



# Charlie Fricker

Role: Wellbeing and inclusivity  
Officer

Hi, I'm Charlie, and I'm standing to be your Wellbeing & Inclusivity Officer because I am a good-hearted, caring person who cares greatly about the student experience at Hartpury. I believe every student deserves to feel safe, supported, heard and valued – no matter their background.

College and university life can be exciting, but it can also be overwhelming. Balancing academic pressure, social life, finances and personal challenges isn't easy. I personally understand what it feels like to struggle and not always receive the support you need. I know how isolating it can be, and it's one of the reasons I am so passionate about making sure no other student feels alone or unheard.

If elected, I will focus on three key principles:

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## 1. Improving Awareness and Access to Support Services

Many students don't always know what support services are available or how to access them. Some students struggle to access support at all. I know personally that I had to wait six months on the waiting list, and a friend is still waiting for support. I will work with the SU and Hartpury Wellbeing Support services to promote mental health support, academic help, financial guidance and disability services more clearly – through social events and visible campaigns across the campus. This will help students access support more easily, especially those with additional needs. I recognise that waiting lists are an issue for many students.

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## 2. Creating Safe and Inclusive Spaces

Everyone should feel like they belong at Hartpury. I will work to strengthen inclusivity by creating cultural awareness events, LGBTQ+ inclusion, disability awareness, and open chats about diversity. I want to work with student groups to ensure students feel represented and respected. I have had my struggles, and I know what it feels like to be excluded from activities. Inspire would benefit from more lunch activities like board games, arts and crafts or a sit-down chat group. Chen, one of the Wellbeing Staff, is running one after half term. I would be happy to support and help develop more activities.

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## 3. Listening and Acting on Student Feedback

Everyone's voice matters. I will actively gather feedback through conversations, polls and student engagement. If something isn't working, I will raise it. If something needs improving, like the counselling waiting lists, lunchtime activities or stronger relationships with local wellbeing charities like Be Well Gloucestershire, Mind Gloucestershire, etc. I will push for change. I will also keep students updated so they know that everyone's voice is being heard.

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THREE WORDS TO DESCRIBE MYSELF:

Determined

Resilient

Creative

I am approachable, understanding and committed to helping students. I know wellbeing looks different for everyone, and I want to help create an environment where students feel comfortable asking for help and supporting one another.

Hartpury is a strong community, and I want to help make it even more supportive, inclusive and positive for everyone.

If you want someone who understands, listens, and will work hard to improve student wellbeing and inclusivity, I would be honoured to have your vote.

## Thank you

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