Title	Eliminating Printing Costs
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1. Background Information:

1.1. UK/EU Undergraduate students pay £9250 annually in fees to attend university.

1.2. At Bournemouth University this fee does not cover additional course costs.

1.3. Bournemouth University estimates that it will cost between £210 and £630 per year for additional course costs, including printing.

1.4. It costs 3p to print a single page of black and white and 18p for a colour page

2. Current Position:

2.1. Printing is a necessary part of some courses.

2.2. The University and Union does not provide free printing or any free printing credit.

2.3. This results in students having to pay out of pocket to complete necessary parts of their courses.

2.4. Universities such as Aston, Hull and Nottingham Trent provide either free printing, or provide a certain amount of free printing credits to students each year and therefore it could be possible for Bournemouth University to do so as well.

3. Actions:

3.1.The Union should research the costs of printing during a students time at Bournemouth University.

3.2. The Union should lobby the University to ensure that efforts are made to make sure that work can be completed digitally and without the need for printing. Thus benefitting students and the environment.

3.3. The Union should lobby the university to ensure that where students are required to print material as compulsory part of their course, this cost should be subsidised by the university. This should be done through either eliminating printing charges, or by providing a printing stipend for every student.

3.4. The Union should look into options for providing free printing to students as part of their facilities.