

1. STANCE TITLE: TIMETABLE CERTAINTY

Ulster University Students' Union believes that all students are entitled to clear, reliable, and timely information about their academic schedules in order to fully participate in university life.

We recognise that students lead increasingly complex lives. Many balance their studies alongside part-time or full-time employment, caring responsibilities, commuting, and other personal commitments. Uncertainty or late changes to teaching timetables can have a significant negative impact on students' ability to manage these responsibilities, affecting both their academic success and overall wellbeing.

As a Students' Union, we affirm that predictable and accessible timetabling is a fundamental component of an inclusive and student-centred learning experience. Students should not be placed at a disadvantage due to avoidable delays or uncertainty in the provision of essential academic information.

We therefore believe that students should receive the final version of their teaching timetable no later than two working weeks prior to the commencement of Week One.

What we stand for:

- Timely and reliable communication of teaching schedules.
- Consideration of students' work, caring, and personal commitments in timetable planning.
- Minimising last-minute changes wherever possible.
- A student experience that enables effective planning, stability, and balance.
- This stance reflects our commitment to advocating for a more supportive and realistic academic environment, where students are empowered to succeed both within and beyond their studies.

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