

Motion Title: Shorten the time taken for approving external speaker to 14 days

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This Union notes:

1. The external speaker request process is essential to ensure speakers follow Union and university guidelines.
2. Due to lack of resources, the external speaker request process has taken over the 4-week period requested by the Union.
3. This has disrupted the development and engagement of societies as they were nor able to carry out planned events

This Union believes:

1. That the process of approving external speaker needs to be more transparent to student societies
2. That the development and growth is an important aspect and at the core of the Union priorities.
3. That transparency is a value, which it holds high. Students have a right to know and meet with relevant peoples in the Union for clarification regarding their external speakers.
4. That ALL student societies are equal and will be treated fairly with no bias.

This Union Resolves:

1. That the Union will work with the university to be more transparent in how external speakers are approved, by explaining how the process of approving a speaker is conducted to societies.
2. The student union will work with the University to shorten the time taken for external speaker to be approved from 30 days to 14 days

UPDATE: The overall time for an external speaker to be approved should take up to 14 days.

3. The student union will work with the university to explain and justify to students on what basis they have rejected a speaker with evidence supporting their claim.