

Minutes of the SSLC Meeting held on 3rd May, 2024

Date: 03/05/2024 Time: 1 p.m. Location: MS Teams

Chair: Harshita Goel

Secretary: Soumprity Pal Chowdhury, Xu XinXin

Attendance:

<u>Student Representatives</u>- Shahir Muhammad Shamim, Xu Xinxin, Stefan Antoniades, Soumprity Pal Chowdhury, Simran Pal Singh, Harshita Goel <u>Staff Representatives</u>- Atisha Ghosh, Alexander Keralis Issac, Aysa Ozcan, Claudia Rei, Carolyn Andrews, Bozena Beauclair, Jackie Hanes

Apologies- Stephanie Redding, Sayak Das

Matters Arising

Not many matters were there to discuss as students were busy with the term 2 exams. No complaints regarding teaching and library resources.

1. Actions from previous meeting (24th November, 2023)

Students were informed about the availability of library resources throughout Easter and Term 3. They were also encouraged to participate in the practice interview arranged by the career cell; however, due to the exams, students have been busy and will be reminded again. A volunteering activity was arranged, but the response was underwhelming, possibly because most students were not on campus during the vacation and failed to attend the event.

3. Resources (Library/IT):

SSLC members will inform the students that if they want space in the library to study they should try coming to the library early in the morning. That way it will be easier to get a space to study as the library has been busy, particularly on Mondays and Tuesdays. The library is holding a trial to see EIC China Data. Students whose dissertation topic is China-based are encouraged to take part in the trial.

4. Skills Development and Careers:

The career coordinators pointed out that there was a lack of Master's representation at the Alumni Careers Journey. Students are requested to look into these opportunities next time as they are held for them. For the practice interview to take place at least 20 students need to register; however, currently it is only 6 and the department encourages the students to take part in this as it is a good opportunity for them. The SSLC members asked for an extension on the deadline as most students are busy with exam preparations now. The students will also be informed about these interviews through WhatsApp and WeChat.

5. Matter arising from Reps:

No matters arose.

6. Teaching and Learning:

No complaints regarding teaching and learning. Students are happy.

7. Assessment and Feedback:

No issues were raised.

8. Student Engagement and Support:

Future volunteering activities can be arranged during the term as there is a possibility of more people attending.

9. Any other business (A.O.B)

- Some students were looking for part-time working opportunities outside of WISE internships, to earn
 an extra income. The department advised that they should look for opportunities outside the
 University as it can be easier to get a job this way. Indeed was suggested to be a good option for job
 hunting.
- The department wanted the SSLC members to promote the PTES Survey and the department group photo. The students will be informed and encouraged to fill out the form and attend the group photo event by the members.