

Student Volunteer Ireland

Hi!

Lorraine and Faith

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Student Voice in

Decision Making

at Student Volunteer Ireland



**Who are
Student Volunteer Ireland?**

A movement within higher education to consolidate, strengthen, enable, and promote student volunteering.



Aaron

Astronomy Society

Class Rep

“my role involves promoting a sense of **community** and collaboration within the class, which indirectly addresses social issues related to student **engagement** and **support.**”

“By fostering a positive class environment, I contribute to the social and emotional **well-being** of my peers, thereby enhancing the overall quality of their educational experience.”

Abbie

**Bystander
Intervention
Programme**

**Peer Assisted
Learning Programme**



“As a mentor, I can share knowledge and experience with those who are aspiring lawyers. I can assist individuals in developing **critical skills** required for **success**”

“Working as a part of a team, developing my **communication** and **leadership** skills. Seeing the students achieve good academic **results** is rewarding”



Áine

Radio Station

“in a city so known for its night life and pub scene, it was a joy to be able to shine a light on communities centred around movement, health and **wellbeing**, and the need for such communities in a university town.”

“I am making it more **accessible** for students to learn Irish”

Swathi

Student Newspaper

**Community STEM
Festival**



“Volunteering allows me to actively **contribute** to addressing societal challenges, promoting **equity**, and fostering positive change.”

“Moreover, it offers ongoing opportunities for personal **growth** and development, enabling me to enhance my **skills**, expand my **knowledge**, and strengthen my **leadership** abilities.”



Faith

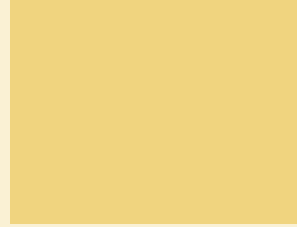




**What do these student
volunteers have in common?**



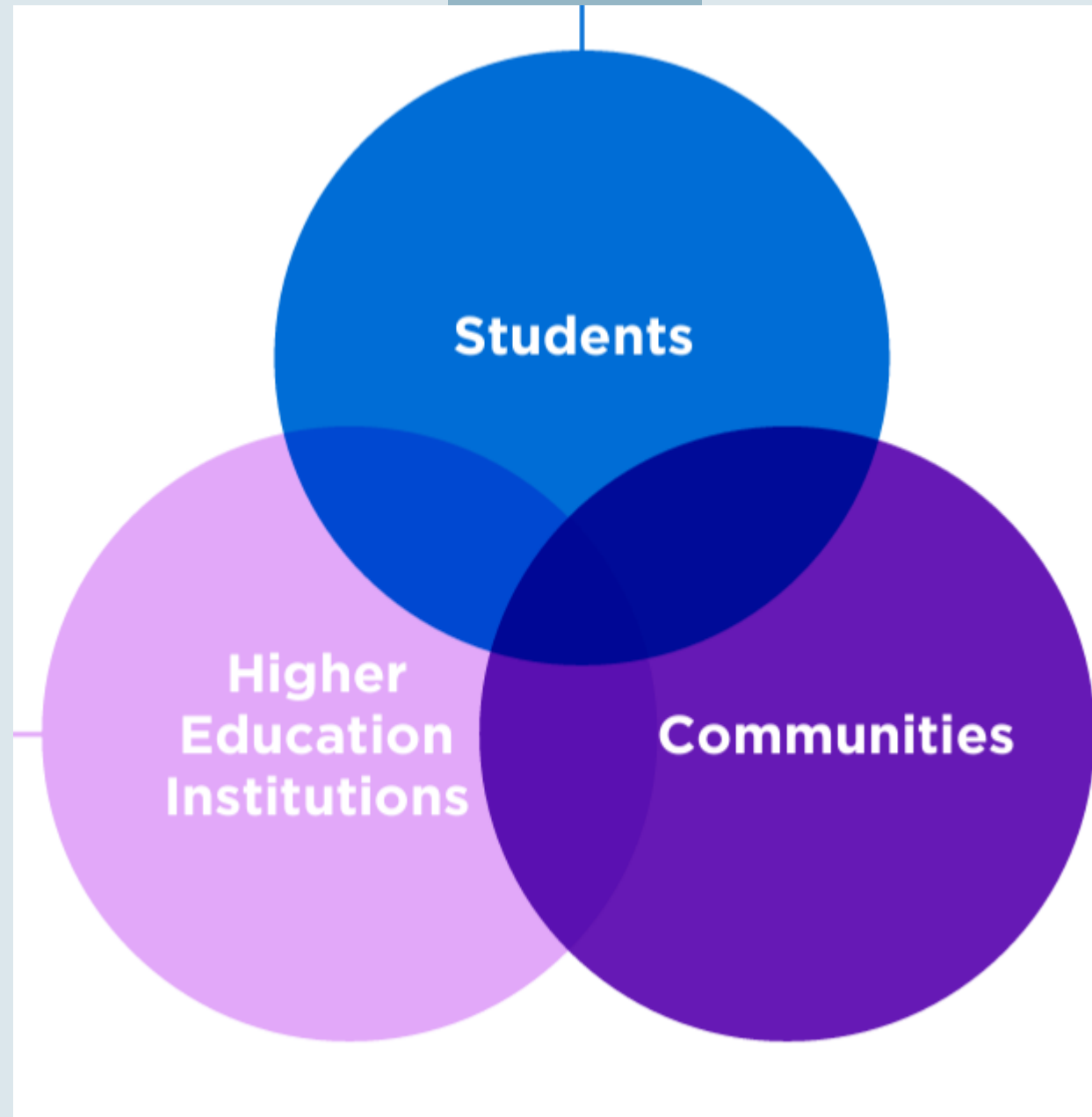
**Student Volunteers are partners
in Student Success!**



**A healthy campus is a campus
that embraces strong
Student Volunteer Engagement**



**A culture of student
volunteering requires
Recognition & Reflection**





With Student Volunteers Everyone Wins

But it doesn't just happen

Home / Volunteer

VOLUNTEER

SEARCH →

UL STUDENT SUSTAINABILITY TEAM

UNIVERSITY OF LIMERICK (CSFI)
LIMERICK



HUMAN RIGHTS/JUSTICE

VOLUNTEER FOR REMEMBRANCE TREE PROJECT (2024)

DORAS
LIMERICK

WEBSITE UPDATE

VOLUNTEER

NITELINE NATIONAL

Website refresh

COMMUNITY

CHRISTMAS MARKET ULSL VOLUNTEERS

VOLUNTEER

UL STUDENT LIFE LIMERICK

Volunteer at the Christmas Market

COMMUNITY

TALKSPACE CONVERSATION CLUB



SERVE THE CITY LIMERICK LIMERICK

TalkSpace Conversation Club

COMMUNITY

REGENERON GREAT LIMERICK RUN

VOLUNTEER

DOWN SYNDROME LIMERICK LIMERICK

Run for a reason run for DSL

COMMUNITY

POPULAR CATEGORIES



COMMUNITY



HUMAN RIGHTS/
JUSTICE



ARTS/ CULTURE/
MEDIA



ENVIRONMENT/
ANIMAL WELFARE



HEALTH AND
WELLBEING



INTERNATIONAL



EDUCATION



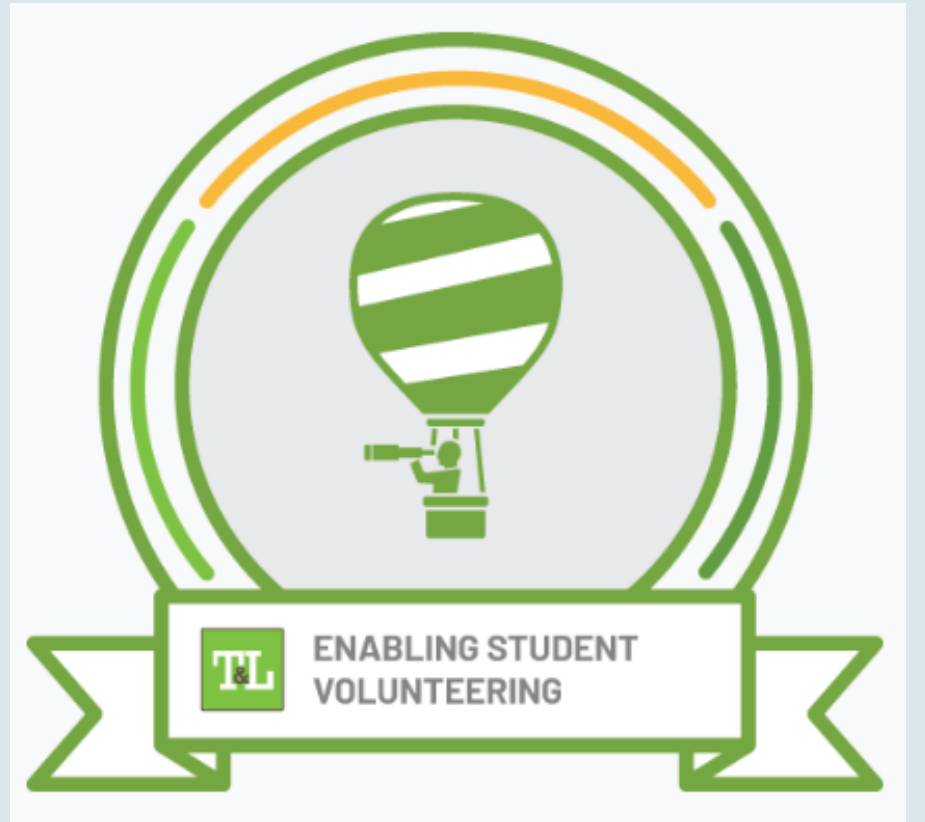
SPORTS &
RECREATION



**Rewarding
Volunteers**

**Banning
Exploitation**

Volunteer Management Support





**About 50 percent of students have no plan
to volunteer**



**How are we going to influence national
policy and resourcing for student
volunteering?**

Commissioned Research on Student Voice





Reflecting on Student Voice



Irish Youth Federation 2024-2025

Funding for Student Voice and Engagement

Student
Advisory
Panel



Experience
Student
Volunteer
Management

Training on
Student
Voice in
Decision
Making

summary

INPUT

- Training for student volunteers on board participation and volunteer leadership.

ACTIVITIES

- Building our Shared Knowledge
- Empowered Decision Making to enhance StudentVolunteer.ie

OUTPUTS

- Leading on Volunteer Projects: Campus Environmental Focus

OUTCOME

- Student Voice on the Student Volunteer Ireland Executive Board and Management Board – Paid Roles
- Student & Community Advisory Panel

IMPACT

- Student voice influencing policy and practice

NStEP

🗣️👏 I am so proud to announce that I have received my **National Student Engagement Programme (NStEP)** Introductory Class Rep Training Badge as a Student Advisor for **Student Volunteer Ireland** ! 🗣️👏

This milestone reflects my dedication to enhancing student engagement and representation, which I believe are vital to improving the student experience. I am excited to build on this achievement and continue contributing to the enrichment of student life.

A heartfelt thank you to **Niamh Kennedy** and **Rachael Sarsfield Ryan** for delivering such a fantastic workshop, and a special thanks to Lorraine for your incredible efforts in supporting the programme.

#StudentVolunteerIreland #StudentAdvisor #StudentEngagement #NStEP #StudentRepresentation #LeadershipDevelopment #Computerscience #WISTEM



NStEP Introductory Class Rep Training
openbadgefactory.com

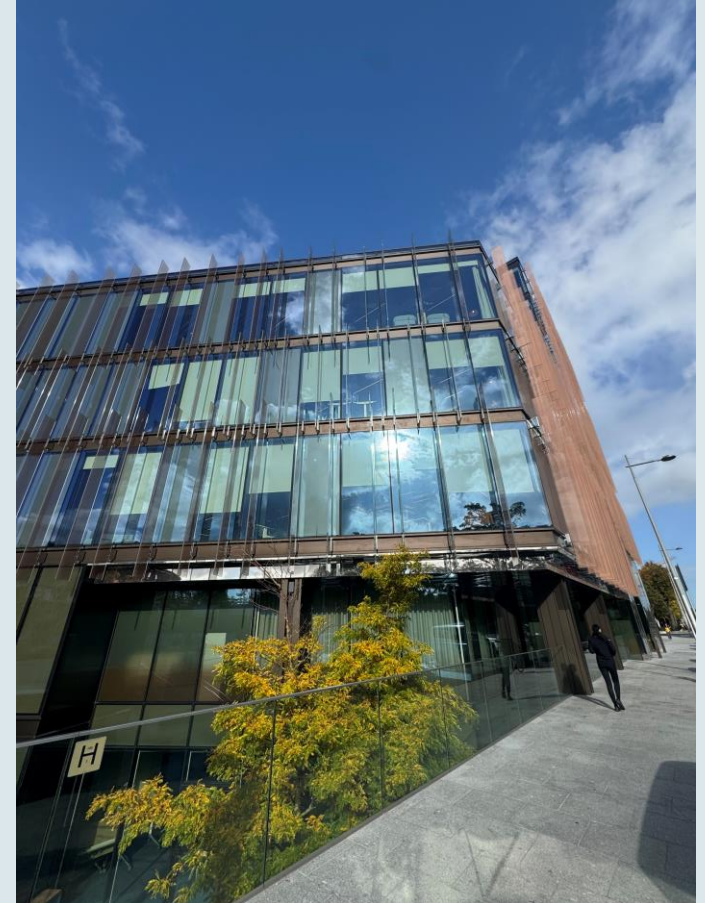
👍❤️ You and 40 others

Campus Living Labs

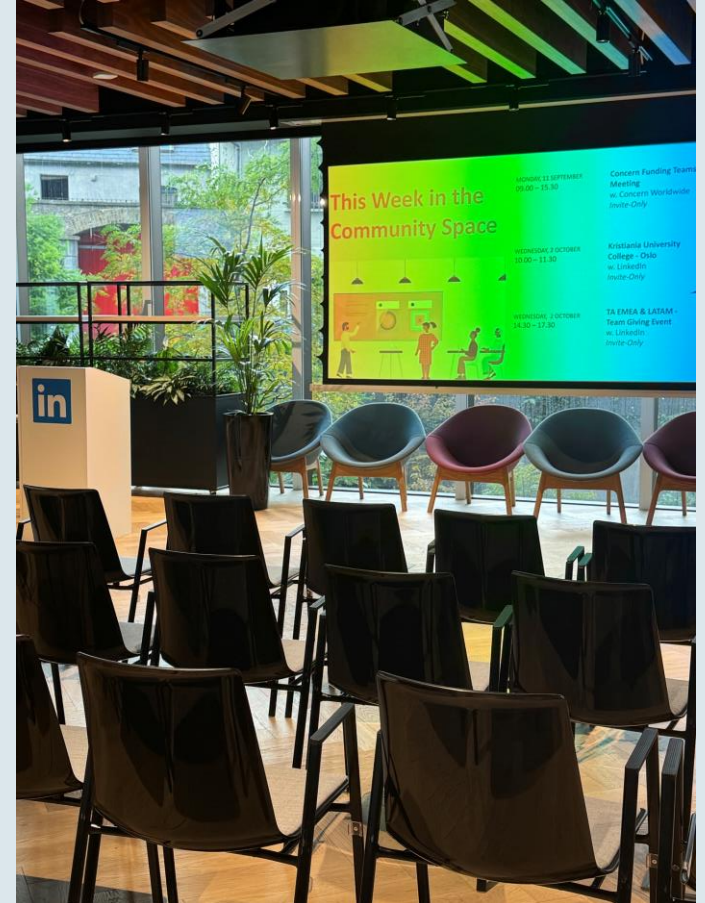


**Friday 24th January
LinkedIn
Headquarters**

**Student Volunteer
Ireland
Conference**



Hybrid



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