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Date of Meeting	7 th December 2020																																									
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Who have you consulted when developing the paper?	Unknown																																									

Staff/Student Protocol	Yes		No	X	N/A	
Will any decision approved directly affect the work of staff?						
Should the paper be submitted to any other committee following its consideration/approval at this meeting?	The Ideas will be presented to the meeting of the Trustee Board for consideration if passed.					
If yes, please state the committee and proposed date of submission.	Ideas are available on the Students' Association website at www.GCUstudents.co.uk/ideas .					



Merchandise

by [Anonymous](#) 21 September 2020, 22:54

Category: Glasgow Caledonian University

Voting closed

myself and a few friends think it would be a great idea to have a wider variety of merchandise available, eg sweatshirts, t-shirts, shorts and joggers. we also think it would be great to have options with both the new logo and the coat of arms logo. thanks for your consideration.



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GCU Must Seek SA Advance Input On All Future Emails / Other Comms To Students

by [James Vincent Luke Waters](#) 30 August 2020, 17:51

Category: Glasgow Caledonian University

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Over the summer, too many email have come from the university corporately which have caused spasms of confusion, worry and doubt among students. Talking about a "return to campus" in a headline is atrocious communicating when in the full explanation you go on to say that all lectures will be online and only a few activities for a small number of courses will be on campus. Students need plain language emails with the key messages up front, they shouldn't be made to struggle to figure out simple news. The priority for communication should be clarity and understanding, not appearance.

This idea proposes two policies:

that the university corporately send no further emails to the student body before sharing them with the Student President

that all departments do likewise with the appointed student Department Rep for their department

...so that they may offer advice on clarity and succinctness of message in the content of the email (or other communication method) before they are sent to students.



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Climate Change Training - mandatory

by [Martha Paulina Bytof](#) 06 March 2020, 18:18

Category: Learning and Teaching

Voting closed



A compulsory Climate Change Training for all students and staff that would be accredited, starting the next new term (Tri A, 2020/21)

This would include a training on Carbon Literacy and sustainability.



Access to parking

by [Gillian Poynts](#) 09 January 2020, 10:46

Category: Wellbeing

Voting closed

As a full time carer, at times, my husband has flare ups due to his condition, this can result in lengthy hospital stays 60 miles away from our home, we have a disabled badge and yet i am unable to access this at the university. I missed almost 3 weeks of trimester A due to him being hospitalised as i simply could not afford to park in town - as well as park at the hopsital! Yes, £2 per hour to be exact!

Surely there can be some contingency built in for carers when these flare ups happen - I am not looking for preferential treatment but a little latitude would have gone a very long way and kept some sort of normality in a very trying situation!





Request University to track student suicides

by [Gabriele Janusonyte](#) 26 November 2019, 23:57

Category: Wellbeing

Voting closed

According to 2019 statistics (theferret.scot) only ONE Scottish University records student deaths by suicide (and only as of 2016) - University of Stirling. Keeping a record of suicides can help improve mental health services by showing how they are truly lacking, and also help by removing mental health stigma associated with suicide. This is supported by the Scottish Association for Mental Health, which says that by reviewing suicide deaths it can aid in developing better suicide prevention. It can also help universities see patterns and respond effectively. University of Stirling has already done so - information about the increase in suicide deaths (3 in 2018/2019, compared to 0 in the previous academic year) has allowed both students and staff to petition the university for more mental health advisers, which the university has recruited. This info was obtained through the Freedom of Information request. In the UK, an All Party Parliamentary Group on Students found that roughly 33% of students have had suicidal thoughts over the last year. Suicide should not be surrounded by silence. Universities should step up and do their part.



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COMMENTS



[Karen Bardett](#) wrote, 09-12-2019 - 18:23

[Hide Comment](#)

Absolutely should be recorded - everywhere

[Report Abuse](#)



Microwave on campus

by [Tara Lea Carroll](#) 11 November 2019, 13:50

Category: Catering

Voting closed

Really wish there was a microwave on campus for students to use. Would find this great for lunches, I know other unis like Strath have one. So annoying eating cold food all the time!



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A daily mile walk

by [Gillian Poynts](#) 09 January 2020, 10:40

Category: Wellbeing

Days 059 : Hours 06 : Minutes 56
REMAINING

To encourage health and mental well being - can we map out a mile walk around our Glasgow Campus? it would also be a good way for students to meet other students from other schools as we dont seem too good at interacting at times!!



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Move lockers to library

by [Jamie Russell Smith](#) 25 November 2019, 11:21

Category: Glasgow Caledonian University

Days: 059 Hours: 21 Minutes: 15
REMAINING

Move all lockers to library so they can be accessed by students who spend their weekends studying in the library



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Change Care-Experienced Policy lead remit to include estranged students.

by [Deleted User](#) 09 December 2019, 19:38

Category: Representation

Days: 059 Hours: 21 Minutes: 25
REMAINING

In previous discussions with the care-experienced officer, it is my understanding that these two representation areas can often go hand-in-hand and it would mean that the students who identify as estranged can also be represented. Following a meeting with the corporate parent steering group, it is my understanding that we do have estranged students at GCU - even though it may be a small cohort, it means they can be included in our representation structure at GCU Students Association. :)



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Basic first-aid kits and medications

by [Ei Kay Khine](#) 27 November 2019, 21:13

Category: Wellbeing

Days: 059 Hours: 07 Minutes: 06
REMAINING

It would be a good idea to have an easily accessible basic first-aid kits and medications on campus and student accommodation.



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Cheaper foods or make it worth.

by [Anish George Thomas](#) 02 March 2020, 13:10

Category: [Catering](#)

Days: 034 : Hours: 06 : Minutes: 20

REMAINING

Prices in the canteen are ridiculously high. Would suggest better food for the price or bring down the prices. Quick groceries for students like bread milk fruits. Helps those who make there own meals. Sometimes the couple of meals are like those that have chicken are undercooked.



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