

Student Council Motion Proposal

Pilot UWIC Representation on Student Council

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Summary:

This policy would enable the Students' Union to have a UWIC Representative on Student Council during the consultation and transition period following the outcomes of the governance review

Student Council Notes the Following Facts:

- The University of Worcester International College (UWIC) took its first students in February 2017.
- UWIC is an embedded partner institution that is based in Jenny Lind and is part of Holmes Education Group. It provides international students with the opportunity to undertake a range of courses that then allow them to progress on to University of Worcester undergraduate or postgraduate courses.
- UWIC students are fully fledged University of Worcester students and have access to all the same services.
- UWIC courses last between 6 months a year and start in October and late January/February and do not align to University dates.
- While they are based in Worcester UWIC students are subject to some different policies and procedures and therefore do have a different experience to other international students
- UWIC is growing and expects to go from 50 to over 300 students in January.
- The Students Union is undergoing a governance review that is due to be complete in by September 2020. This includes a full rewrite of the bye-laws.
- UWIC representation is proposed in the governance review

Student Council Holds the Viewpoint That:

- UWIC student should be represented at Student Council and that this should not wait for the governance review to be complete
- A UWIC student should be co-opted to Student Council at the earliest opportunity with full voting rights
- If a delay in implementation of the governance review occurred, beyond the current term of Student Council then the position should be reviewed by Student Council before any subsequent election of a replacement.

Student Council Resolves to Take the Following Action(s):

- Implement a pilot UWIC representative on Student Council in January 2020 to exist until the new governance structure is adopted or following a delay Student Council votes to suspend the pilot.