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MANDATE

Student Study Space on Maynooth Campus

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Student Senate notes:

- The lack of space on Maynooth campus for students to study and get work done during the current lockdown which has been raised by numerous students.
- The confusion that has ensued following a lack of clarity on opening hours of specific buildings on campus and the limited amount of time that students can spend in buildings like the library.

Student Senate further notes:

The increasing workload that students face as we come to the time of assignment submissions and essays and the lack of space or resources that they have available to them at home.

Student Senate believes:

That these students need to be supported and greater clarity needs to be sought surrounding what buildings are accessible to students and a concrete outline of their opening hours.

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Student Senate acknowledges:

The difficulty that the COVID-19 Level 5 regulations present in the need to reduce on campus presence, however, this will not be helped by the very limited spaces for students to study which could lead to the ability of the virus to spread easier.

Student Senate therefore mandates:

The Maynooth Students' Union President to lobby the University for:

- Increased space on campus for students to use for study and lectures.
- Clarity as to the buildings that are open for student use.
- The specific opening hours of these buildings for the information of students

Student Senate further mandates:

The Maynooth Students' Union President to work with the University to address the lack of communication to students on this and to make students and staff aware of the resources and concrete times that buildings will open.