

## SHEFFIELD HALLAM UNIVERSITY

### Membership of Sheffield Hallam Students' Union

As a student of Sheffield Hallam University, you automatically become a member of the [Sheffield Hallam Students' Union](#) (the Union). The Union exists to support, represent and advise you; to provide recreational, social, cultural and sporting activities; and to provide you with services that add to your University experience.

### Opting-out of membership

On rare occasions a student may wish to opt out of their Union membership. All students, members and non-members alike, have in general the right of access to services provided by the Union. However, students who choose to opt-out are:

- not permitted the right to vote in any Union or NUS elections, ballots or referenda;
- not permitted to stand for office in any Union or NUS election;
- not permitted to propose, second or nominate any candidate standing for election;
- not permitted to hold office in any Union sports club, society or group.

If a student feels that they have been unfairly disadvantaged as a result of opting out of membership of the Union, they may make a complaint under the Union's Complaints Procedure. ([Hallam Students Union](#))

The University has a [Code of Practice in relation to the operation of the Students' Union](#) and a [Student Privacy Notice](#) (which includes details of how the University shares student data with the Union). Both documents set out how a student can request to opt-out of membership of the Union.