



The Charter for Change

General Aims:

1. Wide-ranging reform of all areas of the University's Education System.
2. Proposal of effective and irrefutable solutions to the problems with the current Education System.
3. Elimination of underperformance by specific groups of students.
4. Bringing Educational Reform to the top of the university's agenda.

Proposed Topics for Inclusion:

Supervisions:

Training; feedback; complaint procedures; official guidelines for supervisors/supervisees.

Exams:

Timetabling; class-lists; feedback; appeals; reform of exam boards.

Lectures:

Accessibility; training; feedback.

Libraries:

Accessibility; university-wide co-ordination; standardisation of charges; fairer borrowing rights.

University, Faculty and Departmental Boards and Committees:

Representation on committees; reserved business; openness of proceedings.

Timescale:

The charter is envisaged to as a three-part process with one part being submitted each year for three years. The final part will therefore be submitted to coincide with the University's 800th Anniversary. Each part will be more progressive than the last and will be submitted at the start of Michaelmas so as to set the agenda for the year. The charter will be tailored to each department, faculty or college to which it will be submitted. The following timescale is proposed for 2006:

Late February (completed)	Agreement in principle by CUSU Executive Official launch
Remainder of Lent	Suggestions from Education Network, other CUSU Campaigns, College Student Unions and individual members of CUSU.
Easter Vacation	Write up of first draft.
Start of Easter Term	Submission of first draft to CUSU Executive and Council for fine-tuning.
Late Easter	Ratification of final draft by CUSU Council
Start of Michaelmas	Submission of Part I to the University.