

1927 Flexible Leases for Postgraduate Students

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Union Notes:

1. Many postgraduate students live on campus while studying.
2. Postgraduate student leases are always a full year, from September to September.
3. Many off-campus student leases end in June or July, meaning that campus accommodation is often in high demand over summer for students working in Norwich or researching over summer.
4. Postgraduate students, especially those doing development based subjects, often do their research away from Norwich.
5. If a postgraduate student needs to continue their studies elsewhere they must find someone to take their room themselves.

Union Believes

1. Postgraduate students need their leases to be more flexible, and have the ability to arrange leases that end in early summer like undergraduates' leases.
2. We need a system for postgraduate students to be able to find other students who want to live on campus.

Union Resolves:

1. Mandate officers (outgoing and elect) to work with the university accommodation service to make sure postgraduate students can have more flexible leases.
2. Create a dedicated space on the home run website for students that want accommodation on campus.