

Policy name: free education

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*This Council believes:*

*The higher education sector in Northern Ireland is unsustainably underfunded in comparison to the rest of the UK. We are currently experiencing cuts at Ulster University and these are unlikely to be reversed in the near future.*

*This Council further believes:*

*Education serves a public good and should be free at the point of access to all, regardless of their background, with the ability and willingness to learn. To solve the current crisis which the University is facing a sustainable funding model must be found.*

*This Council resolves that:*

*To mandate Student Executive to lobby the Stormont Executive and to lobby the university, to adopt a stance advocating, for free higher education.*

*Name of Proposer: Colum Mackey, President*

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