

In the next weeks the government will announce their plans for fees. They want some form of fees in by September 2010. We can't let them get away with it!

### No to Fees in any Form - Stop the cuts!

Fees would have devastating impacts on many families who will not be able to send their children to college. Loans or graduate taxes are being used in other countries including the UK, where students build up £12,500 a year in debt on average and are often left with £30,000 of debt by the time they graduate. Young people did not create the economic crisis and shouldn't have to pay for it via the government's destruction of the education system.

### Vote No Fees (Option 4) & Give NO vote to the other options

This plebiscite on Thursday, arose from a proposal by the chairperson of UL Fianna Fail to make us vote on what kind of fees we want – like turkeys voting for Christmas. Student opposition has succeeded in getting the 'no fees' option 4 included – so make sure to make give that option your 'number 1' vote.

F.E.E. is also advocating that students should not give any vote, even a second preference, to the other pro-fees options. A rejection of all forms of fees will send the clearest message to the government. It also tells the SU and incoming officers that they must help to build a mass movement against all forms of fees.

### Step up the struggle – Tax the rich to fund free education

Protests so far have forced the government to back away from full fees for those already enrolled. Now we must step up the movement, stop increases in registration fees, cuts in education and completely defeat fees. We must link with school students, staff and parents to defeat fees, and under-funding of education as a whole.

The money that is needed should be raised through a progressive central taxation system which makes the rich pay more in taxes. F.E.E. will continue to campaign nationally against fees and for genuinely free education

**If you want to help us and get involved contact us at [ulightfees@gmail.com](mailto:ulightfees@gmail.com)**

**VOTE.**  
Fees Plebiscite  
On Thursday



**VOTE  
OPTION  
# 4**

**"EXCHEQUER  
FUNDED"**

**& REJECT  
ALL OTHERS**

On Thursday, as well as SU elections, there's a plebiscite on fees - your chance to send a clear anti-fees message by voting Option 4, "I am opposed to alternatives to exchequer-funded third level tuition fees" & giving no vote to any of the other options.

They deserve NO support. Option 1 (loan system) & 2 (graduate tax) are fees through the back door and will deny many access to education. Option 3 (a 'levy' on all workers) is a regressive tax, supporting it wouldn't appease this pro-fees government but would divide students from anti-fees staff and workers.

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