps for all the work that you've done this year. You're amazing!"
- **Cassie Ulrich, UoNSU Education Officer:** "Thank you to all of our reps."

Closing statements from Abdi Ahmed and Cassie Ulrich:

AA: Finally, I'd like to give a huge thanks to everybody who took their time to watch this video and an even bigger thank you to all our reps who have supported the Education Network this year.

We look forward to next year with new course reps, new campaigns and hopefully a wonderful year for everyone. Thank you so much for all of your hard work – goodbye.

CU: Thank you to everyone who watched the award and also to the students and faculty who submitted nominations and 'thank yous'. And thank you again to all of the reps who supported the Education Network this year! We look forward to next year with new reps, campaigns and achievements.

Credit paid to those who submitted thank you messages.

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