

Committee Title	Student Voice				
Date of Meeting	26 th March 2018				
Item Number and Title/Subject	Ideas				
Paper Presenter	Jonnie England, Chair of Student Voice				
Brief Summary of Issues/Topic	These are the Ideas eligible for discussion by Student Voice.				
	Idea	# of Likes	# of Dislikes	Proposer	
	Nap Pods Petition for GCU to revise recent white to recycled paper changes in all Campus printers		36	1	Callum Smith
			9	8	Andrew Gray
	Set Exams before Christmas		6	5	Emelie Elin Cajsa Alsheim
	Reusable takeout containers in the cafeteria		4	0	Paula Linnea Hirschganger
	Allow non-native speakers to have a dictionary		2	0	Emelie Elin Cajsa Alsheim
Recommendation(s)	Information Discussion Approval X				
	Any member can ask a question by raising their voting card and being recognised by the Chair to speak. Student Voice is asked to discuss and decide whether to approve Ideas.				
Who have you consulted when developing the paper?	Unknown				
Staff/Student Protocol	Yes	No			Α
Will any decision approved directly affect the work of staff?					
Should the paper be submitted to any other committee	The Ideas were presented at the Executive Committee meeting on the 20 th March 2018. The Ideas will be presented at the meeting of the Trustee Board on the 21 st May 2018 for consideration.				
following its consideration/approval at this meeting?					
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 .				



by Callum Smith 12 December 2017, 14:31

Category: Wellbeing

Voting closed





With deadlines fast approcahing and more and more students practically living on campus, nap pods would be an ideal place for a quick nap and recuperation period. With "self care" becoming more and more important with students balancing heavy work loads be it university or paid work, nap pods would provide an ideal oppurtunity for the SA to promote and actually facilitate such policies.



Petition for GCU to revise recent white to recycled paper changes in all Campus printers

by Andrew Gray 21 November 2016, 12:06 Category: Glasgow Caledonian University

Voting closed

As I am sure all students are now aware, the printers available to students across the Campus are stocked with recycled paper as Glasgow Caledonian University seeks to reduce its carbon footprint. Whilst the thinking behind this decision is appreciated, it has in turn created an issue.



As a Class Representative I have had students voice concerns about the new arrangements, those printing C.Vs and assignments which look professional on white paper do not carry the same visual quality on the recycled paper in use at present. This has led to students printing important assignments at

home or at external printers off campus with additional cost to students, whilst no saving has been made in terms of the printing cost on the recycled paper.

I have visited the Print Centre on Level 1 of the Saltire Centre like many others to enquire if they are able to print my assignments but there are strict guidelines to which they must adhere.

I therefore propose that Glasgow Caledonian University revise its decision to use recycled paper only in all Campus printers. I believe the students who have raised concerns would be happy to use recycled paper to print off lecture slides or notes, but that it is essential that access to printers with white paper is available for students who do not wish to print C.Vs, cover letters or submit assignments using the recycled paper.

To clarify, it is acknowledged that a meeting took place on Monday 14th November at Student Voice and so far as GCU are concerned, recycled paper is acceptable for any assignments submitted.

I propose a solution of re-introducing white paper to a selected percentage of the printers available and advising students of which printers carry white and which carry recycled paper, so that the University continues to lower its carbon footprint and also offer students the **option** to print on more professional looking paper if they so wish.



Set Exams before Christmas

by Emelie Elin Cajsa Alsheim 04 January 2018, 11:34

Category: Glasgow Caledonian University

Voting closed

Exams should be held before the Christmas break, as it is not fair that we should be pressured into studying our entire holiday, when it is the only time for some of us to actually see and spend time with our families. Especially for those of us who live abroad or far away from home in order to attend university. The other universities in Glasgow have their exams before Christmas, so it should not be an issue to accommodate this at GCU.







Reusable takeout containers in the cafeteria

by Paula Linnea Hirschganger 17 January 2018, 16:00

Category: Catering

Voting closed

Replace the single use takeout containers in the cafeteria with reuseable ones, as shown in this video (starting 3:27):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5qx2WFpNTPs





This will not only help reduce (plastic) trash by a significant amount, but also save money in the long run and make the campus a cleaner place.



Allow non-native speakers to have a dictionary

by Emelie Elin Cajsa Alsheim 04 January 2018, 11:37

Category: Learning and Teaching

Voting closed

In exams and class tests, international students, or non-native speakers of English should be allowed to have access to a dictionary. Especially those who might only come for a term as exchange students, as they might not study in English in their country of studies.



