Hi everyone,

I hope you’re all well and settling into the new term nicely. I wanted to say a huge well done, and a massive thank you, to each and every one of you for all of your hard work to pull together a very successful Welcome Month! Even under such different circumstances, we have once again proven how resilient and vital out Student Group Leaders are for the students at MDX. Please keep telling me about all of your amazing events and activities, I really love hearing about them!

Here is your Student Group Leader newsletter for October, filled with lots of important updates and opportunities to engage with! Make sure you have a thorough read, and feel free to get in touch with any queries.

**Student Group Leader Autumn Elections**

As most of you are already aware, we have been recruiting for the vacant committee roles over the past few week. Voting ended yesterday, so the results are in! [You can check out the list of our new student group leaders here](https://www.mdxsu.com/student-group-elections).

Next week I will be sending out introductory emails to new and old committees of societies who were involved in the elections, so keep an eye out and get ready to welcome them to the team!

**Other Ongoing Elections**

Elections are still open for the following roles now, so be sure to check them out and apply:

* [Student Voice Leader](https://www.mdxsu.com/studentvoiceleaders)
* [Union Council Rep](https://www.mdxsu.com/union-council)
* [NUS Delegate](https://www.mdxsu.com/nus-delegates)
* [Student Groups Executive Committee](https://www.mdxsu.com/student-group-exec) (roles in this election are only available for committee members of faith societies, international societies, and 3 of our liberation groups)

Click the links to find out more about each role! Nominations for these roles are open until Thursday 15 October 2020, 4PM (*12PM for Student Voice Leaders*). Voting opens on Monday 19 October 2020, 10AM and closes Thursday 22 October 2020, 4PM.

To find out more and nominate yourself in these elections, go to [mdxsu.com/elections](http://www.mdxsu.com/elections).

**Paid MDXSU Intern Opportunities**

**Reminder!** The deadline to apply for one of our intern roles is this Monday (5th October) @ 9am.

To find out more about each role, and apply for a role, please click [here](https://www.mdxsu.com/vacancies). To apply for a role, you must complete the intern application form and equal opportunities monitoring form, found [here](https://www.mdxsu.com/vacancies), and send to [recruitment@mdxsu.com](mailto:recruitment@mdxsu.com).

All of the roles are paid the London Living Wage of £10.75 per hour, and available on a part time, fixed term basis until 31st May 2021. As MDXSU continues to operate remotely, the intern roles will be completed on a work from home basis.

**Student Group Events**

You all should have received an email on Monday clarifying the current status and processes of Student Group Events, but if you missed the information don’t worry! Everything you need to know is now on [The Committee Hub – Events](https://www.mdxsu.com/society-events) page, including the forms to submit events and external speaker requests.

**October Funding Deadline**

The deadline to bid for funding this month is **Thursday 15th October @ 11.59pm.**

Before you submit a bid, make sure you have completed Student Groups Finance Training [here](https://mdxsu.thinkific.com/). You will also be able to access the training on [The Committee Hub - Training](https://www.mdxsu.com/society-training) page.

**Black History Month**

You may have seen us launch [Black History Month](https://www.mdxsu.com/black-history-month) on the MDXSU website and across social media this week. A huge thank you to MDXSU Black Students, African Caribbean Society, SHAREDIN, Amnesty international and MDX FM for their collaborative efforts to pull it all together. You can find out what we’ve got going on at [mdxsu.com/BHM](http://www.mdxsu.com/BHM).

Check out all the fantastic Student Group events planned so far, [here](https://www.mdxsu.com/mdxsu-events).

If your society also has something planned for Black History Month, or if have an event idea you’d like to lead on, please get in touch and we’ll be super keen to support you and promote it throughout the month!

**Movember**

Another month, another campaign!

Below is a message from your Student Officer, Nishtha Relan (your VP ACI) regarding Movember (a campaign she’s keen to work with societies on for November!):

*‘Hi everyone, hope you all are doing well, and your enjoying your virtual learning.*

*I am your student officer Nishtha Relan. This year we as officers are have various campaign priorities, one of which is Mental Health. As you might be aware “Movember” is arriving soon. If you haven’t heard about it yet, you can find out more about Movember* [*here*](https://www.movember.com/)*!*

*I am reaching out to ask, if any student groups are interested in hosting an event or have any ideas for “Movember” or our new initiative “Wellbeing Wednesday”. I would love to have you involved in the planning, as I feel student groups play an important part in students’ university life.*

*Please email Reygan (*[*R.Davison@mdx.ac.uk*](mailto:R.Davison@mdx.ac.uk)*) to express your interest in being involved as soon as possible, so we have plenty of time to plan and collaborate. Thanks!’*

That’s all for now everyone! Remember I’m always here to support and advise you all so never hesitate to get in touch or [book a meeting](https://meetings.hubspot.com/r-davison) with me.

Have a great weekend!

Best wishes,

Reygan