

Robert Tomback
(Winner of PSA Student of the Year)

Robert is a truly exceptional student. He has immersed himself in a wide range of activities to enhance his employability. His passion for personal development shone through at application and interview stage. He skilfully articulated his skills and achievements to give a flawless interview on the PSA (Advanced) pathway. Every employer and staff member that has met Robert, during his time on the PSA, has been impressed with his enthusiasm and professionalism. This makes him an excellent ambassador for Birmingham.

Robert has been involved with a range of activities whilst at Birmingham, including:

- Completing a variety of Law internships; and participation in debating and mooting activities within his academic department
- Playing for the Table Tennis First Team, and progressing to Club Captain
- Holding the position of Head Football Coach at Camp America, progressing to Director of Athletics in the following year
- Over 11 years of football coaching experience to young people in local schools
- A range of volunteering experiences including: a volunteer placement as an Assistant Medic Volunteer in Israel; volunteering in a Youth Leadership Programme in the position of Mentor; and volunteering in an Elderly Care Home.
- A variety of student representation activities including: holding the position of Guild Councillor; and representing Birmingham as an NUS Conference Delegate.

It was a combination of these activities, and his commitment to making the most of the opportunities afforded to him whilst at Birmingham, which secured him the title of PSA Student of the Year. He is truly an exceptional student, and an excellent example of an ambassador for Birmingham.

Robert's comments on his PSA experiences were *"The professionalism of the PSA programme equipped me with an enhanced skill set, bridging the gap on the learning journey between University and my future career, helping to improve my employability."*