



# **Technological University Dublin Students' Union**

## **Motions, Mandates and Policy Book 2026/2027**

This document contains all valid motions, mandates and policies passed and ratified by the Student Council and are deemed valid until they are completed, and deemed closed by Student Council, or upon their natural expiry, as notified to the Student Council.

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Student Council Motion/Mandate	Falling	Mandated
<p data-bbox="204 264 901 342">1. Transition to sustainable plant-based options in canteens</p> <p data-bbox="204 398 531 432">Student Council Notes:</p> <p data-bbox="204 443 906 1339">The world is experiencing a climate crisis that needs to be urgently acted upon. At the moment, the Irish government is significantly behind their EU greenhouse reduction target, a failure that will both exacerbate the climate crisis domestically and leave the State liable for fines of up to €28 billion from the European Union. Direct actions towards mitigating the climate crisis is required- as recognised by the TU Dublin's Climate Action Roadmap. However, animal agricultural practices- one of the largest sources of greenhouse gas emissions and a major driver in biodiversity loss, extinction of native animal species, reduction of natural habitat, and water pollution in Ireland- is not currently considered in any significant way in the university's Climate Action Roadmap. As a university that prides itself in being a leader in sustainability, changing the food system to transition towards a sustainable plant-based model in our canteens is imperatively needed.</p> <p data-bbox="204 1395 600 1429">Student Council Also Notes:</p> <p data-bbox="204 1440 890 1787">Transitioning towards a sustainable plant-based food system is a much more achievable and cheaper goal to implement quickly than existing decarbonisation processes within the university's climate action roadmap. Research shows that a 50% expansion of plant-based alternatives by 2050 can reduce agriculture and land use related greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by 31%.</p> <p data-bbox="204 1843 890 2013">Expanding sustainable plant-based options in the University canteens is not only beneficial for the environment... it is also naturally lactose-free, naturally Halal, and very easily Kosher. It would</p>	<p data-bbox="933 264 1094 297">05.02.2028</p>	<p data-bbox="1117 264 1361 297">The SU Executive</p>

<p>also be an opportunity to make the food on campus healthier and open new doors for discussion to make it more accessible.</p> <p><b>Student Council Applauds:</b> Students at 24 universities have already voted in favour of fully plant-based catering, with many, such as Stirling in Scotland, opening fully plant-based outlets. Student unions at leading institutions including Cambridge, UCL, Imperial in the UK and many across Europe have backed the initiative.</p> <p><b>Student Council Mandates:</b> The SU Executive to lobby the university, including Sustainability and other key stakeholders, to expand sustainable plant-based options by 50% across the University canteens.</p> <p><b>Student Council Further Mandates:</b> The SU executive to increase awareness regarding the benefits of plant-based catering to the students of TU Dublin.</p>		
<p><b>2. Accessible Use of Campus Spaces for Societies and Cultural Events</b></p> <p><b>Student Council Notes:</b> Societies play a vital role in student life at TU Dublin, particularly in fostering community, cultural expression, and inclusion. Access to suitable campus spaces is essential for societies to host meaningful events and celebrations for students.</p> <p><b>Student Council Also Notes:</b> Societies at TU Dublin are currently required to pay significant booking fees to use the Concert Hall on campus. This space is the most suitable venue for large-scale society events, including cultural celebrations. However, due to the high costs</p>	05.02.2028	Ethnic Diversity PTO, The Executive

<p>imposed by university management, many societies are unable to afford this venue, effectively preventing them from hosting cultural, heritage, and community-based events on campus.</p> <p>Student Council Notes Further: TU Dublin is home to a highly diverse student population... Financial barriers to accessing appropriate campus spaces disproportionately impact cultural and ethnic societies, limiting their ability to represent and serve their members.</p> <p>Student Council Mandates: The Executive, led by the Part-Time Officer for Ethnic Diversity, to engage with Societies, Student Life, and relevant university departments to assess the impact of venue booking costs on societies, particularly cultural and ethnic societies.</p> <p>Student Council Further Mandates: The Executive, led by the Part-Time Officer for Ethnic Diversity, to work with university management to establish a system whereby campus venues—such as the Concert Hall—are either fully subsidised or made free of charge for societies, particularly for cultural and community-focused events, from the 2026/2027 academic year onwards.</p>		
<p>3. Consent Awareness at Orientation</p> <p>Student Council Notes: Consent awareness is a vital part of university life and students upon the first week of orientation should receive an appropriate education relative to the topic.</p> <p>Student Council Also Notes: During the 2025 first-year orientation which welcomed upwards of 7,000 new students,</p>	16.04.2028	VP Welfare & Exec

<p>Student Life from TU Dublin have decided to exclude Consent Awareness during the main part of orientation. Citing that there were reports from students that deemed the awareness 'inappropriate', consent awareness have been pushed outside of the timetable and was isolated to the hallways as voluntary interaction instead.</p> <p>Student Council Mandates: The Executive, led by VP of Welfare, to identify appropriate consent education/training relevant to first-year students at the first week of orientation.</p> <p>Student Council Further Mandates: The Executive, led by VP of Welfare, to work with Student Life, any appropriate committees and university staff to include consent education/training during the first year orientation for 2026/2027 and subsequent years.</p>		
<p>4. Multifaith Rooms in the University</p> <p>Student Council Notes: The current state of multifaith rooms in the university is not fit for purpose.</p> <p>Student Council Also Notes: TU Dublin is a diverse university with upwards to 27,000 students of diverse background. Some of our students, particularly the Muslim community, require facilities to be able to comfortably practice their prayer at certain time of the day. The current multifaith rooms across the university do not reflect the needs of our students with some reportedly having to travel across campuses to pray.</p> <p>Student Council Applauds: Royal College of Surgeons Ireland for having properly equipped and comfortable prayer rooms.</p>	05.02.2028	President, CVPs, VP Welfare

<p>Student Council Notes/Recognises: That the former TU Dublin SU City Campus VP, Mr Peter McCann, in collaboration with the Islamic Society, previously identified Room 221 at Bolton Street campus as a suitable alternative space.</p> <p>Student Council Regrets: The disproportionate discomfort and exclusion experienced by female students arising from the absence of adequate and private Multifaith facilities.</p> <p>Student Council Mandates: The president, the campus VP's and the VP for Welfare and Equality to work with the university and key stakeholders to ensure that there are proper facilities for Multifaith Rooms across TU Dublin- with measurable and demonstrable progress update within two academic semesters of the approval of this motion.</p>		
<p>5. 5 Campus Commitment from TU Dublin</p> <p>Student Council Notes: There is currently no formal recognition from TU Dublin regarding the status of the amalgamation of three City Campuses – Aungier Street, Bolton Street and Linenhall, and Grangegorman. This lack of clarification has led to the lack of investment and eventual dereliction of Aungier Street, Bolton Street, and Linenhall.</p> <p>Student Council Also Notes: Since TU Dublin's foundation in 2019, multiple campuses across the city under the former Dublin Institute of Technology (DIT) have closed due to their relocation to Grangegorman. However, Bolton Street, Aungier and Linenhall have received no relocation timeline, framework nor formal confirmation of the building's status which has led to its lack of investment.</p>	05.02.2028	President and CVP

<p><b>Student Council Mandates:</b> That the President and VP for City Campus to lobby TU Dublin executives for a confirmation of a 5 Campus Commitment that would enshrine the status of Aungier Street, Bolton Street and Linenhall as its own campus with appropriate investment.</p> <p><b>Student Council Further Mandates:</b> That the President and VP for City Campus lobby the university for a 5-year plan for Bolton and Aungier Street that would focus on its revitalisation and future vision for the campus.</p> <p><b>Student Council Further Mandates:</b> That the Students' Union executive continues to engage with specific campus committees and taskforce such as 'House Committee' to engage with key stakeholders in the building.</p>		
<p><b>6. Accessible Resources for Students seeking supports</b></p> <p><b>Student Council Notes:</b> The SU website is an invaluable resource for students seeking support; there is, however, a number of steps students must follow to find their way to the page concerning the Student Advice &amp; Advocacy Team.</p> <p><b>Student Council Highlights:</b> The SU plays an essential role in the support of its members; the Student Advice &amp; Advocacy Team are a priceless asset to the Union and their work and dedication to supporting students is admirable.</p> <p><b>Student Council Further Notes:</b> Access to resources pertaining to support services should be made as accessible as possible for all</p>	12.12.2026	VP Communications & Media

<p>students.</p> <p>Student Council Mandates: The VP Communications and Media to organise the addition of a 'button' to the front page of the SU website, directly linking to the Advice &amp; Advocacy Team webpage. The 'button' shall be easily located and easily accessible from the front page (e.g. clearly labelled and placed at the top).</p>		
<p>7. Strict Prohibition of the Use of Generative AI in Graphics and Media in TU Dublin SU</p> <p>Student Council Notes: TU Dublin SU recognises that there is no Generative AI policy in place for graphics.</p> <p>Student Council Also Notes: TU Dublin SU also recognises it had made use of Generative AI in posters and digital media for promotion of events. Prohibiting the use of AI will lead to a more ethical approach to design whereby art is protected from plagiarism and misinformation. It will also comply with sustainability initiatives as Generative AI is known to have a negative impact on the environment.</p> <p>Student Council Mandates: That there must be no use of Generative AI in any design or graphic produced and published by TU Dublin SU and all content is human made.</p>	20.03.2028	The Executive
<p>8. Removal of Advertising of X Account from Website and Promotional Material</p> <p>Introduction: In 2022, Elon Musk bought Twitter and renamed it X. The Student Union has grown concerned over reports of lax terms and conditions related to hate speech since Musk acquired the platform. The Student Union recognises universities worldwide have boycotted the platform already</p>	26.03.2028	The Executive

<p>with Queens University Belfast being an example close to home. The student union has also grown concerned of reports of Grok AI being used to create nude deepfakes of women and children without consent. The Student Union does not tolerate hate speech or image-based sexual abuse and does not want to support platforms that allow it to happen.</p> <p>Mandates: The Student Union demands that links to the TUDSU X account be removed from the website and other places where the X account is advertised digitally immediately. The Student Union also demands a halt to physical advertisement of the X account from the 2026/27 academic year. The Student Union also mandates the President of the Student Union to release a statement on other socials to relay the reasoning behind the halt of use of the platform and the steps and timeline being taken to reduce advertising of the platform and how the Student Union is distancing itself from the platform. The Student Union also mandates the Student Union president to encourage clubs, societies and the university itself to halt their usage of the platform.</p>		
<p>9. Period Poverty</p> <p>Student Council Notes: Given the current Cost-of-Living crisis within Ireland (and abroad), attending a HEI (Higher Education Institution) is becoming increasingly unaffordable; the cost of accommodation, transport and fees is pushing education back towards being a 'privilege' that only the affluent can afford. Additional 'hidden costs' within TU Dublin, such as a lack of access to free period products, further alienate the most disadvantaged students across all sites.</p>	05.02.2028	VP Welfare & Equality

<p><b>Student Council Further Notes:</b>  Student numbers in TU Dublin have dropped significantly in the past academic year (24/25), which the Union believes can be attributed to a poor student experience and consequently poor retention rate. The Union therefore believes that initiatives such as free period products through functioning during campus opening hours should be implemented across TU Dublin. This will help mitigate the cost of sanitary products.</p> <p><b>Student Council Understands:</b>  Other HEI's across Ireland have achieved success in this area to varying degrees. It should be noted that a period poverty initiative has commenced (free period product vendors in the various campuses).</p> <p><b>Student Council therefore Mandates:</b>  The VP for Welfare &amp; Equality (in conjunction with the Part-Time Officer for Gender Equality and campus VPs) to lobby the University to achieve the goal of Free Period Products across all bathrooms in TU Dublin (not just bathrooms deemed 'female'). These lobbying efforts must include:  Present a research document to Council outlining how other HEI's have achieved success, to what degree, and subsequent recommendations for TU Dublin SU.</p> <p><b>Student Council further Mandates:</b>  The VP for Welfare &amp; Equality (in conjunction with the Part-Time Officer for Gender Equality and campus VPs) to implement additional actions (whether generated by themselves or Council) if the new initiative should fail or not be properly regulated.</p>		
<p>10. Larger Dedicated Prayer Room in Tallaght</p> <p>Student Council Notes:</p>	<p>12.12.2026</p>	<p>VP Welfare &amp; Equality</p>

The current prayer room facilities at the Tallaght campus are severely inadequate. The existing prayer space is essentially a small storage room, which can only accommodate 7-8 individuals. This results in overcrowding, with individuals praying in the hallway. The situation affects both Muslim students and those of other faiths who require a quiet space for prayer and reflection. The lack of suitable facilities presents health and safety risks, including tripping hazards due to shoe overflow and ventilation issues.

**Student Council Also Notes:**

Despite advocating for this issue for over 10 years, no effective solution has been provided. Similar issues at other campuses, such as Grangegorman, Blanch and Aungier street, have been resolved, yet Tallaght remains without an adequate solution. The university, committed to diversity and equality, should provide similar provisions for Tallaght students as it does at other campuses.

**Student Council Believes:**

A dedicated prayer space is essential for the well-being of students of all faiths on campus. The lack of suitable facilities not only impacts religious practices but also presents safety and accessibility challenges. The current arrangement, where men often have to pray outside while women use the room or vice versa underscores the need for inclusive facilities that accommodate all students equally, ensuring no one is left without a proper space for prayer.

**Student Council Therefore Mandates:**

The VP for Welfare & Equality and VP for Tallaght should work with the university administration to identify and allocate a suitable room students within the end of next semester.

<p>11. Intimate Partner Violence Working Group</p> <p>Student Council Notes:  Intimate partner violence is one of the biggest threats to vulnerable individuals worldwide, and disproportionately affecting young women and children. According to the World Health Organisation 30% of all women worldwide have been the victim of intimate partner violence; this is reflected in Ireland with 1 in 6 Irish women have experienced sexual or physical violence by a partner since the age of 15. The 2022 'Domestic, Sexual and Gender Based Violence' report by An Garda Síochána highlights that 80% of victims of sexual offences, and 67% of victims of harassment and related offences between 2019 and 2022 were women. Too Into You report that 1 in 5 young women aged 18-25 have been abused by a current male partner or ex.</p> <p>Student Council Mandates:  The VP Welfare &amp; Equality to establish an 'Intimate Partner Violence' Working Group with the purpose of developing a comprehensive policy regarding the SU's approach to supporting students experiencing intimate partner violence. All policy shall be developed in-line with the recommendations of the leading organisations tackling intimate partner violence such as Women's Aid, Men's Aid, LGBT Ireland, and the Men's Mental Health Forum.* This working group shall be made up of the following members:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. VP Welfare &amp; Equality</li> <li>2. VP for Communications &amp; Media</li> <li>3. Gender Equality PTO</li> <li>4. LGBTQ+ Rights PTO</li> </ol> <p>Student Council Further Mandates:  The Working Group shall produce the following policies and mandate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mandating the display and distribution of</li> </ul>	<p>21.11.2026</p>	<p>VP Welfare &amp; Equality</p>
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<p>resources to all students (i.e. requiring all SU spaces to contain clear and accessible information)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mandating annual awareness training for the Executive in-line with the training and development guidelines published by Women’s Aid.</li> <li>• Policy clearly outlining the Union’s approach to supporting those experiencing intimate partner violence and its relevant aims and objectives — this shall be in-line with the current ‘Zero Tolerance’ national strategy which calls for Prevention, Protection, Prosecution and Policy co-ordination.</li> </ul>		
<p>12. Gender Equality Standing Committee</p> <p>Student Council Notes: The intersectional nature of issues pertaining to gender equality, and the immense impact this has on the wellbeing and mental health of students. These issues include, but are not limited to, ongoing misogyny on campuses by both staff and students, lack of support by the University for transgender students, gender based division within academic fields, and the stigma surrounding intimate partner violence.</p> <p>Student Council Commends: Previous work of the Union in support of transgender students, which increased the visibility of the issues pertaining to the lack of access of essential gender-affirming healthcare, lack of gender neutral signage in bathrooms etc. Also the Women in Academia campaign which highlighted the achievements of female-presenting people traditionally male-dominated academic fields.</p> <p>Student Council Acknowledges: The sheer volume of issues pertaining to gender</p>	20.02.2027	VP Welfare & Equality

<p>equality cannot be tackled by one individual, and require a dedicated team of people in various areas of expertise. The establishment of a standing committee dedicated to handling these issues would foster a collaborative and supportive environment, best equipped to tackle gender inequality.</p> <p>Student Council Mandates: The establishment of the ‘Gender Equality’ standing committee, made up of the following members:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. President</li> <li>2. VP Welfare &amp; Equality</li> <li>3. Blanchardstown CVP</li> <li>4. City CVP</li> <li>5. Tallaght CVP</li> <li>6. Gender Equality PTO</li> <li>7. LGBTQ+ Rights PTO</li> <li>8. A representative of TU Dublin (for example a counsellor, nurse, chaplain, etc.)</li> <li>9. 3 members of Student Council who are not elected Officers</li> </ol> <p>This committee is to be established by the end of May 2025 and shall thereafter provide updates to the Council at each convening. This committee will be responsible for overseeing and developing policy regarding issues of gender equality concerning the students of TU Dublin.</p> <p>Student Council Further Mandates: The VP Welfare &amp; Equality to produce and circulate to all Student Councillors, an outline of the structure, aims and objectives of this committee before the first Student Council meeting of the 2025/26 academic year.</p>		
<p>13. Reproductive Health initiative</p> <p>Student Council notes:</p>	<p>05.02.2028</p>	<p>VP Welfare &amp; Exec</p>

<p>The essential requirement to have awareness of reproductive health issues accessible to the members of the student body.</p> <p>Student Council further notes:  TU Dublin inhabits a vast number of students, the academic year 2025/2026 is currently occupying approximately 27 thousand students. However, there has been no compulsory program set to spread appropriate awareness to the student body. As according to the World Health Organisation, issues such as endometriosis take an average of 4 – 12 years to be diagnosed. This is due to an immense lack of education and care surrounding this topic. As TU Dublin continues to be one of the largest educational institutions in Ireland... it is imperative to conduct regular educational awareness programs which can help facilitate wider change in the medical system as people can informatively question medical practitioners who may not validate their medical worries.</p> <p>The Student Council Mandates:  The Executive, led by VP of Welfare and Equality, to conduct yearly campaigns/events which strive to bring information on reproductive/gynaecological matters regarding students. This should commence (under the discretion of the officer in charge) either in conjunction with the Sexual Health In The First Term campaign and/or any time after (or in conjunction with) the annual Sexual Health, Advice &amp; Guidance campaign in February 2027.</p>		
<p>14. Lobby Earlier Release of Supplemental Exam Results</p> <p>Student Council Notes:  Supplemental Exams are an important part of the Academic Calendar and allow students a second</p>	<p>05.02.2028</p>	<p>VP Academic Affairs</p>

chance to progress through to the next year of their degree. However, this year the release date was well into the new academic year leaving many students in classes they are unsure they have progressed into. This means many students were distressed, unmotivated and unsure of their position. It was seen to have taken a negative toll on their mental well-being. This was especially prevalent for Blanchardstown campus as supplemental results were released 2 weeks after the commencement of classes.

**Student council further notes:**

The reasoning for these delays were said to have been staffing issue and insurance issues. This motion calls for preventive measures for such issues to not happen for any following academic years.

**Student Council Recognises:**

The Supplemental results date directly correlates to the academic calendar structure and solving this issue will require restructuring of dates given. Student council also recognise the need for the Blanchardstown campus to adapt the same exam result system as city campuses, as this seems more effective than current.

**Student Council Believes:**

The academic calendar as it stands does not operate in a student friendly manner and the supplemental exams' release date for 2023 has proven this.

**Student Council Mandates:**

The VP for Academic Affairs lobby the university to review the academic calendar with emphasis on supplemental exam release dates and reinforce measures that prompt the university to enforce deadlines as per academic calendar. It is crucial to academic success that repeat results be released

<p>prior to the start of classes.</p> <p>Also, to ensure that repeat results be released BEFORE the commencement of classes by having the Blanchardstown campus to adopt the same supplemental results system as other campuses. All of this to be concluded before the end of school year 2023-2024. Progress shall be overseen by the student union's president and provide updates every council meeting.</p>		
<p>15. Access to Adobe Licenses</p> <p>Student Council Notes:          Adobe Creative Cloud is an essential software for many students across all campuses in completing coursework and projects, particularly in creative and technical disciplines. During COVID-19, TU Dublin introduced licenses for personal devices, provided free of charge to students. However, despite the high demand for the software, the software has been revoked from many students in the 2024-2025 Academic Year as the policy has not been reviewed in the more recent years.</p> <p>Student Council further Notes:          The current eligibility criteria for personal licenses are determined by faculties, focusing only on specific programmes deemed to have an educational need. However, this process does not account for other factors, such as students' financial circumstances, commute times, or learning type (such as HyFlex), leaving many students unable to access these resources they need to succeed. While Technology Services has confirmed that additional Adobe Creative Cloud installations can be made on on-campus computers upon request by heads of schools, there has been no university-wide initiative to ensure this is applied. This, combined with the limited communication about the availability and</p>	<p>20.02.2027</p>	<p>VP Academic Affairs &amp; CVPs</p>

<p>allocation of licenses, has created more challenges for students in need of the software.</p> <p>Student Council Mandates: The VP for Academic Affairs to lobby the university to review the eligibility criteria for personal licenses, and creating new criteria that includes but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial background</li> <li>• Commute times</li> <li>• Learning styles</li> </ul> <p>Student Council Further Mandates: Campus Vice Presidents to lobby the university to ensure Adobe Creative Cloud is installed on all feasible on-campus computers.</p>		
<p>16. Staffing Issues in the Exams Office</p> <p>Student Council Notes: The Exams Office is a critical front-facing service that plays a pivotal role in supporting students' academic progression. However, under-staffing issues have resulted in significant delays in, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Graduation dates;</li> <li>• Exam timetables and results;</li> <li>• Responses to student inquiries.</li> </ul> <p>These delays have caused considerable distress for students, negatively affecting their academic progression and mental well-being. For instance, some campuses experienced delays in supplemental exam results being released, leaving students uncertain about their progression status.</p> <p>Student Council Recognises: Timely communication of key academic milestones, such as exam results and timetables, is essential for student success. While structural changes to the academic calendar may also be necessary, addressing staffing issues within the</p>	12.12.2026	VP Academic Affairs

<p>Exams Office should be immediate priority. Operational consistency across campuses is needed. Some of the current delays may be mitigated by the implementation of Banner 9, which promises to streamline certain processes. However, staffing shortages remain a significant concern and cannot be fully resolved by this system alone.</p> <p>Student Council Mandates: The Vice President for Academic Affairs to lobby the university to prioritize increased staffing in the Exams Office to ensure it meets the key deadlines and provide prompt responses to student inquiries. The Vice President for Academic Affairs will provide updates on the progress at each council meeting, with the goal of achieving these outcomes by the end of 2025-2026 academic year.</p>		
<p>17. Transition to Pre-Christmas Examinations</p> <p>Student Council Notes: Many students experience significant stress due to examinations being scheduled after the Christmas break. This creates a prolonged period of anxiety during what is meant to be a rest period and negatively affects students' wellbeing and academic performance.</p> <p>Student Council Also Notes: A number of higher education institutions in Ireland have already transitioned to examination schedules that conclude before the Christmas break. TU Dublin has indicated that it is beginning to consider adjustments to the academic calendar in this direction.</p> <p>Student Council Believes: Students should be able to fully disconnect during the Christmas period without the pressure of upcoming examinations. A pre-Christmas</p>	26.03.2028	VP Academic Affairs & CVPs

<p>examination model would:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve student wellbeing,</li> <li>• Provide a clearer academic structure,</li> <li>• Align TU Dublin with best practices across the sector.</li> </ul> <p>Student Council Therefore Mandates: The Vice President for Academic Affairs, with support from the President, to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Lobby TU Dublin to implement a phased transition towards examinations taking place before the Christmas break.</li> <li>2. Seek a clear implementation timeline from the University.</li> <li>3. Advocate for full implementation of a pre-Christmas examination model by the 2027–2028 academic year.</li> <li>4. Provide regular updates to Student Council on progress.</li> </ol>		
<p>18. Student Registration System</p> <p>Student Council Notes: A new registration system was introduced for the 2025-2026 academic year. This system was difficult and caused unnecessary stress, especially for first-year students. Also, it was difficult to select subjects to complete registration.</p> <p>Student Council Notes with Concern: Students expressed difficulties paying fees. It is important to note that difficult registration will encourage students to consider and accept places in other universities.</p> <p>Student Council Mandates: SU President, Vice Presidents for Blanchardstown, City Campus, and Tallaght to communicate with TU Dublin to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Highlight current difficulties within the student</li> </ul>	26.03.2028	President & CVPs

<p>registration system</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve current student registration system and ensure that registration for the upcoming 2026-2027 academic year will run smoothly.</li> </ul> <p>Those tasks must be completed by the end of the current academic year (2025-2026).</p>		
<p>19. TU Dublin Student Body Open Access to Turnitin</p> <p>Student council notes: Student council recognises the student body's frustration with the lack of personal access to the plagiarism software approved by the university (Turnitin).</p> <p>Student Council Also Notes: Students have brought forward concerns and confusion about the expectation of their assignments being put through a software (Turnitin). They cannot access Turnitin prior to submission and can only see the result at the discretion of the lecturer, even though the Turnitin result affects the grading of assignments.</p> <p>Student Council Mandates: The council mandates the Vice President for Academic Affairs to liaise with the University and lobby for each registered student to have access to Turnitin through their student email address by end of academic year 2025/2026 at latest.</p>	05.02.2028	VP Academic Affairs
<p>20. Proposal to Extend the Opening Hours of TUD Blanchardstown Campus Library</p> <p>1. Overview of Current TUD Blanchardstown Campus Library Opening Hours and Related Issues The student council recognises that the library on TUD Blanchardstown Campus (TUDBC) closes at a significantly earlier time than other TUD campus libraries. It has been established that the library at TUDBC closes at 5pm Monday-Friday</p>	16.04.2028	President, VP Academic Affairs & CVPs

while other TUD campus libraries close at 9pm Monday-Thursday and 5pm on Fridays. It is also to be noted that the TUDBC library is closed on Saturdays. The Student Council acknowledges that the early closure of the library is problematic for students attending TUDBC. Those who finish classes after 5 pm have no evening access to the library. Students, particularly those commuting from outside Dublin, have no early access pre-9am. The proximity of TUDBC to other TUD campuses should also be noted, with minimum travel times of 1 hour by public transport to get to the nearest campus, Grangegorman. This type of commute is unrealistic for those students who already have considerable commutes to college, particularly from counties outside Dublin. According to the TUD Vision for library service provision, the university strives to create a service that is 'equitable and accessible to all'. However, in its current guise, the library service at TUDBC is not achieving this standard. A further point to note it that the TUDBC gym remains until 8pm Monday-Friday and the Aras-Gael building is open until 10 pm, with security being present on campus until this time. Therefore, there is a precedent and existing infrastructure already in place to support extended library opening hours.

## 2. Recommendations

Recommendations to address the issues related to library opening hours at TUDBC include:

- Feasibility studies such as online surveys with staff and students to gauge demand for longer library opening hours
- Investment in a student card scanner to allow for entry and exit to the library
- Presence of a security guard to allow for study-only library hours
- A pilot scheme operating trial periods of extended library hours to gauge demand

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of a graduate library programme employing students, as happens in other 3rd level Irish universities</li> <li>• Working towards identical, and therefore equitable, opening hours in all TUD Campuses by an agreed date, possibly September 2026.</li> </ul> <p>3. Mandates</p> <p>The Student Council recognises that this is an issue regarding University resources and allocation of staff issues and a resolution will have to be reached following due process. Therefore, it is imperative that any progress on these mandates is discussed in the relevant full-time officer reports at forthcoming Student Council meetings until the issue is resolved in a manner that is satisfactory for students studying at TUDBC. The Student Council suggests that the TUDBC Vice President, with the aid of the Student Union President, and other relevant full-time officers such as the VP for Academic Affairs, schedule meetings with relevant University staff, such as the Academic Council and relevant library staff, to discuss potential solutions and bring forward recommendations from the Student Council on potential short-term solutions to the staffing issue.</p>		
<p>21. Blanchardstown Transport</p> <p>Student Council Notes:  While public and private bus services are available in the broader Blanchardstown area, students face difficulties commuting to the TU Dublin Blanchardstown campus due to inadequate connectivity between the Blanchardstown campus and the public transport routes serving key student catchment areas. The results of the 2022 TU Dublin Smarter Travel Staff and Student Survey, published in May 2023, highlight that 68% of students use public transport to travel to the Blanchardstown campus. Statistics show that 6% of students travel distances of less than 3km, 30%</p>	05.02.2028	VP Blanchardstown

travel distances of between 3km and 10km, 36% of students travel distances ranging between 10 – 30km, and 28% travel distances greater than 30km. This illustrates the large number of students who require the regular use of public transport.

Student Council Also Notes: The combination of escalating inflation, the ongoing housing crisis, and the lack of on-campus accommodation has forced numerous students to travel extensive distances to reach campus. Some students are required to take up to three buses each way in their pursuit of education. This has created a two-tiered system in TU Dublin, between those who can afford private rented accommodation nearby, versus those who spend hours commuting daily, and are removed from the so-called ‘college experience’.

Student Council believes:

Students and Staff at TU Dublin require reliable public transport to the Blanchardstown Campus. Accessibility to the Blanchardstown campus is a right for students and staff. Furthermore, it would assist TU Dublin in achieving its Sustainability Goals, and improve the overall student satisfaction rate (recorded most recently in ISSE).

Student Council Therefore Mandates:

The Campus VP for Blanchardstown to lobby the NTA, BusConnects and the Irish Government to increase bus service reliability, including more frequent and transparent updates on bus schedules and routes (38, 38a, 139, N4), to expedite the ‘BusConnects’ Network Redesign for 2025, and to redesign the bus routes so that at least one bus enters the actual campus.

Student Council further Mandates:

The Campus VP for Blanchardstown to lobby TU Dublin for an improved shuttle bus service (in the interim) alongside reduced pricing for students (currently more expensive than TFI Buses).

Student Council further Mandates:

The Campus VP for Blanchardstown to email all current councillors & relevant TD’s in the area

regarding the above demands, and for the President to lobby the VP for Sustainability in TU Dublin to create a joined media campaign, and all other actions deemed necessary.		
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<b>Student Council Policy</b>	<b>Falling</b>	<b>Mandated</b>
<p data-bbox="204 237 520 271">1. Black History Month</p> <p data-bbox="204 315 978 734">There is a significant lack of participation within student politics for black students. There are currently less than 10 full-time Officers across the island of Ireland who are people of colour, and the Union believes representation matters when it comes to participation. Black History Month began as a way of remembering important people and events in the history of the African and Caribbean diaspora, and is now globally celebrating Black excellence, the importance of remembering, uplifting, and empowering an entire group of young activists.</p> <p data-bbox="204 779 970 1010">The celebration of black excellence, black history, and empowering people of colour should not be limited to tokenistic representation or events, and that events ran under Black History Month should be led by Black voices, with the goal of staying true to the ideals and goals of Black History Month.</p> <p data-bbox="204 1055 975 1706">TU Dublin SU Executive (or the appropriate officer) is therefore mandated to run an extensive Black History Month campaign which will include speakers, events, data, and showcase Black excellence throughout the month of October and/or February, and for this campaign to be conducted annually. TU Dublin Students' Union Executive is further mandates to include the voices of Black students when organizing and brainstorming the event to ensure that students are at the forefront of leading this campaign; intersectionality must therefore form a key focus throughout. Black History Month, finally, must not be the only time of the year that Black voices are platformed, and that the work on decolonising the curriculum, inclusion of Traveller and Roma students in education and community outreach, must continue to be done throughout the year.</p>	<p data-bbox="1002 237 1163 271">16.11.2026</p>	<p data-bbox="1185 237 1385 271">The Executive</p>
<p data-bbox="204 1715 762 1749">2. Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions (BDS)</p> <p data-bbox="204 1794 970 2018">Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions (BDS) is an inclusive, non-violent, Palestinian-led movement; it is inspired by the South African anti-apartheid movement. BDS works to end international support for Israel's oppression of Palestinians, as well as pressure Israel to comply with international law. The movement is notably anti-racist,</p>	<p data-bbox="1002 1715 1163 1749">16.11.2026</p>	<p data-bbox="1185 1715 1385 1749">The Executive</p>

<p>and is inherently opposed to all forms of discrimination (including antisemitism and Islamophobia).</p> <p><b>Why the Movement Exists:</b>  Israel maintains a brutal regime against Palestinian people, made possible due to ongoing international support; Governments fail to hold Israel to account, while corporations and institutions across the world help Israel to oppress Palestinians. Due to the failure of those in power to take non-violent action against Israel, the movement has called for a global citizens' response of solidarity in the form of Boycotts, Divestment, and Sanctions.</p> <p><b>Boycott:</b>  Boycotts involve withdrawing support from Israel's apartheid regime, complicit Israeli sporting, cultural and academic institutions, and from all Israeli and international companies engaged in violations of Palestinian human rights.</p> <p><b>Divestment:</b>  Divestment campaigns urge banks, local councils, churches, pension funds and universities to withdraw investments from the State of Israel and all Israeli and international companies that sustain Israeli apartheid.</p> <p><b>Sanctions:</b>  Sanctions campaigns pressure governments to fulfil their legal obligations to end Israeli apartheid, and not aid or assist its maintenance, by banning business with illegal Israeli settlements, ending military trade and free-trade agreements, as well as suspending Israel's membership in international forums such as UN bodies and FIFA.</p> <p><b>Mandates:</b>  TU Dublin Students' Union commits to both supporting and endorsing the Global BDS Movement wherever possible.</p>		
<p>3. Gym Services in TU Dublin</p> <p>With the opening of the new Sports Building in Tallaght campus, there are now gym facilities on three major TU Dublin sites (Blanchardstown, Grangegorman, Tallaght). Prior to the building opening, the University (specifically Head of Sports) met with the Students'</p>	<p>13.02.2027</p>	<p>The Executive</p>

Union (specifically President) to agree on a ‘university-wide’ membership process. The agreement (confirmed via writing) specified that all students, on all campuses, would have access to ‘free gym hours’, each day (Monday-Friday) during non-peak times. Since then, there were reports that the ‘free gym slots’ were restricted only to Monday and Thursday; this was confirmed across all three sites in November. Also, a fee was introduced to use the sports halls in the Blanchardstown and Tallaght campuses.

Work Done by the Union in Semester Two 23/24: Recent meetings with the Head of Sports were very positive, and they have since committed to meeting our requests (i.e. free gym slots daily, Monday-Friday). However, it is important for the Union to have a permanent stance and to consistently maintain these services, due to the dynamic nature of TU Dublin since its inception.

Current Stance of the Union: Students are already suffering from the cost-of-living crisis in several ways. This includes the rising price of canteen food across all sites, the ongoing cost of supplemental exams, the potential increases in Postgraduate fees, the current lack of commitment by TU Dublin to increase PhD stipends, and unpaid placements. The lack of free access to gym facilities only serves to worsen the student experience further and lessen overall student satisfaction with TU Dublin, which according to respondents in ISSE 2022, was 10% worse compared to traditional Universities.

The Campus Vice Presidents, with oversight by the President, must therefore: 1) Continuously lobby the University for ‘free gym hours’ on each weekday (Monday-Friday) on any given campus with gym facilities. 2) Continuously lobby the University to remove the fee required for students to use the sports hall in Blanchardstown and Tallaght campus. The Campus Vice Presidents must also present updates to Student Council whenever gym hours are reduced/rescinded by the University, as well as a clear action plan on how they intend to revert such decisions.

4. Holistic Support of Transgender Students in TU Dublin

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<p>There are a number of surveys that have been carried out over the past decade on the topic of Trans Mental Health and Wellbeing. These include the ‘UK Trans Mental Health Study 2012’ (the largest survey of its kind in Europe at the time), ‘Speaking from the Margins’ (the largest study of its kind in Ireland at the time), and the ‘LGBT Ireland Report’ (where over 278 of its respondents identified as transgender). Statistics from these surveys all broadly follow the same pattern; those who identify as transgender are at a significantly higher risk for self-harm (x2), severe depression and anxiety (x4), and suicide (x3) compared to the general population.</p> <p>Summary: These actions must be championed by the VP for Welfare &amp; Equality, with oversight by the President, and questioned regularly at Council by the Part-Time Officer for LGBTQ+ Rights.</p>		
<p>5. Stance on ‘Confession Pages’</p> <p>Anonymous ‘Confession Pages’ are online platforms or spaces where individuals can share their thoughts, feelings, secrets, or experiences without revealing their identity. These pages typically allow for people to submit content anonymously and are subsequently posted onto the platform for anyone to read. Confessions pages are becoming increasingly popular amongst university communities, with Instagram being the platform of choice for Irish HEI’s (Higher Education Institutions). TU Dublin has seen multiple iterations in the last 3-4 years. They are often popularised by fellow students who share what they perceive to be ‘interesting’ content; this inherently creates a space where ‘shock value’ confessions are preferred.</p> <p>Major Concerns: These pages typically begin with relative ‘innocence’ but quickly become vectors for racism, xenophobia, classism, sexism, harassment, and bullying. There have already been several iterations of ‘TU Dublin’ related pages because previous versions have been shut down for ‘confessions’ that were deemed highly offensive to a significant number of people. These pages are often used to target specific people (using names, job titles, and other clearly defining criteria), can be easily used to spread false information (given there is no way to verify</p>	13.02.2027	The Executive

<p>the accuracy of the information shared), can have a negative impact on an individual’s mental health, and reinforces a lack of accountability amongst students.</p> <p>Stance of TU Dublin SU:  These pages will continue to operate, and future iterations will likely flourish on different and new platforms. While the Union cannot ‘prevent’ this, it can at least mandate its representatives to not platform or engage with them, given the innumerable complaints received by the Union from students about such pages over the past few years. Full- and Part-Time Officers therefore will not platform (i.e. post, share, follow, or otherwise promote) any ‘Confessions Pages’ associated in any way with TU Dublin or TU Dublin SU. Full- and Part-Time Officers will also discourage other Union representatives (i.e. Student Councillors, Class Representatives, etc) from platforming these pages, given their tendency towards far-right rhetoric, extremism, racism, sexism, classism and xenophobia.</p>		
<p>6. Drug Harm Reduction</p> <p>As Article 2 of the TU Dublin SU Constitution outlines, we act in the best interests of our members, and per Article 3 (v), we work to ‘promote the welfare and wellbeing of members’. The European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction states the following: “The increasing integration of the markets for new psychoactive substances and illicit drugs is creating new public health challenges... As poisoning events can evolve rapidly, understanding what constitutes the delivery of effective risk communication has become more important.”</p> <p>The ‘National Drugs Strategy Reducing harm, supporting recovery: a health-led approach to drug and alcohol use in Ireland 2017—2025’ is an An Garda Síochána strategy supporting a health-led approach to harm reduction instead of a criminal justice approach. One of the critical aspects of this strategy is adopting a humane and compassionate approach to drug use, which frames addiction and substance abuse as a public health concern rather than a criminal issue. Drug harm reduction aims to reduce the harm associated with the use of drugs, focusing on education and awareness rather than abstinence.</p>	12.12.2027	The Executive

<p>The Union recognises that certain drugs are illegal and are to be avoided on that basis but believes that harm reduction is a crucial element of promoting the wellbeing of all young people; the criminalisation of these substances discourages individuals from seeking support or advice and only further stigmatises those experiencing addiction and its consequences — this is why promoting harm reduction is essential. The Students’ Union shall promote and uphold the safety of students by providing accurate and relevant drug harm reduction information. The Union is concerned solely with the wellbeing of its members and, therefore, shall not assert any position on drug use beyond communicating current public health guidance and encouraging students to make informed, healthy, and safe choices.</p> <p>TU Dublin Students’ Union shall endeavour to educate and inform students about the risks associated with drug use. It will also advocate for the availability of adequate, appropriate, and compassionate support to those affected by drugs and drug use.</p>		
<p>7. Public Accessibility of Student Council Meetings</p> <p>Article 6.4.3 of the TU Dublin Students’ Union constitution provides that meetings of the Student Council shall be ‘open to all current members of the Union’; this article also states that non-councillors, with the approval of a majority of the Student Council, may speak at these meetings.</p> <p>Article 2 of the TU Dublin Students’ states: “The Values of the Union are that it will be student-led, democratic, inclusive, transparent, accountable, ethical, respectful, empowering, and professional”.</p> <p>The Student Council serves to represent members of the Union, and this requires complete transparency in its decisions, discussions, and how it exercises its power. In order to uphold the values of the Union it is crucial that all students are given the opportunity to observe meetings of the Council, should they wish to do so, as is their right. Ensuring these meetings are accessible to all members of the Union is a crucial step to ensuring total transparency in line with the provisions of the SU Constitution; all members of the Union should be afforded the opportunity to observe</p>	12.12.2027	The Executive

<p>the Student Council performing its core functions — holding Officers of the Union to account and acting as the voice of the student body. The Union shall strive to increase the accessibility of Student Council meetings, to uphold the values provided by the SU Constitution.</p>		
<p>8. Use of Generative AI to Produce Union Promotional Material</p> <p>The use of generative AI has many consequences; according to the MIT Technology Review, generating an image using such technology uses as much energy as fully charging a smartphone.</p> <p>Generative AI has also been criticised for relying on the intellectual property of artists which has been used to train the models without their permission. Using AI to create Union promotional material purports support for the theft of artists’ work and negatively impacts the environment by increasing carbon emissions.</p> <p>TU Dublin SU will not use generative AI to produce any promotional material (social media posts, posters, captions, etc.) and openly supports the protection of artists’ intellectual property rights against AI appropriation.</p>	20.02.2028	The Executive
<p>9. TU Borrowing Framework</p> <p>The TU Borrowing Framework is a suggested structure which would enable Technological Universities (TUs) to borrow funds for capital development in a manner similar to that of legacy institutions. This is a fundamental part that would help further the development of the University. If implemented, this framework could lead to the establishment of a student centre, student accommodation, or even more. According to the Universities Act, traditional universities have been able to borrow since 1997. Since the approval of the Technological Universities Act in 2018, there is still no concrete place of action to allow TUs to borrow. TU Dublin Students’ Union commits to promoting the implementation of the TU Borrowing Framework wherever possible.</p>	05.02.2028	The Executive
<p>10. Policy on Timetable</p> <p>TU Dublin's exam period is only one of the few institutions to have first semester exams after the winter break. During a 2024 survey that asked students</p>	05.02.2029	President and CVP

<p>regarding exam timetable, an overwhelming majority of students (72%) expressed their preference with having them before the winter break. Additionally, TU Dublin Student Life, which includes Sports, have highlighted concerns relating to this schedule as most intervarsity matches are held after the winter break. Due to this, many student athletes face the struggle of having to choose between performing well in their exam and participating in important matches that bring pride to the university. Despite this clear indication from students and Student Life, the rest of TU Dublin has still yet to consider the student voice as they continue to proceed with exams after Christmas for 2026/2027. TU Dublin Students' Union believes in advocating for student voice which indicate a clear preference to having the first semester exam before the winter break.</p>		
<p>11. Support to the Traveller and Roma Community</p> <p>TU Dublin is one of Ireland's largest third-level bodies that encompass over 30,000 students across its three campus locations. With that title and breadth of influence, comes a large responsibility to the communities within the University and the surroundings.</p> <p>The progress review for the National Access Plan for Equity of Access to Higher Education states that there is a need to improve participation rates among the Irish Traveller Community. This encompasses the Roma community also. It is important to draw note to the fact that the Traveller &amp; Roma community is classed as an ethnic minority in Ireland and experience racism daily, and as a community, we cannot let our friends and colleagues go through this without it being challenged and corrected. This policy would enshrine the belief that every student is an integral part of our wider community and should be supported regardless of who they are, where they come from or their background.</p> <p>This policy will aim to tackle that by ensuring that TU Dublin Students' Union actively includes the Traveller and Roma representations in the appropriate campaigns, and as a further step, that TU Dublin Students' Union works with TU Dublin and relevant partners to ensure that the University becomes much more accessible for students from the Traveller and Roma communities, in partnership with working with</p>	<p>16.04.2027</p>	<p>VP Welfare &amp; Equality</p>

<p>the University to ensure the wider community knows that TU Dublin.</p> <p>The works should further in the respect that the Students' Union should lobby for the implementation of impactful and meaningful of different tools, status kits and more (such as iReport, Yellow Flag, STATUS Tool Kit, Guaranteed Scholarships and more) to ensure there is a real change in culture towards the Travelling and Roma community. The essence of this policy ensures that TU Dublin Students' Union recognizes and understands the need for attention to be drawn to the difficulties faced by the Traveller and Roma communities and that the Students' Union should do everything possible where appropriate to ensure their experience in third-level education goes unhindered, and their access (and progression) to (and throughout) education is free from stigma, hatred, bigotry or unnecessary barriers.</p>		
<p>12. Academic Affairs</p> <p>In line with the role description of the Vice President for Academic Affairs this policy further expands on the Academic Affairs remit in TU Dublin Students' Union.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Representation &amp; Advocacy: Lobbying for students on issues related to their education in TU Dublin and ensuring that the student voice is heard in all University academic decision-making structures, policy areas and processes.</li> <li>• Class Representative Oversight: Coordinating the development and promotion of Class Rep elections on all campuses to increase active participation and engagement in the Class Rep system. Ensuring sufficient training and other events for Class Reps to improve their ability to advocate for student groups and improve the academic experience at TU Dublin.</li> <li>• Monitoring Academic Affairs Casework: Work with the Student Advice &amp; Advocacy Service to identify key trends in Academic Affairs related casework and work to address them within the University.</li> <li>• Event &amp; Campaign Planning: Organising and delivering information and awareness events and campaigns including but not limited to information on students' rights and university regulations, feedback opportunities, and other areas in line with their agreed political platform.</li> </ul>	12.12.2026	VP Academic Affairs

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Policy Development:</b> Developing and implementing Union policy positions on academic matters for consideration and approval of Student Council and reporting on this work to Council.</li> <li>• <b>Meeting Preparation:</b> preparing representatives for meetings in all forms from Class Rep Meetings to University Meetings – agreeing agendas, positions, speakers and any other relevant information ahead of time to ensure the best use of our seat at the table.</li> </ul> <p>This policy repeals the previous ‘Education’ Policy.</p>		
<p>13. Student Survey</p> <p>StudentSurvey.ie (formerly known as ISSE, the Irish Survey of Student Engagement) is a collaborative partnership between the HEA (Higher Education Authority), IUA (Irish Universities Association), THEA (Technological Higher Education Association), and USI (Union of Students in Ireland).</p> <p>Since its inception in 2013, its main purpose (according to THEA) was to help each institution and its students by collating feedback and developing appropriate follow-up actions; objectives included improving transparency in relation to the student experience, enabling direct student input, and helping institutions identify areas requiring further development.</p> <p>Stance taken by TU Dublin SU:  TU Dublin SU accepts the value that a well-run, relevant, nationwide survey could have for its students. For this reason, the Union will seek to work with StudentSurvey.ie in order to ensure that all of the complaints listed previously (including but not limited to: survey length, questions themselves, length of time taken for results, lack of resulting action plans) are amended before the next iteration of Student Survey. The Union will also seek to work with StudentSurvey.ie to reimagine the survey in its entirety.</p> <p>However, prior to the next rollout (expected in the academic year 25/26), should StudentSurvey.ie not be deemed ‘fit-for-purpose’, TU Dublin SU will then seek to boycott it. This decision will be based on the recommendation of the Executive (championed by the VP for Academic Affairs), which will ultimately be voted on by Student Council.</p>	13.02.2027	VP Academic Affairs

<p>14. TU Dublin SU RAG Charity</p> <p>TU Dublin Students' Union recognises the benefits of raising money for charity, both in terms of fundraising for worthy causes and in raising the profile of the Students' Union and the services it provides. RAG stands for Raising and Giving.</p> <p>In order to further raise the profile of this concept, the TU Dublin Students' Union Student Council shall vote on and determine one charity, by the last Council meeting of the academic year to be the official charity for the following year. A percentage contribution of all profitable events run by the TU Dublin Students' Union throughout the year, shall be set aside and added to the proceeds generated from the designated RAG charity events.</p> <p>This policy should be advertised to all students in the lead up to the election of the charity. Nominations for the RAG Charity shall open during the second semester. Two registered students shall be required to nominate a charity. Following the close of nominations, the charity nominated shall be contacted and required to submit a proposal detailing who they are, what they do and how any money raised for them will benefit the charity.</p> <p>Student Councillors will be given the opportunity to review the proposals and decide on which charity they would like to support. The charity who receives the greatest support, from Student Council will become the chosen charity for the following academic year and will be announced at the Student Recognition Ceremony. The Student Council will only select ONE chosen charity, to which all RAG proceeds for the following academic year will be donated.</p> <p>A presentation of the funds raised for the designated RAG charity by the Union shall be made at the Recognition Ceremony held at the end of the academic year, on the total funds raised throughout the year. The chosen charity to receive RAG funds may not be nominated as a RAG charity for the following two years.</p> <p>The Union shall not offer financial support to any charity other than the official RAG charities in any given</p>	<p>05.02.2029</p>	<p>VP Events &amp; Engagement</p>
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year but shall advise any other charity seeking financial support as to how they may receive a nomination as the official RAG Charity for future years, by way of a standard reply from the Clerk to Student Council. Thus, where a charity wishes to promote itself on campus, it may be allowed where it is deemed by the President not to interfere with the official RAG Charity, and where it is not a burden on the Union.