



Newman Students' Union Motions and Policies Template

Submit this form to the Chair of Student Forums or the Annual General Meeting (AGM)

You will be required to present this at a meeting for consideration by students who shall vote on whether to pass the motion or not. Once passed, it becomes Union policy.

Name of Motion	Free BSL opportunity/qualification for students
Proposer (Your) Name	Daniel Norman
Proposer (Your) Email	
Seconder Name	Libby Handford
Seconder Email	
Date Submitted	
Date Approved	

Newman Students' Union Notes (Insert facts here, be careful not to write opinions!):

1. The university and Union do not currently provide or advertise free BSL lessons, which lead to a qualification.
2. We know from SSCCs that students want this opportunity.
3. We know that these opportunities are expensive, and especially with the cost of living, students cannot afford this.
4. Other unions and universities offer this, whether it is free varies across institutions.
5. Whilst this motion is for BSL, we know students are looking for other opportunities such as first aid as their professions use these skills on a daily basis.

Newman Students' Union Believes (Here is where you can write your opinion or what you think the stance of the Union should be):

1. This opportunity will allow the university to become more inclusive in its practice.
2. This will increase engagement of students as they are looking to progress and stand out, especially as they go on to graduate.
3. If free, this will be a good opportunity for the executive committee, society committees, faculty reps, and even course reps to utilise within training.
4. If it can't be embedded within the union, we believe the best place would be under student support.

Newman Students' Union Resolves (Here is where you write how you want to achieve your aims and make active change!):

1. Either for the university or union to cover the costs for the teaching of the course, and have a discounted rate to complete the qualification for those who want to actually gain the full qualification.
2. For a minimum to provide BSL lessons for free and inform students of how they can further progress with the qualification status if they want it.
3. Depending on the nature of the course, this could/would be embedded into the learning support moodle page, where students can self enrol.
4. This (if successful) should be heavily advertised by **both** the university and union as it is a great opportunity that students should be engaging in.