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| **Campaign Name:** | Disabilities Campaign (DisCam) | | | | |
| **Chair/Co-Chairs:** | Aerija Jeffries-Shaw, Linnet Drury | | | | |
| **Campaign Progress** | | | | | |
| **Targets set at last term** | | **Achieved?** | **How? / Why not?** | | **Spend** |
| Continue to look into avenues of advice and support for student and foster relationships with these services. | | Ongoing | We continue to work closely with the SU and other student welfare services to support students on a case by case basis.  Going forward, we are going to look at the option of collecting a set of case studies (with student consent and conforming to GDPR regulations) to have an awareness of what situations frequently arise, how these students are successfully supported, and what the outcomes are. | | N/A |
| Foster communities for marginalised communities | | Yes/ongoing | Freshers fair was very successful and lots of students engaged with us at the stall. This has led into a successful DisCam family scheme which we are currently in the process of finishing assigning families.  We are starting to run events, with the first one being an ADHD study session, which sadly had no attendees. This was perhaps due to the short notice of the event, and we shall hopefully run more in the future.  The LGBTQ x DisCam rep is in the process of putting on a speaker event. | | £198.75- combination of tshirts for freshers fair and badges (badges didn’t arrive on time, but will be used at future events) |
| Support to raise awareness within the student community about disability issues and how to support disabled students. | | Ongoing | We have created a calendar of awareness days which we will be publishing to ask for support in raising awareness around these issues.  We are due to do a consultancy event within the SU to help guide the SU strategy in the coming years to ensure that disabled students are included and heard. | | +£100- we will be paid for the consultancy event |
| Promote awareness of hidden disabilities within the university | | No | Due to the difficulty of getting high numbers of sunflower lanyards, we have not yet been able to offer free sunflower lanyards. We will still consider doing this when a suitable possibility is found. | | 0 |
| **Next Term Targets** | | | | | |
| **Target** | | **Description** | | **Expected Spend** | |
| Create a set of disability pledges for colleges  (Longer than a single term project) | | We are aware of the discrepancy between colleges of support for disabled students, including implementation of SSPs (student support plans) and other adjustments in colleges (eg accommodation). Some colleges do this exceptionally, which we believe should be recognised; others less so and we would like to demonstrate and support them in how to support disabled students. | | N/A | |
| Explore policies around confidentiality between colleges and college GPs  (Longer than a single term project) | | We would like to gather evidence from students about how their confidential medical and welfare information has been treated, as there have been several instances known to DisCam where either college GPs have shared information to colleges without a student’s consent or vice versa. Should there be sufficient evidence to show that this is a widespread issue, we would like to explore the policies currently in place and how they can be bettered to support a student’s right to confidentiality. This will hopefully link in with the above target (disability pledges) | | N/A | |
| Continue to connect students through social events | | We have a number of socials planned, including a DisCam families social (date tbc). We believe that DisCam should not only be about advocacy but also connection and preventing isolation of students with disabilities by ensuring there are accessible social events. Thus, we are looking at a list of local accessible locations to hold events, not just from DisCam but events by other campaigns and societies as well. | | Unsure- £100 perhaps for refreshments and running socials. | |
| **Chair/Co-Chair’s Comments:** | | | | | |
| It has been a pleasure to chair DisCam over the last few months, and even more so to welcome Linnet as the new cochair. We are very happy to have an active and engaged committee who are full of ideas and support. Primarily since TT23 we have been working with students on individual cases where there has been discrimination and we have provided advice, support, and onwards signposting. We also have prioritised freshers fair and welcoming disabled freshers.  Going forwards, we have a lot of more intense campaigning and policy investigations we would like to undertake to ensure that students are supported and valued. However, we shall still be running socials to foster a sense of community.  Aerija (they/them) and Linnet | | | | | |