VOTE CHRISTINE FOR WELFARE+ RIGHTS OFFICER

POLICIES>>>>
MENTAL HEALTH PROVISION
> Advocating for all colleges to have a college counselor or equivalent, so that in-college pastoral care does not rely solely on nurses or tutors.
> Pushing for the introduction of more creative or integrative psychotherapy practices, such as art, drama or music based therapies.
> Working towards increasing the number of counseling sessions students can assess, and broadening out the support that is offered both before and after these sessions.

EXPERIENCE>>>>
> Women’s Campaign Disabilities Officer
> Newnham College BME Officer
> Personal experience of the intermission process, as well as of the University Counseling Service and Disability Resource Centre, so I have a good first-hand understanding of how these services operate, and what changes should be encouraged.

INTERMISSION
> Furthering work towards improving and standardizing the intermission process across all colleges.
> Continuing gathering student testimonies and feedback to identify the strengths and weaknesses of the current system.

TRAINING
> Set up a bi-termy Welfare forum and an online feedback form for college welfare officers to relay their concerns.
> Pushing for even more thorough crisis and mental health first aid training for porters.
> Standardizing and making mandatory the pastoral training for all college welfare staff – especially tutors - to ensure that there are fewer disparities in welfare provision across colleges.
> Ensuring that both in-college counselors and counselors within the university counseling service are trained to work inter-culturally so that these services are even more inclusive and accessible.

Voting opens 6th-9th March via www.vote.cusu.cam.ac.uk