

WSU Policy Number: To be filled in by the SU

Policy Proposal: WSU Supports the NUS Student Strike/Teach In

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Facts: What is the issue you're trying to address? What do we already know about this issue?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NUS is holding a Student Strike and Teach In on 2nd March 2022 • This is during our Progress Week so would have limited impact on students missing learning. • The Further and Higher Education sectors are facing increased change and indications from Government suggest further change could be on the way. It is vital that students are able to shape that change to create an education system that enables them to succeed and meets the challenges of the future • NUS believes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ "It's no secret, we (students) have been failed by successive governments." ○ We (students/the education sector) need to start over, and get it right this time. So let's take matters into our (students) own hands. ○ Collectively, students, workers and communities are building a new vision for education! • NUS want a system that is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fully funded: higher and further education to be funded by governments - free at the point of use for students - with proper pay, pensions and conditions for staff across education and beyond ○ Accessible: creating safe and inclusive spaces - built for students here and now - and uprooting disablism in our education ○ Lifelong: there to support us from cradle to grave - think less restrictive, more fluid & flexible ○ Democratised: giving students more power and agency over our own learning • The officers at Worcester Students' Union believe that Worcester students should have a say in the future of education and help set NUS' vision. 	

- The Teach In will provide our students with the first opportunity to feed in to this national debate. The officers believe that even if Worcester students do not agree with all of NUS' asks they should be given the opportunity to influence them.

Impacts: How does this issue affect students, and in what way? Is it negative?

- If the structure or regulation of the education system changes then future students will see the impact of those changes.
- Graduates may be impacted in the future. A lifelong education system is a likely outcome, and this may impact on current students if they need to access education again.

**Reacts: What would you like the Students' Union to do to address the issue?
How do we need to take it forward?**

- The Students' Union publicly supports NUS' Student Strike Campaign/Teach In and promotes it to its members (students at the University of Worcester).
- The Students' Union publicises how students can get involved virtually.
- The Students' Union sends a delegation of students to the Teach In event in London on 2nd March 2022.