

# POLICY PROPOSAL

Policy Title:	Trans* Participation in Sport	Date Policy Proposed:	05/05/15
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## Union Notes:

1. Though many clubs are now part of Active Anglia, Anglia Ruskin Students' Union still supports clubs across campuses.
2. Active Anglia looks after competitive sports clubs that compete in BUCS and the Students Union takes care of all recreational sports clubs.
3. "Trans\*" is an umbrella term referring to many non-cisnormative identities.

## Union Believes:

1. All sports should allow and actively encourage the participation of trans\* students in sports teams.
2. While there was policy in place last year to make students that identify as trans\* aware that they are allowed and encouraged to join sports teams, it is an important topic that should be reviewed and talked about regularly.
3. Sport is an excellent way to improve fitness and get active and to make friends and boost confidence.
4. LGBT+ people are a protected minority by the NUS and should not be discriminated against when it comes to participating in sport, or discriminated against at all for that matter.
5. Despite much resistance, trans\* people have competed successfully in professional sport; this is a crucial step towards trans\* equality.
6. Anglia Ruskin University and the Students' Union is known for being a diverse and accepting university and by putting this policy in place it would be further deserving of that reputation.
7. Other universities, such as the University of Derby already have a similar model in place which encourages transgender students to join their sports teams and live an active lifestyle, the same as any other student.
8. Active Anglia are aware of the policy from the previous year, and are committed to helping promoting equality within all clubs that are looked after by them.

## Union Resolves:

1. To make sure all sports teams are aware that they should expressly include trans\* students in sport with the Students' Union and Active Anglia.
2. To provide readily accessible information on trans\* participation in sport within the Students' Union.
3. To ensure our sports teams actively include trans\* students in sport.
4. To actively review policy to ensure trans\* rights within sport is continuously upheld.