Quality Assurance Committee Digest

This digest provides a short summary of the outcome of the meeting of the Quality Assurance Committee held on 13 December 2023. Staff can access the full agendas and papers on the University website.

QAA Institutional Liaison Meeting
The Committee heard a summary of progress in relation to the Institutional Liaison Meeting, which is due to take place with the Quality Assurance Agency for Scotland in January 2024.

Education Data
(i) Appeals and Complaints Data 2022/23
(ii) Academic Discipline Data 2022/23
The Committee heard a summary of progress in relation to the appeals, complaints and academic discipline data, which would follow to a future QAC meeting for discussion.
(iii) Education Data Reporting Schedule
The Committee noted a paper providing the schedule of data reporting for Education committees.

Institutional Register of Staff Acting as External Examiners
The Committee approved, subject to amendment, proposals to create a central register of University staff who are acting as External Examiners at other institutions, with the aim to avoid reciprocal arrangements.

Update on UK Quality Code Development
The Committee heard an update on the UK Quality Code Development, noting the ongoing consultation. Input was sought from QAC members for an institutional response to the consultation.

Partnerships and Collaborative Provision: South China Normal University Joint Institute Update
The Committee discussed a paper providing an update on various matters pertinent to the Joint Institute at South China Normal University.

Term Dates for Academic Year 2024/25
The Committee approved a paper outlining term dates for academic year 2024/25.

QAA Quality Code Mapping
The Committee approved updates to the UK Quality Code Mapping in respect of (i) Section 4: Course Design and Development; and (ii) Section 8: Monitoring and Evaluation.

Updates from Sub-Committees or Groups
The Committee noted the updates in respect of (i) Academic Policy and Regulations Group; and (ii) Students’ Progress Committee.

External Quality Reference Points
The Committee noted the updates provided in respect of (i) the funding plan for QAA Scotland, and (ii) the Learning and Teaching Enhancement Programme projects.

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