

**Amendment to Governing Document AGD1201
Motion to change the name of UCLU LGBT Forum &
Officer to LGBT+**



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This Union Notes:

1. That UCLU LGBT Forum held a Forum meeting on 18/5/12 at which members formally decided to change the name of the Forum to LGBT+ Forum.
2. That since the 18/5/12 UCLU LGBT Forum have referred to themselves as UCLU LGBT+ Forum, including in all of their welcome publicity and events.
3. That the UCLU LGBT Forum Guidance document ratified at a council meeting on 23/10/12 makes numerous references to LGBT+ and contains a committee position for an Asexual Students' Representative.
4. That discussions have taken place at the most recent LGBT+ Forum meeting about further representation for other gender/sexual minority representation and it has been agreed that when the forum feels that this representation is needed amongst its members it will add positions accordingly.
5. That numerous other University LGBT Societies/Associations/Forums across the UK are named LGBT+ including: Aberystwyth, Bristol¹, Cardiff², Edge Hill, Edinburgh, Hertfordshire, Liverpool, Roehampton, Southampton Solent, Surrey, Swansea, Wolverhampton.

This Union Believes:

1. That UCLU Liberation Campaigns have the right to make their own decisions about what they are called.
2. Explicitly including a + in the LGBT Forum and Officer title and job description makes the LGBT Forum more welcoming and inclusive to those who potentially need the most support and representation whilst still being searchable and easily identifiable.

This Union Resolves:

1. To change under Section 3 of the UCL Union Byelaws, under Forums 10 g. "LGBT Forum" to "LGBT+ Forum"
2. To also change under Section 3 of the UCL Union Byelaws, under Forums 10 g. i. "Chaired by LGBT Officer, who shall define as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual or Transexual." to "Chaired by the LGBT+ Officer, who shall define as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans* and/or any other gender/sexual minority including but not limited to Asexual spectrum, Queer, Intersex"
3. To further change under Section 3 of the UCL Union Byelaws, under Forums 10 g.iii. "Shall be a Forum for UCLU members to discuss issues affecting the LGBT community at UCL, as well as the Union's policy and priorities that affect LGBT students." to "Shall be a Forum

¹ <http://www.ubu.org.uk/activities/societies/LGBTplus/>

² www.cardifflgbtplus.co.uk/

for UCLU members to discuss issues affecting the LGBT+ community at UCL, as well as the Union's policy and priorities that affect LGBT+ students."

4. To change Section 4 (Union Council), subsection "Composition", point q of the UCL Union byelaws from "LGBT" to "LGBT+"
5. To change Section 8 (Union Officers), subsection C (Non-Sabbatical Officers), point 57 of the UCL Union byelaws from "LGBT Officer" to "LGBT+ Officer" and 57. a. from "Shall define as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, or Trans." to "Shall define as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans* and/or any other gender/sexual minority including but not limited to Asexual spectrum, Queer, Intersex",
6. To further change Section 8 (Union Officers), subsection C (Non-Sabbatical Officers), point 57.b. through f. of the UCL Union byelaws from "LGBT" to "LGBT+"
7. To amend under Section 9 (Elections), subsection 10, point b., of the UCL Union byelaws from "LGBT Officer" to "LGBT+ Officer" and section 10. b. i. from "Elected by students who self-define as LGBT" to "Elected by students who self-define as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans* and/or any other gender/sexual minority including but not limited to Asexual spectrum, Queer, Intersex",
8. To change the self-definition category in voting election for students' UCLU accounts from "Self-define: LGBT" to "Self-define: LGBT+".
9. To amend the UCLU Website and all other UCLU documentation which concern the LGBT Forum or Officer to LGBT+ Forum within a reasonable time frame of this motion passing.
10. To henceforth refer to the LGBT Forum and the LGBT Officer as the LGBT+ Forum and the LGBT+ Officer respectively.

This Union Mandates:

1. The Democracy and Communications Officer to ensure that resolves 1-9 are carried out.
2. All Officers to carry out resolves 10.