STUDENT SOCIETY GUIDE

HOW TO REGISTER FOR A HANDSHAKE ACCOUNT, POST VACANCIES & EVENTS

Registering for a Handshake account

Visit https://app.joinhandshake.co.uk/login

Societies will register as employers, so you may need to sign out of your student account to reach this screen:

In the sign in box, enter the email address your society will be using to manage your Handshake presence – this should be one of your published society email accounts e.g. president@society, events@society – to ensure the account can be accessed and managed across changes of committee members and academic years.
If your society already has an account you will be directed to it, but if not, you will see the following options. Select ‘I’m an employer’.

Once you have agreed to the Terms and Conditions of Use, you will be sent a confirmation request to the email address you provided.
Once you’ve done this, the next step is to create your society as an organisation:

*NB if you find that you are unable to progress this step because your email domain is linked to another account, please get in touch with us to discuss alternative approaches, by emailing enquiries@careers.ac.uk

Fill out the details as requested:
Posting vacancies/opportunities

Societies may advertise their committee positions or other volunteer roles via Handshake. To do so, click on post a job and complete the fields as requested. Please note that for committee positions, the ‘Job Type’ should be ‘Volunteer’.
In the ‘Job Role’ field also select ‘Volunteer’.

Leave the ‘Level of study’ field blank to ensure it reaches all students.

The next screen asks where you would like the vacancy posted. Ensure that you only have University of Cambridge selected and that the box ‘Include students on the Handshake open network’ remains unticked.

Finally add the closing date for applications, preview how the role will appear and click ‘Save’. The vacancy will then come through to the Careers Service, who will check and approve it, so it is visible to students.
If you have any paid opportunities, you may post those following the same process, but choose the appropriate role type from the menu. All vacancies must comply with the Careers Service’s Vacancy Policy.

Creating an event on Handshake

From your society account, select ‘Events’ then ‘request event’ (all events have to be approved by the Careers Service prior to being accessible to students)

Fill out the fields as requested, although please note that whilst the description field is listed as optional we require you to provide a description of the event before we are able to approve the listing. All events must have a clear description of the event, including, but not limited to:

1. Title
2. Target audience
3. Intended purpose of the session
4. Instructions on how to sign-up for the event, apply or register interest
5. A contact email for questions and enquiries.

If a society partners with an employer(s) to deliver an event, that employer(s) should also have, or create, an employer account on Handshake. Where event speakers are attending in an individual capacity e.g. alumni or individual contacts not representing their organisation, this does not apply.

The Careers Service will seek to ensure that a given event only appears once on Handshake, i.e. is posted either by the employer or by the society. All events will be approved individually and need to be compliant with the Careers Service’s Events Policy.