

SCHEDULE A

REFERENDA OUTCOME(S)

(1) The results of the USI re-affiliation vote as confirmed by the electoral committee & Returning Officer:

Question

"Do you wish to affiliate to the Union of Students in Ireland, where a referendum on affiliation must be held at the end of every three years?" "By affiliating €8 will be added to the student contribution of full-time registered students and €5 will be added to the student contribution of part-time Students."

Result

Turnout - 1,451 (Quorum of 1,234)

Yes - 726

No - 725

Referendum passed.

(2) The result of the Hub Referendum vote as confirmed by the electoral committee & Returning Officer:

Question

Do you wish for there to be an extension and reduction of the current Student Centre Levy in order to fund the building of a new extension to the DCU Student Centre The Hub?

A Yes vote will reduce the levy from the current €38 to €35 and will extend the period of the levy for such a time as is necessary to repay the loan required to complete the building.

A No vote will mean the levy remains at the current €38 per annum until 2019 and there will be not be a redevelopment of the DCU Student Centre The Hub at this time.

Result

The results of the Hub Financing Referendum is as follows:

Total Poll 2387

Spoilt 61

Valid 2325

YES 2139

No 187

The question carried.

(3) The outcome of the DCU Students' Union Referendum of Student Fees 2011

The question on the ballot paper read:

"Would you support third level tuition fees as a funding solution for higher education?"

"Would you support a graduate tax as a funding solution for higher education?"

"Would you support a student loan scheme as a funding solution for higher education?"

"Would you support the annual continuation of the student contribution fee if it was capped at €2,000?"

"Would you agree with a fully free higher level education system that is funded fully through the conventional taxation system?"

Polling took place on Wednesday 7/12/12 10am-9pm, Thursday 8/12/11 10am - 6pm and Friday 9/12/11 10am - 3pm.

Results:

Due to a violation of Article 9 of the DCUSU Constitution: 'Elections and Referenda' the **Student Fees referendum was declared null and void.**

The polling and counting were performed by PV (preferential voting) rather than PRSTV (proportional representation through the single transferable vote) which is the Students union constitutionally required voting method.

Article 9.5.1.1 states: "The counting procedures shall be in accordance with the system of proportional representation by the single transferable vote method"

(4) The outcome of the DCU Students' Union Referendum of Labyrinth project donation:

The ballot read as follows;

"Are you in favour of the Students' Union donating €10,000 towards the Labyrinth project?

Please indicate your preference:

-Yes -No"

Polling took place on Tuesday 3/04/12 9am to 9pm and Wednesday 4/04/12 10am to 5pm.

Results

Quorum was reached

Total Poll - 2,340

Total Valid - 2,263

Quota - 1,133

Count 1:

Yes - 701

No - 1,562

Spoilt - 77

As the No vote passes the quota the Students' Union will not donate €10,000 to the Labyrinth Project.

The outcome of the DCU Students' Union Referendum of Student Fees 2012

There were five choices for the Student Fees referendum. They were as follows;

1. Means tested Tuition Fees
2. Graduate Tax
3. Student Loan Scheme
4. Student Contribution of €3,000 (status-quo)
5. Fully free system funded by convention taxation.

Polling took place on Wednesday 22/11/2012 9am to 10pm and on Thursday 23/11/2012 9am to 5pm.

Polling and Counting was carried out by PRSTV.

Results:

Quorum: 1,125
Total Poll: 1553
Spoils: 30
Total Valid Poll: 1523
Quota:763

COUNT 1:

Option 1: 287
Option 2: 151
Option 3: 164
Option 4: 287
Option 5: 634

As Option 2 received the least amount of votes it was eliminated.

COUNT 2:

Option 1: 311
Option 3: 211
Option 4: 319
Option 5: 659

As Option 3 was eliminated.COUNT 3:

Option 1: 384
Option 4: 383
Option 5: 707

Option 4 was eliminated and its preferences distributed.

COUNT 4:

Option 1: 561
Option 5: 853

As option 5 passed the quota it is deemed the official policy of the students' union.

As such DCU Students' Union shall campaign for option 5: "Fully free system funded by convention taxation."

(6) The outcome of the DCU Students' Union Referendum on Reproductive Rights 1992
As per new constitution (2011 edition) stances undertaken by previous referenda are not defined.

As such on 28/11/12 Class Rep. Council passed by majority that the result of the Students' Union referendum in 1992 on the topic of Reproductive rights and the X-case still stands.
DCU Students' Union hold the stance of an Information campaign of the topic of abortion, reproductive rights and the X-case.

Do you agree to the proposed changes to the DCUSU Constitution as proposed by the Class Representative Council on February 4, 2016?

These changes will introduce an Irish Language Officer to the Executive, modify nomination requirements, expand the deadline for elections to be held by, create a gender-neutral constitution and make minor housekeeping changes.

Polling took place on 16/02/2016 10am to 5pm on 18/02/2016.
Polling and Counting was carried out by PRSTV.

Results

Total Poll 1635
Spoilt 33 (*those who selected no response*)
Total Valid Poll 1602

YES 1381
NO 221

I deem the question carried and the Constitution is immediately amended.

Reproductive Rights Preferendum (2016)

Polling took place on 16/02/2016 10am to 5pm on 18/02/2016.
Polling and Counting was carried out by PRSTV.

Results

Total Poll 1496
Quota 749

1. Pro-life 189
2. Pro-choice 1057
3. Legislation & Amendment 146
4. Legislation 34

5. No stance 70

As Pro-choice has passed the quota it is now deemed the position of the DCU Students' Union.

"Do you wish to remain affiliated to the Union of Students in Ireland, where a referendum on affiliation must be held at the end of every three years?"

The cost of affiliation is €8 for full-time registered students and €5 for part-time students collected annually with the student contribution charge"

You will have the option to vote YES/Tá or NO/Níl. (2016)

Polling took place on 01/12/2016 9am to 5pm on 02/12/2016.
Polling and Counting was carried out by PRSTV.

(NO RESULTS ??????)

"Do you accept the revised Students' Union Constitution proposed by Class Rep Council?"

"Nglacann tú leis an bunreacht aontas na mac leinn nua dar Comhairle Ionadaí Ranga?"

You have the option to vote YES/Tá or NO/Níl (2017)

Polling took place on Tuesday 21/03/17 9am to 5pm on Thursday 23/03/17.

Polling and Counting was carried out by PRSTV.

Quorum: 1680
Total Poll: 1854

Yes: 1731
No: 123

Therefore, this referendum has passed.

'That DCU Students' Union supports the reunification of the island of Ireland and calls on the State to hold a national referendum on the question of such reunification.'
(2018)

Polling took place on Wednesday 07/03/18 1pm to 1pm on Friday 09/03/20.

Polling and Counting was carried out by PRSTV.

Results

Quorum: 1560
Total Poll: 1967

Yes: 1494
No: 473

Therefore, this referendum has passed.

Do you, the undersigned, support the statement that Dublin City University should promote sustainability across all campuses by working towards the elimination of single-use plastics, including disposable cutlery, cups, bottles, bag, straws and packaging.' (2018)

Polling took place on Wednesday 07/03/18 1pm to 1pm on Friday 09/03/20.

Polling and Counting was carried out by PRSTV.

Results

Quorum: 1560
Total Poll: 1953

Yes: 1843
No: 110

Therefore, this referendum has passed.

Do you think DCUSU should adopt a stance in active solidarity with Palestine by aligning the Union with the Palestinian call for BDS (Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions)? (2019)

Polling took place on Tuesday 05/03/19 10am to 3pm on Thursday 07/03/19.
Polling and Counting was carried out by PRSTV.

Total Valid Poll: 1,764
Quorum: 1,695
Yes/Tá: 1,425
No/Níl: 339

Therefore, this referendum has passed.

Do you think DCUSU should actively support and campaign for the decriminalisation of the possession of drugs for personal consumption for adults aged 18 and over in Ireland? (2019)

Polling took place on Tuesday 05/03/19 10am to 3pm on Thursday 07/03/19.
Polling and Counting was carried out by PRSTV.

Total Valid Poll: 1,590
Yes/Tá: 1,064
No/Níl: 526

As this referendum has not reached quorum, it has not been deemed valid.

Do you wish for DCUSU to work with the University to introduce smoke-free zones on campus? (2019)

Polling took place on Monday 08/04/19 7am to 9pm on Tuesday 09/04/19.

Polling and Counting was carried out by PRSTV.

Quorum: 1,695

Total Valid Poll: 1,784

Yes/Tá: 1,224

No/Níl: 560

Therefore, this referendum has passed.

Should the Students' Union adopt the proposed new constitution? (2020)

Polling took place on Wednesday 04/03/20 7am to 9pm on Thursday 05/03/20.

Polling and Counting was carried out by PRSTV.

Total Valid Poll 1,862

Yes 1,610

No 252

This referendum has passed

Should Dublin City University Students' Union remain affiliated to the Union of Students in Ireland ? (2020)

Polling took place on Wednesday 04/03/20 7am to 9pm on Thursday 05/03/20.

Polling and Counting was carried out by PRSTV.

Total Valid Poll 1,874

Yes 1,656

No 218

This referendum has passed
