

Alessandro Ceccarelli

For **EQUALITY**, Research **RESOURCES**, and
ENVIRONMENTAL Sustainability.

Hi, I am **Alessandro Ceccarelli** and I am running for GU President.



WHY VOTE FOR ME? I am running for **GU President** because I am very passionate about student representation and activism, especially about minorities rights. I am a gay man, I am a current PhD candidate as well as the LGBTQ+ officer for the University of Cambridge Graduate Union. I have a wide range of experience across many European and Asian Universities, often as officer of Student Unions (e.g. PG Student Representative, University of London). Previous to Cambridge I have been working in South Asia for the past 9 years in close contact with charities and NGOs.

MY OBJECTIVES:

University

I will establish a system for identifying and **access research funding** for grads and postgrads in Cambridge, currently scattered and not centralised.

I will ensure that the **GU Affordable Housing** campaigns will be discussed by all grads and members of staff. I will make sure that the **GU Graduate Rights** campaign and **supervisory relationships** will be seriously considered by Schools, Faculties and Departments.

I will support the **Green Impact**, the environmental accreditation scheme, and make sure to establish a working team to run workshops and raise awareness throughout the year. Special attention will be put on divestment from fossil fuels, oil and gas.

Representing Students

I will establish **periodic dedicated councils** to discuss each portfolio (e.g. Women; BAME; LGBTQ+ portfolios) joining MCRs and graduates, with the aim of effecting plan strategies and make real changes.

I will ensure that the **LGBT+** Campaign reach visibility across all colleges, schools, faculties and departments at the graduate level. I will also make sure that LGBTQ+ people are represented across Colleges and Faculties at graduate level.

Colleges

I will establish a clear and **direct communication channel** with all GU's and MCR's officers.

I will support the **BAME campaigns**, including Decolonising Curricula campaigns, to encourage representation and inclusivity at Graduate level. I will make sure that BAME portfolios are present in each College at graduate level.

I will make sure that **Women's Campaign** will be developed and supported by the GU, and will be actively involved in making sure that Women portfolios are present in each College at graduate level.

My vision is to make sure that a much larger number of students feeling represented and included in the graduate life of the University, and to develop policy frameworks to more effectively deal with discrimination and marginalisation. I would be honoured to represent you and your views to the University as GU President. I hope you will vote for me.

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