

**1674 Fair Trade University** passed 12 Feb 15

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### **Union Notes**

1. Fair Trade fortnight begins on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February.
2. Fair Trade is a certification given to goods by the Fair Trade Foundation which has a variety of minimum standards required in areas such as the treatment and pay of hired labour and trading price.
3. The Fair Trade Foundation aims to secure a more sustainable and equitable pricing systems for all those involved in global supply chains of various goods. With the goal of reducing the risk of those involved in these supply chains from falling into poverty.
4. Universities are also able to gain the Fair Trade University accreditation by stocking as many Fair Trade products as possible, promoting Fair Trade to their students and both the Student Union and University having a Fair Trade policy.
5. In the Green League produced by People and Planet released recently UEA scored 0% on sections related to Fair Trade.

### **Union Believes**

1. Fair Trade makes a positive impact to people around the globe.
2. The Union should support the Fair Trade Foundation in its goals.

### **Union Resolves**

1. To stock Fair Trade alternatives to products where possible in all Union outlets.
  2. To ensure all clothing procured by the Union is Fair Trade.
  3. To lobby the University to also adopt a Fair Trade policy.
  4. To work towards getting Fair Trade University accreditation.
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