

Learning, Quality & Regulations Committee

1. Constitution

- 1.1 The [Academic Council](#) has established a Committee known as the Learning, Quality & Regulations Committee (LQ&R), which reports to the Student Success Board (SS).

2. Scope

- 2.1 LQ&R is responsible for supporting SS in the implementation of the University's Student Success sub-strategy.
- 2.2 It develops and reviews regulations, policies, procedures and good practice related to educational quality and standards (except where these are delegated to other Boards covering Partnerships, Programmes and Research), ensuring that these comply with regulatory requirements and sector good practice;
- 2.3. It assists SS in overseeing the quality and standards of educational provision in Faculties and makes recommendations following its consideration of reports, reviews and surveys; and
- 2.4 It advises SS as to whether the University is achieving the requirements of external quality assurance bodies such as the Office for Students, the Quality Assurance Agency and Professional, Statutory and Regulatory Bodies.

3. Membership

- 3.1 The membership shall be as follows:

Ex Officio

- Pro Vice-Chancellor (Education) (*Chair*)
- Head of Academic and Learning Enhancement (*Vice-chair*)
- Assistant Director of Student and Academic Services (Registry)
- General Counsel

Other Members

- 2 x Associate Deans (Student Success)
 - Representative of Planning and Statistics
 - A student representative nominated by the Students' Union
- 3.2 The Associate Deans (Student Success) shall be appointed to the Committee by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor and shall serve terms of one year in rotation with the other Associate Deans (Student Success). The student representative will be appointed by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor annually for one year.

4. Attendance at meetings

- 4.1 At the discretion of the Chair, other staff who are not members of the Committee may be invited to attend on an ad hoc basis for specific items where their attendance can inform and support the Committee.

5. Delegated Authority

The Committee is authorised by the Academic Council to approve:

- 5.1 Action Plans to improve performance in the areas covered by the Committee's remit
- 5.2 External examiners in the Faculties presented by Faculty Student Success Committees (FSS);
- 5.4 Arrangements for annual and risk based programme reviews;
- 5.4. Arrangements for Internal student surveys;
- 5.5 Regularly review the management of academic risk in areas of the Committee's remit. Approve action plans to take advantage of opportunities, mitigate risk and improve performance;
- 5.6 Procedures within the Committee's remit ensuring that these comply with regulatory requirements and sector good practice; and
- 5.7 Good practice exemplars and communication to promote awareness and engagement in the areas within the Committee's remit.

6. Other Duties

The other duties of the Committee shall be to:

- 6.1 Assist SS in implementing the University's sub-strategy for student success. Champion and promote reflection, excellence and innovation across all areas covered by the sub-strategy;
- 6.2 Monitor implementation of the sub-strategy in Faculties including reviewing Faculty reports, programme reviews, student surveys, key performance indicators and metrics used by external agencies e.g., OfS. Make recommendations to SS.
- 6.3 Consider FSS reports on the annual and risk based programme review processes carried out and the key themes emerging and actions planned. Ensure that the action plan accords with the Student Success sub-strategy and follow up issues with themes and programmes with FSS. LQR will report to SS on the process, themes and actions;

- 6.4 Consider reports from FSS on the themes and issues arising from external examiners' reports and action plans. Receive assurance from University Quality Assurance that the Boards met. Report to SS on University wide issues, themes and actions;
- 6.5 Review student survey results and make recommendations to SS;
- 6.6 Develop and review regulations and policies within the Committee's remit ensuring that there is compliance with academic quality assurance requirements alongside a business like approach. Make recommendations for SS to approve;
- 6.7 Consider proposed derogations to regulations and policies within the Committee's remit and make recommendations for SS to approve
- 6.8 Advise SS as to whether the University is achieving the requirements of external quality assurance bodies such as the Office for Students, the Quality Assurance Agency and Professional, Statutory and Regulatory Bodies;
- 6.9 Regularly scan the Higher Education sector and other organisations for best practice and innovation in areas within the Committee's remit ,which are worth considering for implementation;
- 6.10 Assist SS in arrangements for any external reviews of educational quality and standards and any resulting actions to be taken; and
- 6.11 Ensure active consideration of equality, diversity, inclusion and sustainability in the conduct of the Committee's business.

7. Standing Orders

- 7.1 The Committee must adhere to the [Standing Orders for Academic and Executive Committees](#).

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