We stand in opposition to the current UK border regime, which allocates resources and opportunity on the basis of arbitrary characteristics such as place of birth. Universities should be open to all, but they currently function as an extension of the hostile environment. We want unis to stand up for the rights of their students and staff. Universities must comply with Home Office regulations to maintain their sponsor licence, but their fear of losing out on substantial income has made them over-comply.

We demand:

1. Education for all
2. Stop surveillance
3. No detention, no deportation

We reject the validity of hostile environment policies and fight for abolition.

In the meantime... According to the Home Office’s regulations unis can take a number of positive steps and remain compliant.
Access to education

Universities **must**
- Investigate students’ leave to remain and ensure they have permission to study
- Ensure valid documents
- BRP

Unis **do not** have to...
- Increase academic or financial hurdles to admittance based on immigration status
- Apply more stringent entry criteria to "international" students

Unis **can**
- Provide bursaries, subsidies, scholarships, and fee amnesties
- Lower tuition fees and academic requirements for "int’l" students
- Provide support for increased financial and pastoral needs that stem from insecure immigration status

Especially those with temporary leave to remain
Detention & Deportation

Unis must act honestly and ensure they DO NOT "pose a threat to immigration control".

But DO NOT have to:
- Actively invite immigration control onto campus
- Show support for hostile environment policies
- Immediately withdraw sponsorship from students under investigation

Unis can:
- Provide administrative, legal, and pastoral support to students
- Denounce the hostile environment
- Lobby for change
- Train staff to prioritise student welfare above home office compliance
**Surveillance**

**But unis must monitor A Students’ engagement**

**DO NOT**

- Investigate those for whom it has no suspicion; or seek reasons to be suspicious
- Contact Home Office before discussing with student
- Record or report info regarding political or organising or activism
- Decide which study elements constitute engagement, and the level of engagement required
- Decide what to defend as an authorised absence

**unis must...**

- Collect info on all students they are sponsoring and report them if they have reason to believe they are breaching conditions of their permission
- Use faceless automated data collection methods that are outsourced to private companies
- Discuss potential infractions with students before reporting to UKVI and provide support to remedy

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