



Union Council Motion

Lobby the University to act on the recommendations from the LGBT+ Mental Health Campaign:

I would like the support of Union Council to lobby the University Student Services to act on the recommendations from the LGBT+ mental health campaign. I would also like the support to continue to act upon these recommendations in Hull University Students' Union (HUSU) activity where possible.

These recommendations include:

- Greater transparency in training undertaken by University of Hull (UoH) and HUSU student-facing staff. (Responsibility: Student Services, HUSU)
- Greater communication from UoH and HUSU about the support available for LGBT+ students, especially when there are decisions being made at a political level that negatively impact LGBT+ students. (Responsibility: UoH marcomms, HUSU).

And much more...

These recommendations have come from:

- LGBT+ mental health survey
- LGBT+ open forums
- Student Minds LGBT+ Mental health report click [here](#)
- Other general conversations with LGBT+ students

You can find more information in the LGBT+ Mental health campaign report.

Why do you want to change it?

Research has consistently shown that LGBT+ students experience greater rates of mental illness, and worse access to care and treatment.



You can read more about this in my blog [here](#)

The university's strategy for 2020 onwards focuses on inclusion, and particularly listening to the needs of students from protected characteristics and minority groups. Listening to the experiences of LGBT+ students, and acting on these in student services, training and all aspects of a students' University experience is therefore essential in carrying out their vision. The University ought to be held accountable to this strategy.

This report and the recommendations will be presented at the University's Social Justice and Inclusion Board on April 20th 2021. It would bring a lot more weight to the recommendations if they have been supported by a representative body of students.

What do you want Hull University Union to do?:

I would like HUSU to support the lobbying of these recommendations to the University of Hull and HUSU.

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