



OU Students  
Association

# OUSA in the South West October 2010

Dear Student,

## Your Region Needs YOU!

As an OU student in the South West, you have (theoretically) a Forum, which is responsible for representing you on the OU Consultative Committees and on the Senate Reference Group which represents students to the OU Senate. Would you like to help your fellow students?

If you want to know more about OUSA, try these links

[OUSA Home](#)

<http://www.ousasw.org.uk>

[www.ousanearyou.org.uk](http://www.ousanearyou.org.uk)

If the South West Forum is to survive it urgently requires active members. It is an interesting and important role within the Students' Association and a good opportunity to meet other students and find out more about your University. Next year there may be major changes which could affect all students and the Forum may become a Regional Assembly elected by all students within the Region. Please do have a look and see what you could contribute on behalf of your fellow students.

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place with a face-to-face meeting at Bristol Regional Office at 2 p.m. on 6<sup>th</sup> November. In the week prior to that (Sat.30<sup>th</sup>-Fri 5<sup>th</sup>) there will be an online meeting on the R03 First Class forum and it will be followed by further discussion and voting online for various posts (Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>-Wed 10<sup>th</sup>). There is no need to attend the meeting in Bristol, although if you want to and are prepared to commit to being your branch representative (where there isn't one already) your expenses would be paid.

We shall be electing a Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Communications Officer and various Student Academic Links, a Disabled Student Link and a Student Support Link. Further details of these roles will be on R03 forum at the time. You don't need experience to stand.

Do please take time to look at the OUSA R03 forum (accessed from your Studenthome desktop and think if you would like to be part of the new developments in the Students' Association. If your branch is active you might like to get in touch with them as well through the same R03 link. Direct link is [here](#) .

If you would like further information on the roles or anything else please email me direct at [mallen\\_ou@btinternet.com](mailto:mallen_ou@btinternet.com).

We don't want to be another OU Region without a Regional Forum.

I look forward to hearing from you or meeting you online or face to face.

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