

Membership of BUSU

1. Ordinary

Eligibility:

1.1. All students registered at the University of Bath shall be eligible for Ordinary Membership of the Union.

1.2. Union Sabbatical Officers

1.3. All students wishing to become Ordinary Members of the Union shall pay, or have paid on their behalf i.e. through the University Block Grant, such membership fee as shall be determined from time to time and complete the Union Registration procedure. When BUSU is affiliated to the National Union of Students (NUS) members shall also be entitled to the associated benefits i.e. an NUS card.

Entitlement:

1.4. Eligibility for membership of all Union Clubs and Societies

1.5. Speaking and voting rights at all General Meetings of the Union

1.6. Eligibility for election as a Union Officer

1.7. Eligibility for election to any committee or sub-committee of the Union

1.8. Observer status at any Union meeting that they are not elected to.

2. Associate

Eligible:

2.1. Carers of ordinary members for whom the fee will be waived

2.2. Any other person subject to the approval of Executive Committee

2.3. Staff of BUSU on permanent or fixed term contracts of at least 6 months for whom the fee will be waived. [These staff will, exceptionally, be entitled to a NUS card.]

Entitlement:

2.4. Entitled to a BUSU Associate membership card

2.5. Use of appropriate facilities as determined by Executive Committee including access to Union run bars and social facilities with the exception of "special events".

2.6. Membership of all Clubs and Societies subject to the consent of the Vice President (Activities and Development) or Vice President (Sport).

2.7. Associate members will have no speaking or voting rights. They may not stand for election as a Union Officer or membership of any Union committee or sub-committee or become an officer of any Union Club or Society.

2.8. Associate members have no voting rights

3. Honorary Life

Eligibility:

3.1. Members or ex members of the Union may be granted Honorary Life Membership in recognition of services to the Union at the discretion of Executive Committee and subject to ratification by way of a motion to a meeting of Students' Union council. The decision of Students' Union Council will subsequently be reported to the next GM.

Entitlement:

3.2. Use of appropriate facilities as determined by Executive Committee

Amended at AGM on 4 December 2003

3.3. Eligibility for membership of all Union Clubs and Societies

3.4. Observer status at any Union meeting

3.5. Access to Union run bars and social facilities with the exception of "special events".

3.6. Life members do not have any speaking or voting rights nor can they stand for election as a Union Officer, as a member of any Union committee or sub-committee or become an officer or committee member of any Union Club or Society.

4. Life

This category of membership has been discontinued. However, those who have already been granted Life Membership will remain Life Members.

Entitlement:

Entitlement shall be as set out in the Constitution pertaining at the time as follows:

4.1. all the benefits and privileges conferred on ordinary members except that -

4.1.1. they shall not be eligible to be Officers, or to be members of the Students' Union Council

4.1.2. they shall not be entitled to take part in any election of Officers or of members of the Students' Union Council or officers of any Club or Society for the time being affiliated to the Students' Union

4.1.3. they shall not be entitled to attend or vote at Union General Meetings or at any General Meeting of any Club or Society for the time being affiliated to the Students' Union

4.1.4. they shall not be entitled to represent the Students' Union in any official capacity.

Footnote:

Use of facilities is subject in all cases to Union Disciplinary procedures.