

039 – Mental Health Crisis Team on Campus

Propose: Katie Cecilia- Student Trustee & Chairperson of the Wellbeing Society.

Union Notes

1. The University does not currently have a mental health crisis team.
2. Student mental health is an ongoing problem at LTU.
3. The wellbeing team is only accessible during academic hours.
4. There is little mental health support for students during the weekends.

Union Believes

1. It is important that students are supported at all hours of the day, not just during academic hours
2. It offers appropriate support for students in crisis.
3. The security guards are not appropriately trained to handle mental health related issues.
4. The burden often falls on Vice president, President and resident mentors during weekends and out of hours.

Union Resolves

1. To mandate both the Vice President and President to lobby the University to implement a 24-hour Crisis Team, alongside the mental health officer
2. To mandate the Vice President and Mental Health officer to explore other large-scale solutions to the HE mental health crisis. Considering best practise from across the sector
3. To allow students the support they need all hours of the day from appropriately qualified staff.

Motion passed: 01/11/21