

## IFST University Representatives 2019/20

Institute of Food Science & Technology (IFST) is the UK's leading professional membership body for those involved in all aspects of food science and technology. Our core aim is to promote the general advancement and application of food science and technology for the benefit, safety and health of the public.

IFST are looking to appoint a student at every university in the UK which offers a food related degree. Our University Representatives are the eyes and ears of our student group and provide a valuable service in promoting IFST events and membership to their peers. They liaise with University contacts, promote IFST events and membership and work with our student group and local branch networks. Being a University Representative is a great chance to improve your skills, make new contacts in the industry and bolster your CV.

### Role Responsibilities

Your role as a Student Representative would include the following within your university:

- Promote IFST membership to student with an interest in food science and technology and related subjects
- Promote IFST and activities (such as conference, events, meetings) through different channels of social media
- Promote IFST directly to students (presentations/events), and circulate information sent to you about events, activities and news
- Work with the IFST University Contact (e.g. academics) to promote IFST. Where there isn't a contact, it will be the role of the student representative to help create one with support from IFST
- Connect with and collaborate with the university's Student Food Society if there is one
- Help at events in the region where possible and join the local Branch Committee
- Support and collaborate with the Student Group where possible
- Provide feedback and ideas regarding activities and the wider student engagement

### Time Commitment:

We appreciate your time and support with IFST to help promote the Institute and our values. Your role is quite flexible and will only require a few hours a month to help promote our Institute and our values. We would anticipate about 5 hours a month at the most, however this may depend on the activities you would like to do. One requirement of the role is to check in with the Education and Careers Coordinator at the end of each month, whether via emails, phone call or in person. Preapproved expenses will be provided to support you in your role in addition to opportunities for you to develop your professional and personal skills and experiences.

### Eligibility

- You must be a current IFST Student Member
- We will accept applications from any year of study, but consider if you will have time to fulfil the commitment if you are a final year student
- Maximum of two representatives from each university. Students can apply in pairs if they wish.

### Application Process

If you're interested in becoming an IFST University Representative, please follow this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MT6QJ77>

If you have any questions about the role or the application process, please contact Kiu Sum (Education and Careers Coordinator) at [k.sum@ifst.org](mailto:k.sum@ifst.org)

*IFST appreciates your help and support via your role and we understand that your circumstances may change and are no longer able to support the Institute with your role. If this becomes the case, IFST*

*would appreciate if you can notify us and if possible, you can help identify another student who may be interested with the role. The Education and Careers Coordinator with then contact them.*