Are you the next RCOT education liaison officer?

Only 53 per cent of students were members of the RCOT at the start of this academic year. At the time of going to press, 66 per cent of students are now members of RCOT with hopes that the number will continue to rise.

Some of the universities with the highest RCOT student membership rate include; University of Brighton, Robert Gordon University, Ulster University, and the University of Essex.

The education liaison officer is responsible for promoting the value of membership of the Royal College to occupational therapy students. A key aspect of this role is to undertake visits to all of the national universities with occupational therapy programmes, to meet with students and inform them of the benefits of student membership.

Speaking about her role as the current RCOT education liaison officer, Kelly Hiscox said: ‘Being the education liaison officer at the Royal College has been an invaluable opportunity for my professional development. Working at the Royal College has given me a unique outlook on the profession and the skills that I gained over the past year are transferable to any future practice setting.

Within this role I have been able to share some of my recent experiences of RCOT membership, as I am a new graduate myself, and offer examples of how student membership supported me throughout my studies at Coventry University. I have enjoyed connecting with and developing strong relationships with occupational therapy students across all of the four nations. I wish all the students that I have met this academic year the very best of luck in their future careers.’

Do you have a passion for supporting occupational therapy students? Do you strive to enhance your transferable skills? Do you want to work at the Royal College? For further information about becoming the next RCOT education liaison officer, please email Maureen Shiells on [*Maureen.sheills@rcot.co.uk*](mailto:Maureen.sheills@rcot.co.uk) or visit: *www.rcot.co.uk/about-us/work-for-us*.