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Subject Re: Seanad Reform

Dear Seanad Reform Working Group,

As a graduate of the University of Limerick, I would like to propose that we have Graduates in our Seanad that express the practical needs of our Universities and Communities. Currently, we have ongoing Mental Health and Addiction problems which need to be addressed urgently. This requires a multidisciplinary approach in helping students to obtain their full potential.

Mature Students require extra supports with regard to child care and Our International Erasmus Programmes does not include married students with children in their Policies at European Level. The Higher Education Authority does not provide financial support for Accomodation in Our Erasmus Programmes which would benefit the inclusion of marginalised students who will never receive this kind of experience.

A suggestion? A Bursary would benefit all students and I hope you will take my personal reflections and experiences on board.

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