

Re-Elect Bhaskar as your Postgraduate Officer

"Leading with Experience, Shaping Futures"

Over the past 8 months, I have worked tirelessly to enhance the postgraduate experience at UEA. Seeking re-election will allow me to continue building on our progress and addressing key concerns affecting our community. Here's the plan for future.

Long-Term Goals

1. Clean Drinking Water

To ensure free access to purified drinking water, a fundraiser will be launched to install an RO Plant. This initiative will help students save money on bottled water and significantly reduce plastic waste.

2. Winter Graduation Ceremony

The campaign for a Winter Graduation Ceremony will continue, allowing PGT students completing their degrees in September to celebrate without waiting for 10 months.

3. Postgraduate Community Wellbeing

- Establishing a coffee station for postgraduate students to grab or prepare their own coffee.
- Enhancing support for women, LGBTQ+, mature, disabled, and commuter students.
- Advocating for discounted campus parking prices for postgraduates to ease financial strain.
- Organising networking and employability events to support career development.
- Expand online and hybrid activities to increase accessibility.

4. PhD Researcher Funding

Will work with the university, National Union of Students and advocate for increase in PhD researchers' pay, as the recent increase is not enough.

5. Global Entrepreneur & Business Network

- Creating an open platform for student entrepreneurs and businesses.
- Partnering with the Enterprise Centre to organise workshops.
- Introducing a Postgraduate Pop-Up Market in The Hive to encourage entrepreneurship.

Short Term Goals

1. Strengthening PGT Academic Representation & Volunteering

- Introducing dedicated PGT School Convenors and adjusting election timelines to align with PGT intakes.
- Enhancing postgraduate engagement in clubs and societies.
- Introducing volunteering opportunities in marketing, photography, content creation

2. Increasing PG SU Funds & Graduate Centre Facilities

Securing an increase in the PG Budget from £5,000 to between £10,000–£15,000.

Advocate for table service in Scholars' Lounge and Scholars' Corner.

3. Postgraduate Sports & Fitness

Working with UEA Sport to introduce more drop-in PG sessions.

Organising inter-faculty tournaments and a dedicated PG Sports Day.

4. Support for International Students & Cultural Engagement

Assisting international students with transition, accommodation, and job searches.

Promoting a more inclusive and globally connected campus culture.

Hosting cultural events like Antakshari, Dhoon, and Qawwali nights.

5. Postgraduate Social Experience: 12 Months – 12+ Events

- PG Karaoke
- PG Day Trips (every semester)
- Barbecue by the Lake
- Open Mic, Literary Salon, Writers' Café, Poetry Nights
- PG Adventure Day & Nature Walks
- PG Fest
- PG Cheese & Wine Nights (every semester)
- Summer Activities (Paddleboarding, Kayaking)
- PG Escape Rooms
- PG Swim & Coffee Evenings
- PG Photography Challenge
- UEA Science Festival & many more based on student inputs.

These plans are achievable, and I am committed to making them a reality. Vote for me, and let's continue working together to enhance the postgraduate experience at UEA!

Click here (<https://wp.me/pgmVxt-u>) to find out what I've achieved this year.