

Motion Title; Support from the union for groups of students enquiring about academic certainty

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This Union notes:

1. The university should provide a reasonable and formal path for groups of students looking to appeal where significant and urgent academic matters are concerned i.e. examinations and assessments
2. The university should take the responsibility of investigating into whether students were adequately examined or assessed and provide suitable paths for rectification where they are found to have not
3. The university should strive to give genuine consideration to students' concerns and communicate what is being done where relevant

This Union believes:

1. Approval of this motion will provide students with further assistance where there is mass concern with the standard of examination or assessment and where there is a request for clarification of the method of grading on significant academic work
2. Students will feel more supported and gain better standing with endorsement and / or guidance from the union where there are large numbers of concerned students and justified reasoning for questioning the outcome of their academic work
3. Backing from the union will urge the university to take students' concerns into genuine consideration and ensure fair and standardised academic outcome

This Union Resolves:

1. Groups of students should be supported by the union in their request for justification of academic grading on their work from the university. Further, where possible and relevant the union should provide information on students' existing rights and guidance on means of submitting a request
2. Where inadequate justification or lack of clarity is provided, students should be supported by the union when they request further academic consideration from the university itself and / or other academic authorities as a group of students
3. Where this consideration finds lack of reasoning or consideration is not given or improperly given, the union should assist a group of students in reaching out to higher university authority or other academic authorities for rectification where there is a strong possibility of examination error