

**Student**

**Elections**

**2020**

**THE RESULTS!**



*Big*  
STUDENT  
ELECTIONS

Edinburgh College  
**Students'**  
Association

## Introduction

2020 has seen Edinburgh College Students' Associations 8<sup>th</sup> annual Full-Time Officer Elections and it has been another successful year which has engaged plenty of candidates to stand and students to vote. In fact, this year we have had the highest turnout since 2017, and we have managed to increase the number of voters by over 200 from last year (a 23% increase in turnout).

It has been fantastic to see so many enthusiastic students willing to put themselves forward and do something positive for the benefit of students, the Association and the College. We have continued to run our annual elections as part of the Scotland-wide project called the 'Big Student Elections', which is also in its 8<sup>th</sup> year and includes Students' Associations from across Scotland working together to run elections in the same week.

Our own polling period lasted just over 4 days and involved polling stations being made available in high-footfall areas on all campuses throughout the period. Voting ran from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> of March 10am and closed Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> at 4pm, however it all takes place online on the Association website, so students can vote from the comfort of their home, on the bus or come speak to us at one of the polling stations on campus. The vast majority of our voters prefer to vote on campus, especially if they have spoken to a candidate who has been out canvassing.

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March, ECSA joined colleagues from Edinburgh Napier Students' Association, Heriot Watt Students' Association and Queen Margaret University Students' Union to celebrate a successful week and announce winners from all the participating associations in Edinburgh.

We are proud of all of our candidates for the work they've done throughout the week and for working hard with renewed energy and enthusiasm every day. They are what keeps the Association going and what helps make students' lives better.

There's still plenty to get done before the end of this academic year, but with handover starting slowly we are excited to see what next year holds when the new team take the reins in July.

Finally, we'd like to thank all of the fantastic candidates, all of the staff from across the College who encouraged students to participate, as well as all of our students who cast their votes.

# The Winners

**President**  
**Jordan Wyllie**

Jordan Wyllie is on the Preparation for Study in Social Science course at the Milton Road Campus. His priorities this year will be: improving the quality of education and resources available, introducing optional life skills workshops, better mental health support, and improving procedures for students facing exceptional circumstances.



**Vice President**  
**Activities**  
**Victoria Browning**

Victoria Browning is on the HND Creative Industries: Television course at Sighthill Campus. Her goals for the year are to increase the visibility of societies within Edinburgh College, increase the impact of student feedback, organise regular fundraisers, to help societies and groups that want to work with the wider community, and to increase international, ethnic and mature students' participation and awareness.



**Vice President**  
**Welfare**  
**Rose Dodgson**

Rose Dodgson is studying HNC Working With Communities at the Sighthill Campus. Her priorities for the year are: improving mental health provision in the college, improve the facilities and student support that students can currently access, and to ensure that all students have a wonderful learning experience at college and enjoy college life!



## Results Sheet - March 2020

Post	President
Places	1
Valid votes	1020
Quota	511

Candidates	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Results
Corey Watt	322	324	348	436	
Cameron Begbie	70	72	Eliminated		
Adam O'Donnell	221	222	236	Eliminated	
Jordan Wyllie	399	400	422	538	Elected
Re-Open Nominations	8	Eliminated			
Non-transferable	0	2	14	46	
Totals	1020	1018	1006	974	

*Jordan Wyllie has reached the quota at stage 5 and is duly elected President 2020/21*

## Results Sheet - March 2020

Post	Vice President Activities
Places	1
Valid votes	953
Quota	478

Candidates	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Results
Carina Hodgson	166	169	Eliminated	
Gwen Fitzpatrick	361	363	436	
Victoria Browning	417	418	485	Elected
Re-open Nominations	9	Eliminated		
Non-transferable	0	3	32	
Totals	953	950	921	

*Victoria Browning has reached quota at stage 4 and is duly elected VP Activities 2020/21*

## Results Sheet - March 2020

Post	Vice President Welfare
Places	1
Valid votes	924
Quota	463

Candidates	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Results
Matthew Laurie	182	183	203	250	Eliminated	
Alistair Stewart	228	228	253	291	389	
Brian Longmuir	124	125	Eliminated			
Rose Dodgson	256	256	284	325	419	Elected
Ciaran Kelly	130	131	156	Eliminated		
Re-Open Nominations	4	Eliminated				
Non-transferable	0	1	28	58	116	
Totals	924	923	896	866	808	

*Rose Dodgson has reached quota at stage 5 and is duly elected VP Welfare 2020/21*