Promise 1: Making Academics Accessible For All

* Course Reps: During the first semester of this academic year, I assisted our Voice And Governance Coordinator Charlotte with recruiting course reps. This involved going into lectures to talk to students about the benefits of becoming a course rep. Students received mandatory training in order to fully participate in the course rep role. These mandatory training sessions involved students having the course rep role fully explained to them. In my opinion, I believe that the course rep recruitment drive has been very successful this academic year.
* Placement: During my second year of study, it is a requirement to undertake a 100 hour work experience placement. I have been extremely fortunate to have been given the opportunity to do my work experience in the Students’ Union. I am working closely with our current President Zoe and Union Director Robin in order to establish why the SU should provide work experience opportunities to students and how this will be beneficial to students, the Union and the university as a whole.

Promise 2: Creating Equal Opportunities For Everybody

* Raising Awareness Of Students’ Individual Needs: Unfortunately, I have been unable to complete this pledge to the best of my ability due to personal circumstances throughout the academic year. Initially, my aim was to create a resource for staff and students to refer to in order to raise awareness of different disabilities and how they may affect people’s studies. Although this aim has not been fully completed, I intend to uphold this promise throughout the remainder of this academic year and create a resource for staff and students for the beginning of next academic year. During the next academic year, I intend to work closely with Student Support in order to gain a better understanding of how to promote the needs of every student at Newman.

Promise 3: Creating A Safe Space For All

* Providing a presence for students: This is a promise that I believe I have been able to fulfil relatively well. I have been a regular presence in the SU office, always remaining friendly, approachable and willing to help both staff and students whenever and however I can.

Any Other Business

* Elections: I participated in the recent SU elections running as President for academic year 2024/25. Whilst I did not get the position of President, I gained invaluable experience on how to run a successful campaign, which will be immensely valuable for future SU elections that I plan on running in.