

## PRESIDENT

Hi all, my name is **El** (El#8620) and I am running to be the president of the eSports and Video Games Society. I am an avid fan of all things video game related and surround myself within the video gaming culture on a daily basis.

I have been on the discord and attending the esports socials since last autumn, as I am a first year and since starting at UOL I have really wanted to engage more with the esports and gaming community. I love spending time with others and social gaming, being able to surround myself with those who have the same interests as me and being within the community has enabled this.

## ...... Why am I running for President?

I am running for president as I want to put my love for gaming and being social into an involved role where I will thrive and work towards improving the society and keeping the current events which the members love.

In my current job I deal with a lot of admin and making sure that tasks are completed to a good quality and speaking to others. These skills will help towards organising social events such as communicating with other societies to run a big event and making sure that other committee members are completing their roles.

I find that I am an approachable and bubbly person who will not worry about running meetings and will be open to conversations with committee members and society members.





## ------ What I want to do while being President of the eSports and Video Games Society

- >> As president I want to run more events where other societies are engaged such as the arcade club social and I would also like to organise another trip to the Pixel Bar in Manchester as it was so much fun and there is a dance floor and a whole gaming room!
- >> I would also like to organise trips to gaming conventions such as insomnia where we can go as a society and enter tournaments together.
- >> As an LGBT+ person myself I want to keep the society as a safe space for LGBT+. I am going to work in tandem with the welfare officer to implement a new system which is a thorough complaint handling system so that the society is well versed in dealing with issues to ensure the society is a safe place.
- >> As a woman in gaming I understand the hostility that can be faced when in gaming environments so as president I want to make sure that women and non-binary people feel comfortable and welcome by fostering a safe space where there is zero tolerance for discrimination. I will do this by running in house teams as well as promoting and drawing awareness to our current women and non-binary tournaments as well as encouraging future prospects of more of these tournaments.
- >> The society is a welcome place for both PC and console gamers. To nurture this I want to push for LANs where people are welcome to bring their own set up or go to a space such as pixel where PC's can be rented as socials. This can be a great way to find others with the same interests.
- >> I will keep relations with other societies by collaborating so that events can be bigger and better as there are more specific gaming societies such as Animal Crossing and Nintendo and Pokemon. The current socials have live streamed tournaments for games such as Smash and I would like to expand by making them more frequent and accessible.
- >> I want to organise socials for the society which accommodate gamers such as laser quest, Otley Run and go karts so you can feel as though you are in your favourite racing game/FPS or having fun dressed up as your favourite character.

Thank you for reading my statement for President and I am always around for a chat on Discord if you have any questions or just want a general chit chat! Vote for El!!!!

