The Big Plan 2020/21

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Our Big Plan was due to end in July 2020. At GSU, we started working on a new strategy in Term 1 to launch for 2020/21. However, this, alongside many other things, had to be paused due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

As we manoeuvred the SU offer in line with the guidance in the Spring and Summer term, GSU Officers – outgoing and incoming – and GSU staff worked on an operational plan that would steer the Union through a year of unpredictability, whilst we recovered from the impact of the changes brought on by the pandemic.

During the spring and summer, we conducted research through our Covid Impact Survey (*gresu.uk/c19surveyresults*) and collated feedback to Officers to create priorities for work across our staff teams. What we saw was that priorities for you – our members – were very similar to what we had been focusing on throughout our Big Plan.

So, we have kept the themes, values and goals of our Big Plan from 2017-20, focusing on five key areas for this year:

Learning

We will support your learning throughout this year of change by continuing to work with the University. We'll harness your wants, needs and feedback to continue to be a trusted source of information on what you need from them to make the most of your journey at Greenwich.

Employment

We want you to have the best prospects for your careers once you finish your studies. Being part of our SU is proven to enhance your skills in and outside of your degree and make you more employable. We'll continue to provide opportunities for you to develop, and ensure you recognise what you gain from getting involved.

Mental Health

Taking care of yourself is paramount in this time of change. We're working to enhance our wellbeing provision through our Advice Service, student groups, activities on campuses and through our commercial outlets too to ensure you can get the support and/or relief you need as you journey through University this year.

Money

We're still committed to helping you make money by providing student jobs where we can; save money through great value services and activities, and learn how to manage the money you have by providing financial advice.

◆ Co-curricular experience

We still want to bring the fun to your student experience! We will continue to develop safe spaces – in person and online - that support you in having fun, working comfortably, getting help and making change.

Work on our strategy for 2021/22 onwards will start in 2021. In the meantime, if you would like know more about our operational plan, contact us at greenwichsu@gre.ac.uk.

To see our impact over the course of the Big Plan so far, please visit greenwichsu.co.uk/bigplan.