Course Rep constituencies in Combined Honours

What did/do you do?

Course Reps in Combined Honours work according to a constituency system.

Who is involved?

The system involves all CH Course Reps and is overseen by Colin Bryson, Director of the Combined Honours Centre.

How do you do it?

There are 4 Course Reps for each stage of Combined Honours. Each Course Rep has a constituency of about 30 students. Constituencies are organised by subject area where possible to build on existing connections.

The Chair and Secretary of the Student-Staff Committee are both former Course Reps but, given the demands of their roles, are not current Course Reps.

Why do you do it?

Whilst Combined Honours is one degree programme it is a diverse and disparate one. The constituency system is a way to subdivide the programme and link students with their Course Rep, making the representation system more effective.

Does it work?

Feedback from Course Reps shows that the constituency system is an effective way of contacting students. It is also popular: last year there were 20 candidates for 12 Course Rep positions.



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• Student Engagement

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