



# **YORK ST JOHN STUDENTS' UNION**

## **BYELAW (12) NATIONAL UNION OF STUDENTS**

*A Byelaw setting out the Students' Union's relationship with the National Union of Students; and the arrangements for the Students' Union's participation in NUS Conferences.*

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## **Byelaw (12) National Union of Students**

### **1. Relationship with the National Union of Students**

- 1.1. The Students' Union shall be affiliated with the National Union of Students (NUS), and the affiliation shall be reported to the Annual Student Members' Meeting and documented in the Trustees' Annual Report.
- 1.2. The Students' Union shall engage with the NUS on national campaigns, training for officers and staff, research and insight, and policy making.
- 1.3. The Students' Union is a member of the SUSS Pension Scheme, for which the NUS is the Primary Member, and the Students' Union will work with the NUS and other member Students' Unions to continue to manage liabilities relating to the SUSS Pension deficit.
- 1.4. The Students' Union will promote the sale and use of TOTUM Student Cards to students at York St John University, and the Students' Union shall use the small commission received to fund operations, activities, and charitable services.

### **2. NUS Conferences**

- 2.1. The delegates attending a NUS Conference shall be
  - One Sabbatical Officer elected by the Student Council; and,
  - One student or Student Councillor elected by the Student Council OR a student or Student Councillor elected by the student body in an election;and the Student Council shall designate delegate as Delegation Leader.
- 2.2. The composition of the delegation is subject to NUS gender balance policies.
- 2.3. In accordance with Byelaw (5), the Student Council shall determine the position to be taken by the delegates on NUS Motions, and the minutes of the Student Council meeting at which NUS Policies are discussed will be published within one week of the meeting to all Student Members.

### **3. Responsibilities of NUS Delegates**

- 3.1. Delegates shall ensure that they are present on the floor of Conference for any policy votes and elections at the discretion of the Delegation Leader.
- 3.2. Delegates shall vote in accordance with Students' Union policies, and any matters relating to the interpretation of Students' Union policies shall be determined by the Delegation Leader.
- 3.3. The Delegation Leader may permit a free vote of the delegation on issues unrelated to those determined by the Student Council or Students' Union policy.
- 3.4. Delegates shall each be required to present a written report to the Student Council meeting following an NUS Conference.