

Motion Title: City, University of London Students' Union Environmental Policy

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This Union notes:

1. City, University of London is located across five main sites and has over 18,000 students and over 2,100 staff, all of whom have a significant impact on the environment.

This Union believes:

1. The environment is heavily affected by our extensive use of electricity, paper, plastic and other resources.
2. Environmental policy and awareness is vital in becoming an environmentally sustainable institution.
3. It has a responsibility to promote and develop environmental awareness among its membership.

This Union Resolves:

1. To work towards best practise at all times to improve the union's environmental performance.
2. To increase environmental awareness and responsibility across the board in environmental activities, training and programmes.
3. To, where possible, limit the amount of waste, electricity, paper, plastic and any unnecessary use of resources.
4. To better reflect our sustainability work in the last few years, and to make the policy future-proof:
 - To strive to achieve environmental accreditation, such as the NUS Green Impact Awards
 - To strive to achieve sustainability membership, such as the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals Accord
 - To limit the unnecessary use of less sustainable travel options for business purposes, such as flights or road vehicles. To choose public transport options and more sustainable means of travel where possible and practical. To encourage vehicle-sharing where possible if taxis or other road vehicles are used.
 - To ensure that where possible CULSU always considers the environmental impact of purchases made, and environmentally friendly purchase options are chosen by staff where possible and practical.

- To consider the impact of working with fossil fuels extraction companies, citing renewable energy sources as a more ethical alternative.
5. To increase environmental awareness among the student body, organising and/or supporting campaigns and other initiatives for such purpose.
 6. To support sustainable food consumption