

Transfer of Hammersmith Students' Community (705) To the Graduate Students' Union

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Background

Previous to the restructure of the then 'Graduate Students' Association' in 2012, Hammersmith Students' Community was a society that catered for the students of the Faculty of Medicine on the Hammersmith campus. The majority of permanent members were/still are postgraduate students located on site.

Over the last few years, it seems slightly bizarre for a 'constituent union' catering for only undergraduate students to hold the financial authorisation of activities catering for solely postgraduate students. As an example this year, ICSMSU Exec had to authorise the finances for a boat party put on by the HSC and GSU solely for postgraduate students. In terms of overall responsibility, GSU have been in constant liaison with them regarding their activities throughout the year.

ICSMSU Exec would welcome the transfer of HSC to the GSU as their first CSP. This has been discussed and agreed with the current GSU President, Andreas Thomik.

Current Policy

According to the current ICU Clubs and Societies Policy [1]:

"44. A club, society or project whose aims and objectives fit more appropriately in another Management Group will transfer to that Management Group under the following conditions:

i. A resolution of the club, society or project's committee (or general meeting if required) and the consent of the Management Group to which it would be transferred, or

ii. A resolution of the Clubs and Societies Board or Executive Committee."

Decision required:

1. To transfer the Hammersmith Students' Community to the Graduate Students' Union
2. To celebrate the Graduate Students' Union's first official CSP

[1] <https://www.imperialcollegeunion.org/your-union/policies/44/file>