



GLASGOW UNIVERSITY UNION



ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND BOARD OF MANAGEMENT 2022/23/24

MANIFESTO FORM

For the position of: Convenor of Libraries

Candidate: Samyukta Vidyashankar

Proposer: Finn Macdonald

Secunder: Ana Negut Adriana

The space below is provided to allow candidates to explain their reasons for offering themselves for their respective positions and to list such qualifications and experience which are relevant to these posts in not more than 200 words.

My name is Samyukta Vidyashankar. I'm a third - year English Literature and Theatre student and currently hold the position of Politics Editor for G-You Magazine. Being part of the Libraries committee has not only paved a path for my creative writing skills, but has also given a voice for contributors from all walks of life.

When it comes to the inner workings of the magazine, my main goal is to enhance the relationship between writer and editor. If elected, I will make the writer's main point of contact the editor – I believe connection between the two is important for a written piece of work to be curated.

As convener, I want both editor and writer to benefit from being part of this unique community. I would change weekly contributor meetings to monthly meetings and curate these to be a much bigger event by combining them with creative writing or free writing workshops; which would help honing writing skills or learning how to get out of a writer's block. I would push for showcasing creative talent of students on campus and build a wider audience for our continuing brand of the 'Fleet Review' – a creative writing journal we recently published.