



## RCN Student Member of Council Election 2018

### Candidate Profile for Rhys Thompson

#### Nomination statement

My name is Rhys Thompson and I am an adult nursing student in my second year. I am running for the role of a student member of the RCN Council because I want to represent and be the voice of those who are the future of nursing! In my first year I was one of the set academic representatives and one of the many things that we achieved was to arrange a meeting with different members of Parliament to put across our cohort's views about the scrapping of the bursary and the increasing challenges that we are facing. Not only that but the biggest challenge was fighting for a kettle and a microwave at our university (still ongoing)!

For my elective placement I am going to India which will give me an insight on their healthcare system and I will be able to put across why our health system is worth protecting. I also would like to encourage males to join the nursing profession as there is simply not enough of us out there!

By having the responsibility of being the voice for students I can bring new energy and insight to improve our experience of being a student nurse. I am ready for the challenges ahead and ready to fight for you! We are the future of the nursing profession and I want to help fulfil our potential of providing the best care and experience for our patients.

#### Career Information

Dates (years)	Name of workplace and job title	Main achievements
2015 - present	St John Ambulance	Currently an Advanced First Aider/Student HCP and Training Lead for Lancaster.
2017	Blackpool and Fylde College	Access to HE: Distinction in Human Physiology, Merit in Sociology.

### Other relevant experience

University of Cumbria First Aid Society – Chairmen (Ongoing)

Princes Trust Ambassador (2011)

### RCN involvement

<b>Dates (years)</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Main achievements</b>
2017	-	Members of the RCN was there during the meeting with members of parliament.