

## Student Charter

2022 - 2023

Union Theological College welcomes students from all backgrounds and perspectives to study Christian theology in a community of faith and scholarship. At Union College, we are committed to:

Preparing students to make effective and positive contributions in our society and accross the world.

Equipping students for effective ministry within the Presbyterian Church in Ireland.

Providing research-informed teaching and innovative approaches to learning and assessment.

## Student Undertakings

- Treat the staff, faculty, and fellow students with respect, dignity and courtesy
- Attend induction events and meetings with tutors
- Respond promptly to communication
- Prepare for, and participate in, timetabled classes and obtain agreement in advance of any essential absences
- Take responsibility for managing their own learning, seeking advice and guidance as required
- Use assessment as a tool for learning and engagement, upholding the highest standards of academic integrity
- Submit work by deadlines and reflect upon feedback
- Make prompt payment of any relevant fees
- Engage in student representative systems and work in the evaluation of learning, assessment and student experience to improve the quality of learning and teaching
- Communicate potential problems and difficulties with the hope they may be resolved informally in the first instance
- Respect our physical environment and spiritual ethos.

## College Undertakings

- Encourage student, faculty and staff to treat one another with respect, dignity and courtesy
- Provide high standards of research-informed teaching
- Provide students with support, advice and guidance
- Design and administer fair, transparent, and varied assessments
- Facilitate learning with high-class library facilities, a virtual learning environment and other necessary resources
- Facilitate the needs of students for recreation and social interaction in the dining room and common room
- Provide access to opportunities to enhance personal, spiritual and ministerial development
- Provide student support via the personal tutor scheme
- Appoint, support and develop high-quality faculty and staff
- Facilitate student participation in the management of programmes
- Maintain an open and accessible complaints system.

All students will be given a timetable, programme specification & module outlines and will receive timely, constructive feedback on submitted work. Information will be provided on complaints & appeals procedures, course fees and payment options.