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Candidate for Registrar, 334th session

Co-Steward, 333rd session



I still clearly remember being intimidated by the Phil the first time I came to a debate. The registrar's minutes immediately changed my perception of the society, and made me feel like it was one that I not only wanted to be involved in, but one that I could get involved in. As registrar, I want to propagate the image of the Phil as a fun, welcoming and accessible society.

I want to bring our amazing history into the 21st century through digitisation of our records. I want to organise panel discussions and encourage humorous rhetoric as a legitimate style of debating. I want to bring vision, direction and experience to Phil council, and I know that I have the charisma, work ethic and drive to be a tremendous registrar.

Minutes

Minutes are an incredibly important way of making the Phil fun and attractive to people who may find the idea of speaking in the chamber or competitive debating intimidating. I look forward to bringing my own unique style and sense of humour to the minutes and do everything I can do make the Phil accessible and attractive to absolutely everyone.



Records

As the world's oldest student society, our most valuable asset is our history and phenomenal institutional memory. I want to review the current process of digitisation, and evaluate whether there is a more efficient way we can make these incredibly important historical resources publicly accessible.



Hon. Mems

I will maintain an excellent relationship with the Alumni Office, organise the Hon. Mems debate in first term, and keep the Hon. Mems updated on how we're doing as a society with a Christmas newsletter and an Annual Review in second term.

Electoral Register

I will, for my own benefit as well as for that of all society members, update the electoral register on a weekly basis, and will pursue the idea of a sign-in book so that a more official written record is kept of debate attendance.

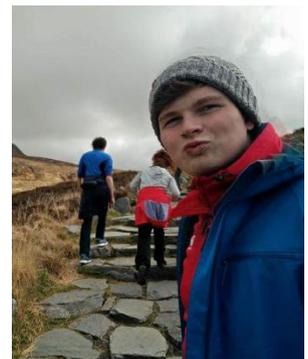


Reciprocal Membership

I will review our current reciprocal membership arrangements with other debating societies and explore the idea of creating agreements with more societies. I will also make sure that a greater number of people are aware of this really cool perk of Phil membership.

Innovation

I have a number of cool projects that I would like to accomplish as registrar. I want to work with Team Pres on organising a panel discussion and want to work with Team Sec to see how I can encourage more humorous, entertaining discourse in the Phil in a way that is just as legitimate as any other style of debating, to name a few.



I have worked ferociously hard as Pro-Steward and latterly as Co-Steward. I have enjoyed every single moment of being on council and have gained so many friends as a result. I've had so many incredible experiences and have grown so much as a person. I am fully aware of what an honour it is to serve on Phil council and I know that I have what it takes to be a phenomenal registrar. I have the vision, and the work ethic to make it a reality, I'm just asking you to let me show you what I can do.