

Student Ambassador Handbook





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Handbook Overview

This handbook is designed to give you an overview of who we are, how much fun this is and what it means to be a Student Ambassador.

OHT is a good balance of fun and chaos. Whilst you're reading this, please also have a think about your motivations for joining us. There is usually a balance of selfish and selfless reasons e.g. I want to build my personal profile AND I want to give back to others. It's crucial that you have interest in at least one, if not all, of these factors:

- Elements of community-building
- Diversity
- HealthTech

The important thing to remember is we are all doing this together, as volunteers, who love helping one another to build a more open and inclusive health technology sector, whilst having a lot of fun. Sounds good, eh!? Let's get to work!





About the One HealthTech Community

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Who We Are

One HealthTech is a global, volunteer-led, grassroots community that supports and promotes women and other under-represented groups to be future leaders in health innovation. We inspire, celebrate, enable and champion diversity in healthtech.

The OHT community comes from many different sectors, countries and backgrounds, and includes health and care providers, startups, corporates, academics and charities, as well as individual chaos-creating innovators.

Having started as a small meet-up in London in late 2015, OHT has grown to now have hubs all over the UK, as well as internationally, in Ireland, Sweden and

Australia. All hubs are led by local community-builders, passionate about healthtech in their region.

What We Do

We provide grassroots communities with the platform to build a local, inclusive by design, healthtech community. We make all this happen through facilitating the growth of local ecosystems who collaborate across all regions.

We host friendly, informal, informative events and showcase healthtech trailblazers and organisations. We share and collaborate on amazing opportunities, and of course, stretch out a welcoming hand to whoever wants to join in on transforming health and care.

100+ Volunteers

10+ Hubs

10k+ Community Contributors

Vision

That healthtech is vibrant, open and accessible.

Mission

To empower local grassroots communities to thrive by inspiring, celebrating, enabling and championing diversity in healthtech.

Beliefs

We believe that innovation in health technology should be accessible to everyone. We also believe in the power of human networks and communities to drive change, and that every voice should be heard so that technology can positively impact all.

We believe that grassroots communities can drive change.

So, we provide them with the platform that allows people to build their local, inclusive by design, healthtech community. We make all this happen through facilitating the growth of local ecosystems and hosting friendly, informal & informative events. We also showcase healthtech leaders and organisations, whilst profiling trailblazers and sharing resources & opportunities.

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Inspire

We inspire the community through showcasing, connecting, profiling and laughing.



We bring together doers, thinkers and trailblazers to change the face of future healthcare. The community is free to join - we feel our resources and the opportunities we provide should be as accessible as possible.

Celebrate

We celebrate the successes (and failures!) for better learning and warm fuzzies.



We are community builders. We host and curate events, covering topics from virtual reality, mental health and interoperability, to leadership, data privacy and social care. These range from breakfast gatherings or lunch-time fireside chats, to evening get-togethers.

We are present at all major national conferences, and you'll find us either hosting networking drinks, organising information sessions, or putting on weird and wonderful Collaborathons (non-technical hackathons, in case you were having a 'what's that?' moment).

Enable

We enable women and underrepresented groups to have better access to the sector.



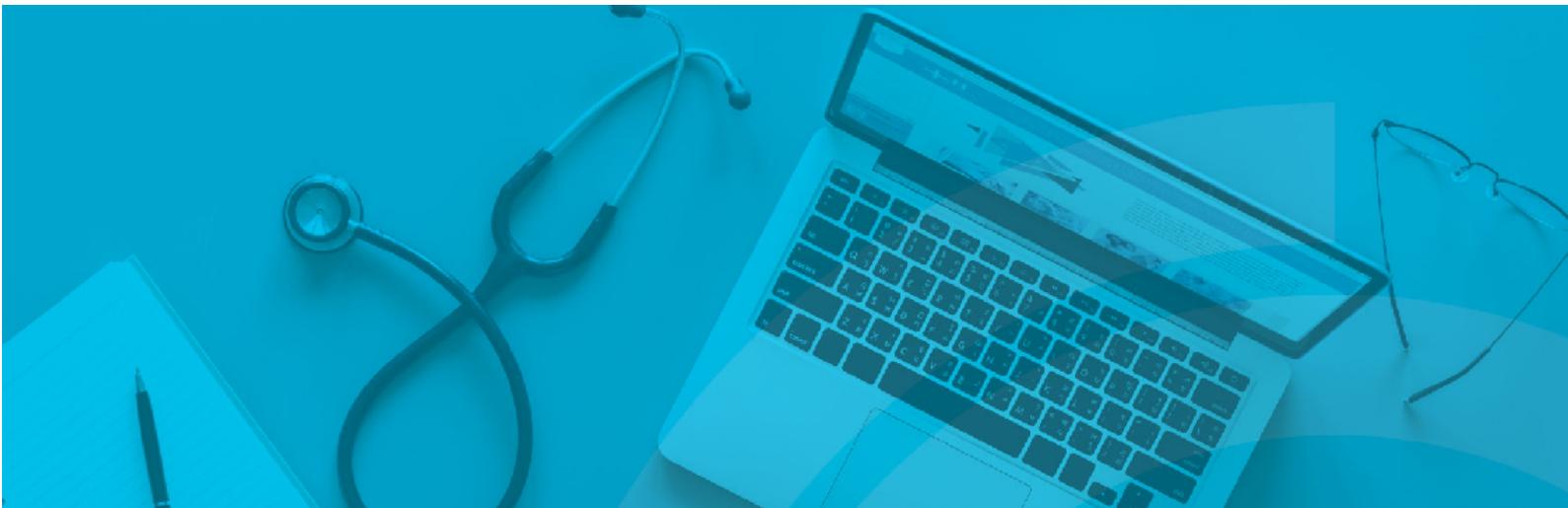
We offer concrete benefits to our community. On the more practical side of things, we also negotiate discounts to external health-technology events for the community and promote interesting professional opportunities. Moreover, we provide business and legal support for SMEs, introduce potential mentors and mentees to one another, as well as broker new business connections.

Champion

We champion a cause of better diversity in healthtech.



In our spare time, we spread the news and activities of our community, their organisations and the causes they support, from profiling unique and varied members, to showcasing a #startupofthemoth or an awesome human.



The problems One HealthTech is trying to solve

Health is increasingly becoming dependent on technology, yet though the healthcare workforce is overwhelmingly female, health technology has very poor diversity across most domains. This has a considerable effect on the impact, reach and culture of the health technology sector and the effectiveness of its innovations, from inaccessible devices to biased data sets.

Culture

Health technology has a culture problem; the flashy “Silicon Valleyers”, the “archetypal techies” or the senior leadership clique. This results in an inaccessible and myopic work environment.

Role models

The lack of diversity in leadership and the inflexible hierarchy across the sector stunts its impact and growth, as well as creating a vacuum of role models.

Skills & Opportunities

in health. There is a need to provide opportunities to up-skill, inspire and demystify essential knowledge in health technology.

By not addressing some of the barriers to access for women and individuals from diverse backgrounds, we risk curtailing the future of innovation in healthcare.



Getting Involved

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We are all about community, but communities need to be built at all sorts different levels and by passionate individuals. Realistically, a centrally-organized national community is not sufficiently specific, nor close enough to local champions, for One HealthTech to remain the open and close-knit community it currently is.

We want to help the creation of local communities, all united by one current vision - a more inclusive, diverse and representative health technology sector.

Each region knows what is best for their geography. Each person has their own personal network of thriving enthusiasts and partners. We want to give each, and every person involved in One HealthTech the space and autonomy to thrive in building their local Hub.

A community is only as strong as its parts, and those parts are the passionate individuals on the ground, sharing their love for health technology.

Through OHT's work, a frequently raised issue by students was the lack of awareness of roles and opportunities in healthtech, and a frustration at the fact many university curricula have not provided up-to-date resources and teaching.

We are therefore creating Student Ambassador roles to support university trailblazers to champion innovation in health in their universities, be the link to external community activities and support individuals to build and grow their own student network.



Student Ambassadors

Ambassador Role

- Have your profile on the OHT website as a Student Ambassador
- Curate and edit >5 student healthtech blogs or interviews from your friends and colleagues, to be shared via OHT and its media partners
- Be the go-to person for all student and university matters if you are in a city with an OHT Hub
- Promote and disseminate OHT or your local Hub events through the student body
- Take part in panels and speaking opportunities when your local Hub requires student input
- Be supported by your local Hub and other Student Ambassadors to set up a student HealthTech society at your university
- Publicly display (Twitter, LinkedIn etc) your position as an innovation champion through this role. That in itself exposes other students to the world of healthtech!



Benefits of Being a Student Ambassador

- Join a rapidly-growing international community of like-minded student ambassadors
- Build your network in the healthtechnology space and become a rising star!
- Generate a thriving community of healthtechnologists in your university and city
- Opportunities for financial support and external partners to run your own student-focused activities at your university
- Be the key point of contact between students and OHT
- Priority access to discounted and free conference tickets and opportunities obtained through OHT
- Valuable experience to help build your CV
- As the scheme grows, there will be opportunities to grow and develop leadership and management skills as we establish a core team of students who help support a much larger network of Student Ambassadors

This isn't about sitting behind a faceless organization, this is about making you all local champions and getting your regions on the map.

This scheme is for self-starters, YOU are the best person to know what YOUR university needs - this is about creating a community and sharing passion. Do you have what it takes?

Eligibility

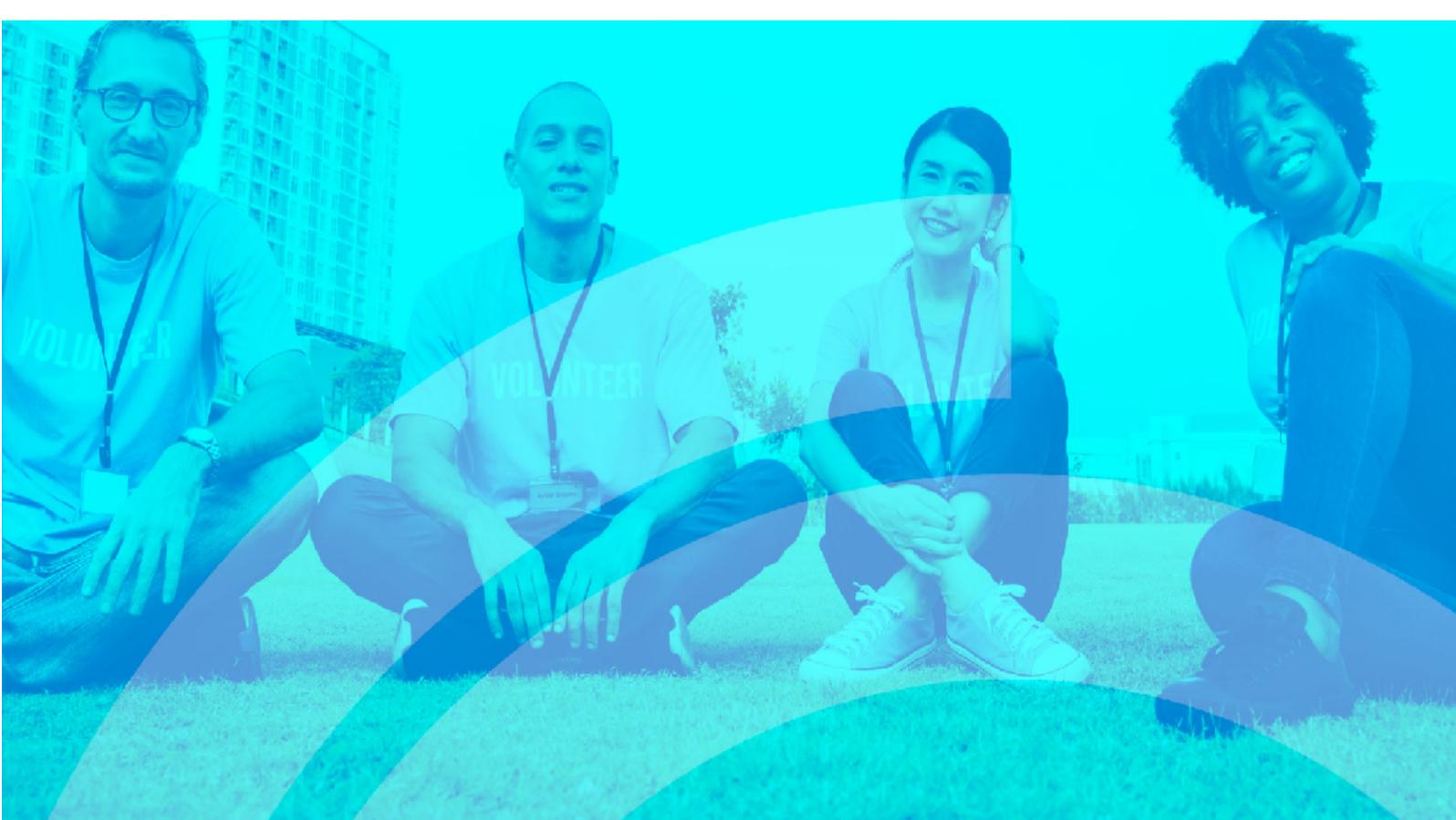
- Be a student at a university or college anywhere
- You must be an undergraduate, medical student, Masters student or PhD student with at least 2 years left before you graduate
- Whilst this scheme is aimed at students, we welcome applications from apprentices!
- Be able to allocate approximately 2-3 hours a week to the role
- Have an interest in health technology
- Have a passion and preferably some experience in organizing events, managing groups, curating activities and content, and community-related activities
- Whilst this role is open to all genders, we strongly encourage women / non-binary to apply

If you wish to take part, please email our University Lead, Clare Woods (clarewoods91@gmail.com).

Please send us a few lines as to:

- 1) Where you would be a Student Ambassador
- 2) Why you wish to be a Student Ambassador (~300 words)
- 3) Some ideas of what you would do in the role

We recruit for Student Ambassadors on an on-going basis. For more information about OHT, please visit us at www.onehealthtech.com





**Let's Conquer the World
Together**