

Policy name: **Commemorating the Victims and Survivors**

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STUDENT COUNCIL NOTES:

This Council recognises the unspeakable horrors of the Holocaust, subsequent genocides and the serious consequences of totalitarianism, xenophobia, racial hatred and dehumanisation.

This Council further recognises that, throughout the course of the year there are days and dates of importance to a diverse array of students from many backgrounds, including but not limited to the annual Holocaust Memorial Day, which falls on the 27th January.

STUDENT COUNCIL BELIEVES:

This Council believes that commemorating the victims of the Holocaust, subsequent genocides, racial hatred and totalitarianism, and working to promote education and public awareness of these crimes against humanity, is building a more accepting, diverse and sustainable future inclusive of people from all backgrounds, faiths, colours and creeds.

STUDENT COUNCIL RESOLVES:

This Council resolves that Student Officers within UUSU should work with the University, students and external organisations, such as the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust, Ann Frank Trust and Holocaust Educational Trust, to organise commemorative events. These events would be for students, members of the public and all interested attendees to commemorate Holocaust Memorial Day (27th of January annually) and Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day (24th April annually).

This Council further resolves that international Holocaust Memorial Day (27th January annually) and Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day (24th April annually) be added to the official calendar of the Students' Union and that for occasions such as centenaries is marked appropriately to emphasise the date's importance.

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