



Met LGBT Constitution

1. Name

The name of the Registered Student Organisation shall be London Met LGBT (herein known as Met LGBT).

2. Objects

The objects of Met LGBT shall be to:

- a. Promote and represent the views and interests of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Trans Students at London Metropolitan University.
- b. To provide a voice against homophobia and other types of discrimination.
- c. To provide an informal outlet for LGBT students to socialise both on and off campus.
- d. To provide education and an outlet for campaigning on LGBT issues.
- e. Provide a basic level of support to LGBT students.

3. Officers

There shall be eight Officers of Met LGBT;

1. President
2. Secretary/Treasurer
3. Events Officer
4. Campaigns and Education Officer
5. Women's Officer

Officers shall be elected by means of secret ballot at the Annual General Meeting of Met LGBT. In addition to specified members there will be three places open as "General Committee" members who will be elected to assist the general running of Met LGBT when required.

The duties of the Officers, and General Committee members, shall be to:

- a. Keep in contact with all members of Met LGBT.
- b. To attend Met LGBT and Met LGBT Executive Committee meetings.
- c. Uphold the Constitution of Met LGBT.

In addition to the above duties, Officers shall have the responsibilities listed below;

The duties of the President shall be:

- a. To ensure that Met LGBT is running smoothly at all times.
- b. To attend Student Council meetings'.
- c. To represent Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Trans students.
- d. To ensure the safety and security of all equipment and other assets provided for Met LGBT and to account for such at the end of each year.
- e. To present a report each semester on the work of Met LGBT.

- f. To attend the NUS LGBT Conference, subject to election.
- g. To ensure that the provisions of this Constitution are followed and that no action contrary to its term or the objects of the Union is taken by Met LGBT.

The duties of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be:

- a. To ensure that minutes are taken at meetings and that they are distributed to both the membership of Met LGBT, the Student Office and Students' Union.
- b. To prepare a budget (termly alongside the other officers) to be presented to the Student Office and Student Union and then to be presented amended if necessary, to the Union and the University for Reference.
- c. To keep proper accounts of all expenditure and income. Accounts shall be open to inspection by individual Met LGBT members, the Union and the University at any time.
- d. Book activities, authorise expenditure and keep records thereof.

The duties of the Events Officer shall be:

- a. To consult the membership of Met LGBT about social events and functions.
- b. To ensure that membership is kept informed of social events and functions.
- c. To, after consultation with the Executive, book social events and functions for Met LGBT.

The duties of the Campaigns and Education Officer shall be:

- a. To consult with the membership of Met LGBT on campaigning and educational events that they may want to take part in.
- b. To co-ordinate a range of campaigning and educational activities for Met LGBT.
- c. To liaise with agencies on local and national campaigns.

The duties of the Women's Officer shall be:

- a. To represent those who identify as female in Met LGBT.
- b. To actively campaign to improve the position of lesbian and bisexual women in the University and Society.
- c. To provide basic sexual health information to women in Met LGBT.
- d. To produce an annual report.

In addition the Women's Officer must identify as female.

4. Meetings

There shall be at least four General Meetings of Met LGBT in each Academic Year.

5. Authority

The supreme body of Met LGBT shall be the General Meetings.

6. Membership

Membership shall be open to any student at London Metropolitan University. Met LGBT will also welcome honorary memberships from all University staff and Students' Union staff that aren't currently not enrolled students.

People wishing to become members of Met LGBT should define themselves as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual or Trans or be attitude free.

People identifying themselves as heterosexual may become members and attend meetings, though Met LGBT reserves the right to hold meetings open only to its LGBT members due to issues of confidentiality, safety or based on the content of the meeting.

In the case of NUS LGBT events, only self-identifying members may attend as this is NUS policy.

7. Amendments to the Constitution

This constitution may only be amended by a resolution of two-thirds majority of members voting at a General Meeting of Met LGBT.