

School of Philosophy, Psychology and Language Sciences

Cognitive Science Staff Student Liaison Committee

Monday 9th of October 2017
Room S38 7 George Square

Present:

Hannah Rohde, Mark Sprevak, Alexandra Onstrand, Georgia Copeland, Derek MacColl, Emma Jones

1. The school student rep Jo-Anna (s1346304@sms.ed.ac.uk) gave information about her role in student representation. She reminded the reps present to not forget to bring news from SSLC back to their year cohorts. She noted a few goals she has for this year -- better assessment structure and the PAL scheme whereby students in later years can help facilitate 1st years' learning. She also mentioned that the EUSA website/newsletters provide information on student government and upcoming motions to be brought before the student council.

2. For the year-by-year updates, the student reps noted that they hadn't had much time to survey their fellow students so more advance notice for future SSLC meetings would help.

3. Year 1 updates from Alexandra

- Questions about Introduction to CogSci regarding coherence. It was noted that tutorials are helping. A suggestion for going forward was to make clearer on Learn the distinction between the high-level content in lectures and the hands-on python learning in labs. Georgia noted that the computing lectures themselves were not that helpful.

4. Year 2 updates from Georgia

- CogSci students are successfully together now in LEL2A tutorials -- that is a follow-on from last year where plans were made to keep CogSci students together where possible.

- RMS - for future years, can CogSci students be together for labs?

ACTION POINT: HR to talk to teaching office about this.

- Study abroad - students have seen the emails but are still waiting for more information. ACTION POINT: HR to re-email Patrick to see when he will hold the LEL ERASMUS meeting

5. Year 3 updates from Derek

- Philosophy tutorials would ideally keep CogSci students together or at least with other degree students.

ACTION POINT: HR to check with teaching office

6. Year 4 updates from Emma

- A question was raised about whether a mailing list for BSc students exists (HR thinks so).

ACTION POINT: HR to check with teaching office

- A question was raised about how MA CogSci students can keep up to date with Informatics announcements.

ACTION POINT: HR to check with Informatics staff to see about distribution lists and whether she (and students) can be added to these lists

- Building access -- CogSci students would like access to the AT labs.

ACTION POINT: HR to ask about access to AT 4.02

Next meeting of the SSLC will be Monday 20 November 2017 from 1-2.30pm