



The Association of Veterinary Students

AVS/IVSA UK & Ireland Elections 2022

Name: Jess Knowles

Position: Vice President IVSA

Vet School: Harper Keele (Harper Local President)

Year: 2

About me:

I am currently the IVSA Harper president and am looking to go into large exotic medicine. I spend a lot of time in the Shropshire hills walking with my rescue dog Freddie and am an avid cook; I particularly enjoy trying international dishes. I thoroughly enjoy travelling (when I can afford it!) with my partner and my favourite country is South Africa. Any time I have left is spent with family, friends, and my birds.

Experience:

Since September I have been the IVSA Harper local president, working alongside the Keele president, to kickstart our IVSA chapter. Although we have had some challenges, we've managed to build a team, gain good support from our university and potential sponsors, and explore great ideas for getting our students involved. We hope to continue expanding our chapter throughout the rest of the year. At my time in sixth form, I was the president of the veterinary society, which involved helping year 12 with vet school application prep and placements, as well as delivering interactive veterinary related sessions. The sessions were on current topics within the veterinary field and were quiz and discussion based. Both roles have given me invaluable skills and experience.

What I would try to achieve in my role:

In this role, I would like to explore IVSA more, on a national and international level. I hope to get involved with events and contribute to AVS/IVSA as much as I can. The VP role is a great opportunity to establish my understand, allowing for full commitment and contribution when moving into the president role.

Why you should vote for me:

I hope to gain your vote because I am a determined person with enthusiasm to learn more and get involved within the greater IVSA community. The skills I have acquired will help me settle into the role and work as a committed and valuable part of this team.

Thank you