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	<p><i>Any member can ask a question by raising their voting card and being recognised by the Chair to speak.</i></p> <p>Student Voice is asked to discuss and decide whether to approve Ideas.</p>																	
Who have you consulted when developing the paper?	Unknown																	
Staff/Student Protocol	Yes		No		N/A													
Will any decision approved directly	Unknown																	

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 .



More Plugs That Work :)

by [Anonymous](#) 20 February 2023, 16:27

Category: Glasgow Caledonian University

Days: 1 2 3 : Hours: 1 1 : Minutes: 5 1
REMAINING

In the library and classes, mainly the Annie Lennox building, there's lots of plugs with only a few working.

In the library I usually sit near a plug, I have to charge it up to two times a day, if I'm in 9-5. Most plugs work in the table area beside the Archive Centre, but most floor/wall plugs elsewhere don't. There are some plugs available, but the majority of plugs beside or on tables don't work. I leave my laptop plugged in away from my table or with others so I have it.

I've also noticed, on the 2nd/3rd/4th floor of the library there are plugs in the middle of tables that don't even work.

In the Annie Lennox building, there were lots of plugs in seminar rooms, approx 10-20 plugs, with only 2 working, one at the back of the class, the other at the door. I know some places have a very small amount of plugs, it would be good if the ones available actually worked.

Don't know if anyone else has had this issue. I know that people in my classes have, leading to their computers running out of charge half way through a 2 hour lecture. :)



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Divergent study spaces

by [Robert Gallacher](#) 31 October 2022, 20:21

Category: Learning and Teaching

Days 093 : Hours 11 : Minutes 40
REMAINING

We are all different and that's what makes us unique.

We look different, sound different and think differently from each other due to our past experiences and environment.

So why are our study spaces all the same?

Some people (me 🙌) like to lie on the floor to study, some people sit cross legged others love bean bags or a couch.

We have 5 levels of library space and every space is based around levels of silence or group study rather than personal comfortable study style.

I would like to see a space for people to study with different seating arrangements spaces for throwing the books on the floor or chilling on a bean bag with your books.

A space where people can go and feel comfortable studying the way they want to study.



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CHARLIE GRIBBEN wrote, 02-11-2022 - 16:34

If you want to throw your books on the floor, go home and do it! There are plenty of comfortable spaces on campus for lying around. I don't want to navigate people lying on the floor when I visit the library.



Robert Gallacher wrote, 03-11-2022 - 23:36

Thank's for your feedback Charlie, Much appreciated.



Aspen Milledge wrote, 15-11-2022 - 17:04

The social learning space in Level 0 of the library might be of interest for you!



Aspen Milledge wrote, 15-11-2022 - 17:04

Of the Student's Association, NOT library! Sorry.



HANNAH ALDOSERI wrote, 15-02-2023 - 16:28

No i completely agree, i don't think we need 4 floors with silent study space, it's not necessary in my opinion. less would be better and replaced with your idea.



VINCENT WATERS wrote, 25-02-2023 - 14:47

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Rebecca Hughes wrote, 03-03-2023 - 12:12

I would like a place where I could take off my shoes and curl up or lie on my stomach to work.



Attendance

by [Gordon Edwards](#) 05 February 2023, 15:40

Category: Learning and Teaching

Days Hours Minutes
093:11:50
REMAINING

I want to raise an idea/petition around attendance systems at GCU. At the moment, a student can record their attendance by swiping their identity card on the card scanning systems within the classroom. This is really good, however the system has its flaws. If a student forgets their identity card, they will then be unable to record their attendance and will be marked absent, despite being in class. Lecturers do not have the ability/capacity to access the systems and record the students attendance as the only way to do this is by swiping a students identity card on the card-scanning system.

I want to raise an idea/petition that GCU reviews this system and finds a way of allowing lecturers to be able to access the attendance register system so they can record a students attendance if they have indeed attended the lesson but have forgotten their identity card so GCU has accurate systems and are not penalised. An example of being penalised involves a student being sent an attendance reminder/warning which then involves that student contacting their lecturer to advise they have received such a reminder/warning and then the lecturer needs to take time to respond to the e-mail advising them not to be concerned. This then adds pressure to the lecturers workload along with distress to the student and the system is currently flawed and the system needs to be reviewed to ensure GCU attendance registers remain accurate, to prevent distress to the student and to give lecturers more powers to be able to record students attendance retrospectively or in class through their computer.



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Sale of ENERGY DRINKS on Campus

by [CHIDOZIE NWAIGWE](#) 16 January 2023, 02:28

Category: Catering

Days Hours Minutes
124:11:48
REMAINING

We understand that energy drinks contain caffeine but so does coffee. A lot of students read better when they have a can of an energy drink on the side. Not being able to buy it in school sort of disenfranchises those who want these drinks. If they are made available in the vending machines, it will be a great way to start 2023!



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Implement CCTV cameras on all floors in the library

by [Anonymous](#) 29 November 2022, 12:14

Category: Glasgow Caledonian University

Days 093: Hours 11: Minutes 45
REMAINING

I have been advised by security that there are significant blind spots in the library, specifically on the second, third and fourth floor of the Sir Alex Ferguson library. This is a particular issue given there is no secure entry in the library, meaning any member of the public can enter. In the interest of student safety in the library, there should be more CCTV to act as a deterrent and to allow the university to identify people if incidents do occur on campus.



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Self Catering Facilities

by [TAYLOR MCMAHON](#) 09 December 2022, 15:04

Category: Catering

Days 093: Hours 11: Minutes 43
REMAINING

Can we please get a kettle and microwave in the library like all the other units do. in the cost of living crisis its more important to recieve a hot meal. trying to make lunches that you can comfortably eat at uni is slo annoying and is a barrier to students leaving the house to cfome to campus



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STEPH KERR wrote, 07-02-2023 - 15:52

Completely agree!



SYLWIA WATROBA wrote, 15-02-2023 - 12:23

It would be great if there were also microwaves or fridges to keep food in over longer uni days.



TAYLOR MCMAHON wrote, 28-02-2023 - 16:55

There is even a whole Cafe area in the govan milbeki building that dosnt seem to be of any use to students at the moment



Main restaurant dining spaces

by [PETER SCHEIBENHOFFER](#) 03 November 2022, 07:38

Category: Catering

Days Hours Minutes
093:11:37
REMAINING

Many students use the dining halls for studying or socializing, which is fine, but unfortunately, there is not enough space, or hard to find to eat at peak times. Is it possible to improve this issue, like making students aware of the problem or expanding the area suitable for eating?



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Evening Events at Re:union

by [Gemma Kerr](#) 06 October 2022, 17:36

Category: Social Activities

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I know I would be up for helping to organise.

Though, themed evenings at the Re:union like: quiz nights, karaoke, bingo, etc...



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Aspen Milledge wrote, 03-12-2022 - 23:40

A lot of societies put on events there that are free, pretty much every night. The Forensic Society is doing a pub quiz on the 15th if you'd like to join us.



Inter trimester Break

by [Anonymous](#) 12 October 2021, 13:11

Category: Glasgow Caledonian University

Days Hours Minutes
094:07:20
REMAINING

One week break between week 6 and week 7 during each trimester.

Can start freshers week a week before scheduled in order to ensure trimester finishes at usual time



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Aspen Milledge wrote, 06-07-2022 - 03:13

I think this is a great idea! I find this period of time is when students are needing some extra time to catch up without falling behind.



PETER SCHEIBENHOFFER wrote, 03-11-2022 - 08:06

Some of the modules' structure is like this: Week 7 - Revision and pause for feedback Please consider, if lecturers are not available on that week, you cannot ask for help if you struggle with your studies. Also, it means a shorter summer holiday.



More GCU merch and hoodies

by [Anonymous](#) 14 April 2022, 00:16

Category: Glasgow Caledonian University

Days 094 : Hours 07 : Minutes 21
REMAINING

I think both GCU and students would benefit from having more merchendice such as bags, lanyards, water bottles, ect. The hoodies only come in three different colours, navy blue, grey and charcole. Please could more colour variety be introduced.



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TARIQ MIR wrote, 01-06-2022 - 17:01

most definitely , a uniform of sorts - but it may impart confidence in the wearer , its super important for students to feel they are proudly connected to our great institution and to the spirit of one another on their academic journey and beyond.. its a great instant advert as well and a marketing dream to have our students represent this way



Aspen Milledge wrote, 13-10-2022 - 18:23

Agree, take Uni of Glasgow for example. They have tons of merch and people love it! You should feel proud and want to have options on showing off your achievements.



GCU Business Ball for Business Students

by [Anonymous](#) 28 April 2022, 12:01

Category: Social Activities

Days Hours Minutes
094:07:18
REMAINING

Arrange the Business Ball to be scheduled for all Business students due to the lack of events for this field of study during the pandemic.



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