

2021-2022  
STUDENT & UNIVERSITY



GUIDANCE



# WHAT IS THE HEVO PROGRAMME?

The Higher Education Volleyball Officer (HEVO) Programme is a volunteer initiative that sees students take up official ambassador roles and deliver recreational volleyball at their university during the academic year, with support from Volleyball England.

Official role description [here](#)

## ROLES OF A HEVO

1

Attends the HEVO Conference for induction training in September. This includes taking part in several practical and theory sessions, including a **UV Tournament**

2

Delivers weekly recreational volleyball sessions for the academic year at their University. This is a great way to develop coaching skills and motivate others.

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Organises a mass participation volleyball event and complete termly data reports to Volleyball England.

# ATTRIBUTES OF A HEVO

- Motivational to other students

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- Organisational Skills

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- IT and social media literate

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- The Volleyball voice at University

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- Enthusiasm for developing sport

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- Willingness to mentor others

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- Keen to learn

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- Friendly and approachable

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# WHY THE PROGRAMME IS SO POPULAR

## REACHING THE LESS ACTIVE



28% of students had never played volleyball



53% international students including 93 different nationalities



58% of students in the programme are female

## HEALTH AND WELLBEING



10% of students stated that a break from studying was their main motivation for participating



1-2 Hours per week is the average time spent playing volleyball as part of the programme



19% of students stated that keeping fit was their main motivation for participating

## STUDENT EXPERIENCE



9/10 Rating of fun by students when scoring the HEVO Programme



37% of students went on to represent their University



36% of students stated that a break and having fun with friends as their main motivation for participating

# PERKS OF THE PROGRAMME



## EMPLOYABILITY

85% of HEVOs felt they developed a professional skill set through being part of the programme.

- Enhanced CV and skill set
- Volleyball England references
- Networking opportunities



## TRAINING

Students are inducted into the role through the heavily subsidised HEVO Conference. Students will complete a number of practical and theoretical workshops, including the Activator course, Sitting Volleyball workshop and speed cage training.



## GRANT FUNDING

A grant of £150 for new Universities and £300 for returning Universities is awarded to each University involved in the programme to help support their volleyball development. This funding will be transferred on completion of the SLA, after the conference.



## COURSES

Discounted course places for each University.

2x free Grade 4 Referee course places **OR** £110 discount for a Level 1 coaching course place.



# HEVO CONFERENCE 2021



## TRAVEL AND ACCOMODATION

Transport to and from the hotel and the National Volleyball Centre will be provided. All HEVO's will be checked in to the Holiday Inn Express in twin rooms on the Thursday night.



## KIT

All HEVO's will receive a HEVO branded Errea hoodie and technical t-shirt in sizes of choice. In 2019 HEVO's rated the kit 4.8/5 and the RRP is £50.



## TRAINING

HEVO's will take part in both practical and theoretical seminars, specifically designed to provide HEVO's with all the necessary tools required for the role. In 2019 HEVO's rated this training 4.7/5.



## FOOD AND DRINK

Lunch and a hot dinner will be provided on Thursday with breakfast and lunch on Friday. Cold refreshments will be provided throughout the conference.



## PHOTOGRAPHY

Photos will be made available after the event from a professional photographer.

# STEPS TO JOIN THE PROGRAMME

1

Students: Contact your Sport department about the programme and contact us if you require additional information. You can watch the promo video [here](#).

Universities: Recruit one or more students to become your HEVO(s) who have the attributes identified on page 3 and in the [role description](#). You can watch the promo video [here](#).

2

Students: Complete the student online [application form](#) including information about the conference. The deadline is Monday 30th August 2021.

Universities: Complete the University online [application form](#), please note you will need your finance details to complete the form. The deadline is Monday 30th August 2021.

3

Students: Once submitted, please let your University lead know so they can complete payment.

Universities: Once the student and University application form is complete, please make payment via BACS, details on page 8.

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Students: Liaise with your University lead to make travel arrangements to attend the HEVO Conference. All other arrangements will be made by Volleyball England.

Universities: Liaise with the student(s) to make travel arrangements for them to attend the HEVO Conference. All other arrangements will be made by Volleyball England.

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Students: Attend the HEVO Conference on Thursday 23rd- Friday 24th September at the National Volleyball Centre in Kettering, NN15 6PB.

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Students: Run weekly recreational sessions during the academic year and record weekly attendance. Run a mass participation event during the academic year.

Universities: Ensure that your HEVO(s) have at least a one hour weekly slot in your Sports Hall for the weekly recreational sessions.

# CONTACT DETAILS

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## REGIONAL CHAIRS

Please feel free to get in touch with the Chair in your Region. If you are looking to enter community leagues, offer coaching in your local area or access local support, they will be able to help.

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## PAYMENT

The conference fee is heavily subsidised to £100 for your first HEVO place, additional places are £250 each. Please make payment using the details below. If you require any additional details regarding payment please email us.

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