



# GLASGOW UNIVERSITY UNION

## CANDIDATE MANIFESTO

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND BOARD OF MANAGEMENT 2026/27/28

Candidate: Sally Dean  
For the position of: Convener of Debates  
Proposer: Rosie Callaghan  
Secunder: Amy Simmons

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Hi, I'm Sally and I am excited to run for the position of Convener of Debates. I have been on Debates Committee for the last two years, serving in two senior positions as Competitions Convenor and President of the Dialectic Society. Among other responsibilities, I have been a Freshers Helper for two years and have run four major debating competitions, including the biggest women and gender minorities competition in Europe. Being on debates committee has been an amazing experience and has really positively impacted my time at university so far, something I wish to continue into the next year.

If elected, I would aim to improve accessibility to debating, making it a fun and inclusive environment, by:

- Improving accessibility to senior training, bringing our training more in line with other successful universities (e.g. Oxbridge).
- Work with other student societies to increase engagement and widen the variety of our show debates.
- Encourage Scottish school debaters to train in the GUU, encouraging an awareness of GUU debating and increasing the number of experienced debaters interested in joining debating at the GUU.
- Run a relaxed debate competition, working with other universities and improving inter-varsity relationships.

You can ask each candidate questions on their manifestos at Hustings on Wednesday 4th March at 7pm.  
Voting is on Thursday 5th March between 9am and 7pm on production of a valid GUU membership card.