

DURHAM CONSIDERS MOTTO CHANGE

University Officials are said to be considering changing the University motto from the current 'Fundamenta eius super montibus sanctis', which means 'fundamentally superior to the locals'. The change, if approved, will come in time for the 2008 intake.



The foremost option being considered is 'Non Oxon Est', according to a highly placed source that cannot be named for legal reasons. The source noted 'The change has actually been a long time coming. The new motto will reflect the true quality of the students at Durham.'

The proposed motto has had a mixed reception from Durham students. Mr B Sherman, Grey College, objects to the motto being in Latin, raising the astute objection 'What the fuck does that mean?'

Other mottos being considered are 'Come for the education, stay for the simmering antagonism with the indigenous population', 'No darkies', or simply 'Number Three'.

Luke Blackburn

DURHAM GRIPPED BY POMME DE TERREUR

Unrest among students of Durham University has come to light as this year's crop of freshers have threatened to violently rebel against the potato-laden college food regime. "I can't handle it anymore," said Hild Bede fresher Edward Maris-Piper, "before university, my body was 80% water. Now it's 80% potato. I'm literally a potato shape."

"Everyday I have to choose between roast potatoes, chips, potato wedges, sautéed potato, potato cubes, baked potatoes, reconstituted potato carrot-shapes, and potato flavoured ice cream. And that's for breakfast. I want to die."

Charlotte Spencer-Smith

DURHAM ROCKS FASHION

This season, designers from around the world have taken their cue from Durham students, peppering catwalks in London, Paris and Milan with haute couture sportswear and gilets. Hordes of Durham students breathed a sigh of contentment as designers revealed their winter ranges of oversized personalised rugby shirts, quip-adorned t-shirts and strange hats.

British top model Agate Leyn has even been spotted in east London

sporting a hoody adorned with the word "Aggy," causing a massive boom in Fruit of the Loom sales. One student said 'I am so relieved that stash is in – it's sooo flattering.'

Cordelia Graham

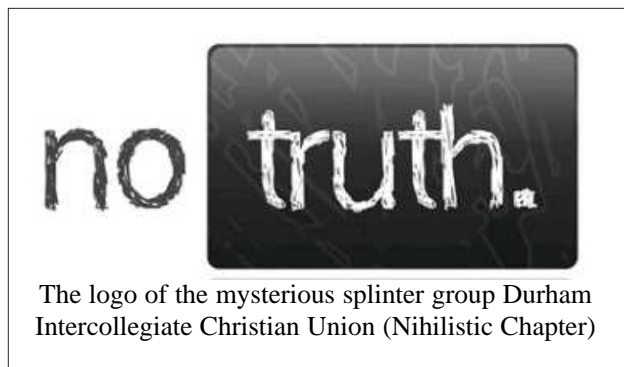
NO SEX PLEASE, WE'RE STUDENTS

A report released last month revealed that a worrying number of Durham undergraduates are becoming increasingly frustrated by the overload of sexual expression being thrust into their youthful faces.

"I can't cope with this anymore," mutters Tom Smith, a first year biology student. "I grew up on a farm, for Christ's sake!" After studying female anatomy all day with no opportunity to practice non-theoretical examination, Tom and his fellow students are bombarded with sexual health stalls and leaflets at their canteen. They come home to find their Proctor handing out condoms in the corridors, and the atmosphere in Loveshack Wednesdays is driving them nuts.

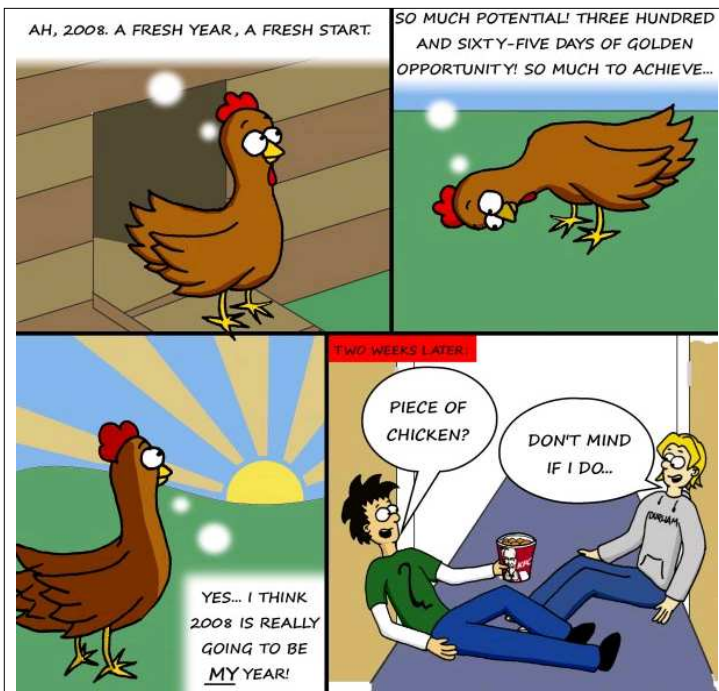
"The drive to educate us is incessant," groans Tom. "And I'm only aware of one thing: I'm not getting any."

Rachael Revesz



Poetry Corner

L. Ron Hubbard
 Went to the cupboard,
 To get him some Thetan juice.
 Inside Mr Cruise,
 Abstaining from booze,
 Said: "This Xenu chap's rather obtuse".



Dan Dyer