

Motion Title: Provision of Halal food options at all City, University of London outlets and City Students' Union events

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This Union notes:

1. City, University of London has a diverse student and staff population, including a large Muslim cohort. Muslims have the dietary requirement of only being allowed to eat 'halal' meat and poultry.
2. The catering companies on campus have a good selection of halal food and we would like to see this maintained. Hundreds of Muslim students use the food outlets on campus each day. If these options are removed or reduced, this will force Muslim students to go off campus to find suitable food. This would be highly inconvenient especially as there are limited halal options situated near campus.
3. Muslim students have a good level of engagement with the Students' Union. Providing halal food will encourage more Muslim students to participate in Students' Union activities and events.
4. City, University of London has a commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion and "aims to create a cultural environment that is welcoming and encourages all individuals". Providing students and staff with halal food options allows the University to further work towards this goal.
5. The Students' Union also states inclusivity as a main value. Providing halal food for Muslim students and staff further allows the Students' Union to uphold their values.

This Union believes:

1. Providing halal food options at all food outlets at City, University of London will be of benefit to Muslim students and staff.
2. That there is a great demand for halal food on campus and therefore it makes utilitarian and commercial sense to readily provide it.
3. That Muslim students who observe specific dietary requirements should not have to leave campus to find suitable food.
4. That providing halal food options enhances the student and staff experience at City.

This Union Resolves:

1. To liaise with City, University of London and the relevant groups to ensure that a variety of halal food options can always be provided on all campus food outlets.
2. To ensure that all halal food provided is approved by HMC (Halal Monitoring Committee) standards.
3. To provide halal food, or food suitable within a halal diet, at all Students' Union events and to lobby City, University of London to do the same, where reasonably possible and practical.