

		<b>EQUAL ACCESS POLICY</b>	
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<b>Summary:</b> <i>This paper provides an update on the implementation of the policy</i>			
1. To campaign for ARU to classify all those seeking asylum as home students for fee purposes.		NOT STARTED	
2. To campaign for ARU to offer at least 10 scholarships that cover study and maintenance costs for people who have come to the UK seeking refugee protection.		IN PROGRESS	
3. To campaign for ARU to publicise their Equal Access policies and make them easily locatable, so that potential students can easily apply for these scholarships.		NOT STARTED	
4. To publicise its support for refugees and their right to education during Refugee Week.		IN PROGRESS	
5. To publicise its support for refugees and their right to education during relevant political votes in the Houses of Parliament, including encouraging local MPs to vote in support of refugee needs.		IN PROGRESS	
<b>Updates:</b>			
1. Not started – need to ascertain whether this is a university decision or a student finance decision.			
2. Spoken with original policy proposer and we met to discuss/research what other unions have been doing. <a href="#">Original policy proposer has agreed to and has written – I believe – a paper outlining what we want and why to be taken to the appropriate committees.</a>			
3. Not started			
4. Attended the conference in London and have lots of ideas of events to hold during Refugee week. Budget requests will come in soon though need to ascertain what is appropriate as refugee week is in June which is right in the middle of handover to new officers and most undergrad students who are the bulk of our student numbers will not be here.			
5. Kirran Khan will be bringing this to local MPs – he has meetings in with them or is sending emails.			
There's a petition to lobby the university for equal access here: <a href="https://www.angliastudent.com/represent/campaigns/equalaccesspolicy/">https://www.angliastudent.com/represent/campaigns/equalaccesspolicy/</a>			

Members are asked to **DISCUSS**