

UEA Students Union Associate Memberships Policy

Introduction

The activities and opportunities we provide at UEA Students' Union are predominantly for current students studying at the University of East Anglia. However, we recognise that there are individuals that are not current UEA Students that may want to become an associate member of UEA Students Union so they can participate in a selection of our activities.

This associate memberships policy details who can be an associate member of the UEA Students' Union, the benefits associate memberships will have access to, the process a prospective associate must undertake to become an associate member of UEA Students' Union, and the regulations an associate member must abide by.

Associate Membership Regulations

- i. Associate memberships are valid for the duration of the academic year in which the associate membership is paid for. Associate memberships expire on July 31st following the end of the academic year. Once the associate membership has expired, former associate members looking to continue their membership will need to re-apply and re-purchase their associate membership following the regulations and process outlined in this policy.
- ii. By becoming an associate member, an individual will obtain the following benefits:
 - Ability to purchase an associate membership for uea(su) student groups (clubs, societies, and peer support groups), which will enable you to attend relevant events, activities, and training sessions that the student group is running. Please note, membership to student groups is open to associate members at the discretion of the student group's committee.
- iii. An associate membership does not allow the following:
 - The right to vote in any election by uea(su) or a uea(su) student group
 - The right to hold an officer or representative role at uea(su)
 - The right to hold a committee position in a uea(su) student group
 - Participation in BUCS competitions.

- iv. Associate memberships are available to the following people for a fee of £50. Please note, the £50 fee is a separate and additional fee to the existing student group membership fee charges, and, if joining a club, Sports Association Membership charge.
 - UEA Alumni
 - UEA Members of Staff
 - Current students from university institutions within the United Kingdom, providing that institution is not the University of East Anglia.

- v. Associate members are available to the following people at no extra cost. Please note, these individuals will still have to pay student group membership fees.
 - Current students studying at INTO
 - Current students studying at Eastern and Otley College

- vi. Associate members of uea(su) must comply with the [UEA Students Union Members' Code of Conduct](#). Failure to comply with the Members Code of Conduct may result in the removal of student group memberships, the removal of your associate membership, and further disciplinary action.

Applying for associate memberships

- i. To apply for an associate membership, an individual must complete the associate membership application form and return this form to union.opportunities@uea.ac.uk.
- ii. The associate membership form can be found for download on [this page](#) on the uea.su website.
- iii. Only forms completed by UEA Alumni, UEA Members of Staff, current students studying at INTO, current students studying at Eastern and Otley college, and current students from University institutions within the United Kingdom, providing that institution is not the University of East Anglia, will be accepted.
- iv. Incomplete application forms will not be accepted.
- v. Applications for an Associate Membership will be considered on a case by case basis following the submission of the associate membership application form. A member of staff from UEA Students' Union will be in contact with prospective associate members following their application with the outcome of their application and further instructions.