

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN

QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Quality Assurance Committee will be held on **Tuesday 14 March 2023** at **2.05pm** via Microsoft Teams.

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AGENDA

FOR DISCUSSION

1. **Approval of the Minute of the Previous Meeting**
 - (i) **14 December 2022** (QAC/140323/001a)
 - (ii) **25 January 2023** (QAC/140323/001b)

2. **Matters Arising and Action Log** (QAC/140323/002)

3. **Business from the Academic Policy and Regulations Group**

Please note: these items will be discussed by the APRG on 8 March and as such, there may be revisions to the documents to follow.

 - (i) **External Examining Academic Review: Recommendations** (QAC/140323/003)

Members of the Committee are invited to **discuss** and **approve** the recommendations from the External Examining Academic Review Group.

4. **Matters of Programme and Curriculum Management**
 - (i) **Reflections on Curriculum Management Sessions** (Oral Item)

Members of the Committee are invited to **discuss** their reflections on the Curriculum Management Sessions.

 - (ii) **New Inclusive Strand to the French Programmes Pilot** (QAC/140322/004)

Members of the Committee are invited to **approve** the proposals for a New Inclusive Strand to the French Programmes.

 - (iii) **Masters by Research (MRes) Programme Structures** (QAC/140323/005)

Members of the Committee are invited to **discuss** the Master's by Research (MRes) programmes structure and **agree** a suggested approach.

5. **Academic Integrity Update / Code of Practice on Student Discipline (Academic)**

(to follow, QAC/140323/006)

Members of the Committee are invited to **discuss** and **approve** the academic integrity update and revisions to the Code of Practice on Student Discipline (Academic).

6. Degree Regulations

- (i) Resolution for Changes to Various Degrees (QAC/140323/007)
- ~~(ii) Resolution for Regulations for the Award of Undergraduate Integrated Master's Degrees (to follow, QAC/140323/008)~~

Members of the Committee are invited to **discuss** and **approve** the Resolution for Changes to Various Degrees and the Resolution for Regulations for the Award of Undergraduate Integrated Master's Degrees, which has been prepared following suggested amends to the University regulations.

7. Business School Internal Teaching Review Report (QAC/140322/009)

Members of the Committee are invited to **approve** the Business School Internal Teaching Review Report.

8. Annual Monitoring (2021/22)

- (i) Undergraduate External Examiner Reports Summary 2021/22 (QAC/140323/010)
- (ii) Postgraduate Taught Annual Programme Reviews Summary 2021/22 (QAC/140323/011)
- (iii) Postgraduate Taught External Examiner Reports Summary 2021/22 (QAC/140323/012)

Members of the Committee are invited to **discuss** the summary reports in respect of External Examiner Reports and Annual Programme Reviews for Undergraduate and Postgraduate Taught for 2021/22.

9. Future Academic Year Structure (to follow, QAC/140323/013)

Members of the Committee are invited to **discuss** the proposals in relation to the Academic Year Structure from 2024/25.

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Wednesday 10 May 2023 at 2:05pm, via Microsoft Teams.

Any member of the Committee wishing an item for routine approval or for information to be brought forward for discussion may ask at the meeting for that to be done. Any such item will be taken after item 1.

Declaration of interests: Any member and individual in attendance (including Officers) who has a clear interest in a matter on the agenda should declare that interest at the relevant meeting, whether or not that interest is already recorded in the Registry of Member's interests.

FOR ROUTINE APPROVAL

11.1 Sponsor Approval Form (QAC/140323/014)

Members of the Committee are invited to **approve**, by routine approval, the Sponsor Approval Form, as referred to the Committee by the International Partnerships Committee and International Advisory Group. This form is for Overseas Government Agencies and

International Sponsors who intend to fund international students to come and study Undergraduate, Postgraduate Taught or Research programmes.

FOR INFORMATION

12.1 Report from the Academic Policy and Regulations Group *(QAC/140323/015)*

Members of the Committee are invited to **note** the report from the Academic Policy and Regulations Group (APRG).

12.2 Appeals and Complaints Data 2021/22 *(QAC/140323/016)*

Members of the Committee are invited to **note** that the student population number has been updated within the Appeals and Complaints Data for 2021/22 and two previous years, recognising previous years had not included TNE or Online students.

12.3 Meeting of Students' Progress Committee Convenors

Members of the Committee are invited to **note** that a meeting of the SPC Convenors will take place on 15 March 2023 in order to discuss a range of matters, including the previous Academic Year summer progression exercise and preparations for the 2023 summer progression exercise.

12.4 British Psychological Society Re-accreditation *(QAC/140323/017)*

Members of the Committee are invited to **note** the reaccreditation for the School of Psychology from the British Psychological Society.

12.5 Summer Graduations 2023 *(QAC/140323/018)*

Members of the Committee are invited to **note** the Summer Graduations Schedule for 2023 which was approved by Circulation.