

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEH

QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMITTEE

PROFESSIONAL, STATUTORY AND REGULATORY BODIES (PSRBs)

Record of Interaction with the University (by School)

The SFC have now asked that the University provide details of the University's PSRB review schedule for the next six years. Each School was asked to return:

- (i) Notification of all PSRBs associated with the School;
- (ii) Which degree programme(s) each PSRB regulates;
- (iii) When the most recent review was undertaken (please also provide the most up to date report received if available);
- (iv) When the next review is expected to be undertaken (please provide details of all expected reviews).

School	Accrediting Body (or Bodies)	Accredited Programme(s)	Review Last Undertaken	Review Next Expected
Biological Sciences	Royal Society of Biology	BSc Environmental Science BSc Conservation Biology BSc Marine Biology BSc Zoology BSc Biology BSc Animal Behaviour BSc Plant and Soil Science BSc Biological Sciences BSc Ecology	2019	Review every 5 years, expected 2024 – School will advise when date confirmed Annual Report due 30 th June 2023 (Annual update report approved June 2022)
	Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment	BSc Environmental Science MSc Environmental Science MSc Environmental Management	2022	IEMA re-accreditation due May 2025 IEMA annual review completed May 2023
Business	Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland (ICAS)	Degree of Master of Arts in Accountancy (all variants)	2019 Outcome of 2019 review advised in Feb 2021	2024
	Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA)	Degree of Master of Arts in Accountancy (all variants)	2016	Informed in April 2018 that accreditation has been extended indefinitely, subject to no major changes to the curriculum.

	Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA)	Degree of Master of Arts in Accountancy (Single and Designated) Accountancy-Finance joint Honours Degree MSc in Accounting and Finance	2016 for undergraduate 2020 for MSc in Accounting and Finance	2024
	Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS)	Degree of Master of Arts in Real Estate (all variants) Postgraduate Taught Programmes in Real Estate	2023	Renewed. Reaccreditation in 2027 (estimated December)
	Energy Institute	MBA Energy Management MSc Petroleum, Energy Economics and Finance	2018	Accredited programmes withdrawn. Seeking accreditation for new programme, MSc Energy Economics and Finance (online and on campus versions) in 2024.
	Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM)	MSc Digital Marketing Leadership MSc Marketing Management	2018	Rolling – To be advised by CIM
	Chartered Management Institute (CMI)	Executive MBA (London) (CMI Level 7 Diploma) MBA (on-campus) (CMI Level 7 Diploma) MSc International Business Management (Level 7 Certificate only) Executive MBA (Shanghai) (CMI Level 7)	2021	N.B EMBA London programme discontinued – Nov 22 EMBA Shanghai to be discontinued in 2024/2025 Rolling – QA Visit passed with some actions required on our part. Deadline for these actions February 2024.
	Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB)		2020	Asked to withdraw and re-apply within 3 years. In progress. Withdrawal request and letter sent to Clerk to QAC. Please note that we are still members even if we are not yet accredited.
	EQUIS	School-level	2023	Accreditation achieved in December 2023 for 3 years. Progress report due annually, till reaccreditation visit in/around December 2026

	Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD)	MSC International Human Resource Management (Aberdeen and Qatar)		Accreditation achieved. Rolling. Confirmation letter attached.
Education	AdvanceHE	Higher Education Teaching and Learning	May 2022	Reaccreditation awarded May 1 st 2022 for a period of 4 years. Revised reaccreditation date to comply with revised AdvanceHE Professional Standards Framework. Submitted January 2024; outcome expected 8 th March 2024.
	COSCA/BACP	Counselling Skills	June 2017	We have now moved to our own skills course and no longer use COSCA skills. Paperwork is being prepared to get the counselling skills new courses validated by BACP. We are no longer seeking COSCA accreditation of either the planned online skills or on-campus skills courses.
	COSCA	Person Centred Counselling Diploma Level	January 2021	Successful revalidation. Full revalidation until 1/3/2026.
	COSCA	Specialist certificate in Counselling for Children Young People.	Conditional Initial Validation will run from 01/12/2023 to 01/12/2028.	Application under consideration for full validation – should be confirmed in Feb 2024
	BACP	MSc/MPhil/DCouns	Planned application summer 2024	Programme being approved by UoA. Following this we will work on new accreditation. May also consider BPS qualification in Counselling Psychology for 25/26 entry.
	GTCS (General Teaching Council Scotland)	Mindfulness	October 2020	Professional Recognition Accreditation awarded in for Mindfulness programme in October 2020 for 5 years. Next review in 2025
	GTCS (General Teaching Council Scotland)	TQFE	December 2018	TQFE programme had a successful reaccreditation in December 2018. Next reaccreditation will be in 6 years time (2024). We are currently in discussions with GTC Scotland/Scottish Gov re who will

				<p>undertake the accreditation as there is ambiguity in legislation and custom and practice.</p> <p>At present we are asking for a clarification that the current accreditation is extended to the end of the 2024-25 academic session.</p>
	GTCS (General Teaching Council Scotland)	iPGDE	August 2019	<p>iPGDE programme had a successful reaccreditation in August 2019. Agreed with GTCS, a 3 year accreditation period would commence from Sept 2020. Next reaccreditation will be in 2023.</p> <p>The programme is still accredited. However the programme is currently sisted/not running. School informed that not running 2023.</p> <p>We are currently appraising this course to amend, possibly without TQ, therefore no accreditation required.</p>
	GTCS (General Teaching Council Scotland)	MA (Education))/PGDE Primary/PGDE Secondary/Online PGDE	April 2019	<p>MA Education/PGDE Primary/PGDE Secondary had a successful reaccreditation in April 2019. Next reaccreditation will be in 6 years time. DLITE PGDE Primary and Secondary are no longer running.</p> <p>Likely to be held in February 2025 – TBC with GTCS</p>
	SCEL (Scottish College Educational Leadership)	PG Cert Into Headship	March 2021	<p>Accreditation successful in March 2021. Next reaccreditation will be in 5 years time.</p> <p>Programme on hold waiting new accreditation, planned to resume as of 2024-25.</p>

	SSSC (Scottish Social Services Council)	BA Childhood Practice	June 2021	5 year review scheduled for 24 th June 2021 complete. Date of next review 25 th June 2026.
Engineering	JBM (Joint Board of Moderators)	MEng Civil Engineering MEng Civil and Environmental Engineering MEng Civil and Structural Engineering MEng Civil Engineering with Management MEng Civil Engineering with Subsea Technology BEng (Hons) Civil Engineering BEng (Hons) Civil and Environmental Engineering BEng (Hons) Civil and Structural Engineering MSc Subsea Engineering (FT, PT, DL)	Feb 2020	Reaccreditation in progress. PSRB visit expected Q1 2025.
	IChemE (Institution of Chemical Engineers)	MEng Chemical Engineering BEng (Hons) Chemical Engineering MSc Advanced Chemical Engineering MSc Process Safety	Feb 2020	Reaccreditation in progress. PSRB visit expected Q1 2025. School will liaise with IChemE to align accreditations for UG and PGT programmes, seeking a 1 year extension to PGT or a desktop review.
	IMarEST (Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology)	MSc Subsea Engineering (FT, PT, DL) MSc Renewable Energy Engineering (FT) MSc Safety and Reliability Engineering for Oil and Gas (FT, PT, DL) MSc Decommissioning MSc Offshore Engineering MSc Global Subsea	July 2020	Reaccreditation in progress. PSRB expected in Q1 2025.
	EI (Energy Institute)	MEng Petroleum Engineering BEng (Hons) Petroleum Engineering MSc Petroleum Engineering MSc Renewable Energy Engineering MSc Decommissioning MSc Offshore Engineering MSc Oil & Gas Engineering MSc Safety and Reliability Engineering MSc Safety and Reliability for Oil & Gas	Feb 2020	Reaccreditation in progress. PSRB visit expected in Q1 2025

		MSc Subsea Engineering MSc Global Subsea		
	IMEchE (Institution of Mechanical Engineers)	MEng Mechanical Engineering MEng Mechanical Engineering with Management MEng Mechanical and Electrical Engineering MEng Mechanical Engineering with Subsea Technology BEng (Hons) Mechanical Engineering BEng (Hons) Mechanical and Electrical Engineering BEng (Hons) Mechanical with Oil and Gas Engineering MEng Petroleum Engineering BEng (Hons) Petroleum Engineering MSc Subsea Engineering (FT, PT, DL) MSc Renewable Energy Engineering (FT) MSc Safety and Reliability Engineering for Oil and Gas (FT, PT, DL) MSc Oil and Gas Engineering (FT) MSc Petroleum Engineering (FT)	Feb 2020	Reaccreditation in progress. PSRB visit expected Q1 2025.
	IET (Institution of Engineering and Technology)	MEng Electrical and Electronic Engineering MEng Electrical and Electronic Engineering with Renewable Energy BEng (Hons) Electrical and Electronic Engineering MEng Mechanical and Electrical Engineering BEng (Hons) Mechanical and Electrical Engineering MSc Renewable Energy Engineering (FT) MEng Electronic with Software BEng Electronic with Software	June 2020	Reaccreditation in progress. PSRB visit expected Q1 2025.
	APM (Association for Project Management)	MSc Project Management (PT, DL)	Feb 2020	Accreditation certified until 11-Nov 2024 as per APM correspondence on 07-Mar 2023.

Geosciences	Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS)	Degree of Master of Land Economy	01/03/23 RICS re-accreditation visit took place. Accreditation approved. RICS aim for a 5 year cycle which puts the MLE on the re-accreditation list for early 2028.	2027/28
	The Geological Society	BSc (Hons) Geology & Petroleum Geology	Summer 2014	This degree is no longer available for new entrants and will cease to exist, therefore cannot be re-accredited. Students currently on the degree will benefit from accreditation, that continues for another year.
	Royal Geographical Society	BSc Geography	18.12.2017	Discussions ongoing as to whether accreditation will be renewed.
	Royal Geographical Society	MA Geography	18.12.2017	Discussions ongoing as to whether accreditation will be renewed.
	Chartered Institute for Archaeologists	BSc Archaeology	New Accreditation (2021) 25 June	2026
	Chartered Institute for Archaeologists	MA Archaeology	New Accreditation (2021) 25 June	2026
Law	The Law Society of Scotland	All LLB programmes and for the DPLP.	2021	Reporting will continue to take place on an annual basis. A report for 2022/23 was submitted in February 2023. Periodic re-accreditation is synchronised with the University ITR process
	SRA (England) The Northern Irish Regulator	LLB with English Law (and variant English Law programmes).		Informed annually of updates/changes
	CI Arb	LLM Dispute Resolution	2016	Extension of Accreditation due June 2023 for Mediation. Extension of Accreditation due in July 2024 for Arbitration.
Medicine, Medical Sciences and Nutrition	General Dental Council (GDC)	Degree of Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS)	Institute provided an Annual Monitoring submission to the GDC in November 2022. Following a meeting with the GDC QA Team in February 2023, to	Annual Monitoring submissions will continue, next in November 2023. Potential for an in-person inspection to take place in either 23/24 or 24/25. This

			discuss the submission, confirmation received that they were satisfied with the information provided. No requirement to complete an in person visit.	is part of the normal 5-year cycle of these in-person panel visits.
	General Dental Council (GDC)	Dip HE in Dental Technology Programme begins in September 2018.	<p>Inspection undertaken in Nov 2021 and May 2022. Report submitted to the Institute in late 2023.</p> <p>GDC panel confirmed the programme was in a position to graduate students who can apply for GDC registration.</p> <p>Report provided to School TLC for review and monitoring.</p>	<p>Follow up panel visit taking place in May 2023. This is a visit to review progress against specific sections and actions from 2022 visit: awaiting the report from the GDC for the DipHE Dental Technology visit back in May. The GDC said the report would follow in a few weeks so expected shortly.</p> <p>Potential for an in-person inspection to take place in either 23/24 or 24/25. This would reflect past frequency of visits in 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023.</p>
	General Medical Council (GMC)	<p>MBChB</p> <p>Masters in Physician Associate Studies</p>	<p>December 2022 submission of Self-Assessment Questionnaire and on-line QA meeting with GMC Feb 2023.</p> <p>Self-Assessment Questionnaire submitted March 2023</p>	<p>Annual SAQ to be submitted by end of December 2023.</p> <p>At present PA programmes are in pre-registration engagement with the GMC and more detailed timelines for regulation visits are not available at this time.</p> <p>No formal reports in for medicine or the PA programme – GMC comments available on SAQs but these are big spreadsheets.</p>

	Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC)	Independent and Supplementary Nurse Prescribing V300 – Level 11 (SCQF) This is part of the Masters in Advanced Clinical Practice.	Annual Report January 2023 and accepted.	Annual report due in Jan 2024
	Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC)	Approving the University of Aberdeen to deliver the independent non- medical prescribing programme.	Visit took place 31 March 2020. Approval received May 2020.	HCPC monitoring process has changed and expect to submit a portfolio of evidence in academic year 23/24. Timeframe/content not yet confirmed.
	British Psychological Society (BPS)	MSc Health Psychology	June 2018 With update in Aug 2020	Next visit 2023/24
	Association for Nutrition	MSc in Human Nutrition and MSc in Clinical Nutrition	Spring 2020	2025
	Institute of Physics and Engineering in Medicine (IPEM)	MSc Medical Physics	July 2019	September 2024
	Academy of Medical Educators	PG Cert Clinical Education	February 2023	Expected in 2026
Natural and Computing Sciences	Institute of Physics	All Physics degrees (some as “recognised”)	2014/15	Meeting held in January 2022 and successfully achieved accreditation for a further 5 years.
	British Computer Society	All CS Degrees	2019	2023/24 Accreditation achieved from September 2020 for 3 years and to be extended by a further 2 years on review. At this stage, accreditation will not be renewed for 2023 student intake, further review will take place for following years.
	Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC)	MChem/BSc Chemistry MChem/BSc Oil and Gas Chemistry MChem/BSc Environmental Chemistry	2019/20	2024/25
Psychology	British Psychological Society (BPS)	All (single, joint) Honours UG Psychology Degrees MSc in Psychological Studies	January 2015 December 2017 (Resource Review) February 2022	The BPS carried out a virtual accreditation visit in February 2022. This was delayed by a year due to the pandemic, however they continue

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*The Schools of **Divinity, History, Philosophy and Art History; Language, Literature, Music and Visual Culture; and Social Science** have confirmed there are no PSRBs associated with them.*