

International Students Tuition fees and COVID-19

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Union Notes

- -As a result of the COVID-19 Crisis, students are no longer able to access facilities such as hospitals and laboratories.
- -The primary reason many international students choose to go to abroad is for the unique exposure that they provide.
- -Many courses have cancelled placements, practical assessments without indication whether they will be compensated for later.
- -Graduating students and MSc students are affected the most due to the limited time they have at Imperial.
- -There has been calls by students and student leaders across the UK for students to get a refund or repeat the year at no cost.
<https://www.theguardian.com/education/2020/apr/22/students-should-get-a-years-refund-due-to-covid-19-crisis>

Union Believes

- The quality of the education the international students were expecting has been significantly damaged, meaning that the current discrepancy between home and overseas students is not justified in light of the COVID-19 Crisis.
- All students should be the same fees if they are receiving the same services.

Union Resolves

- Mandate Officers to lobby for College for a refund, discount or appropriate compensation for International students (that can be repeating assessments later or extend their study duration at no extra cost).