Quality Assurance Committee Digest

This digest provides a short summary of the outcome of the meeting of the Quality Assurance Committee held on 4 October 2023. Staff can access the full agendas and papers on the University website.

Remit and Composition
The Committee approved the Remit and Composition for 2023/24.

Annual Monitoring Amends in Relation to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion, and Decolonising the Curriculum
The Committee approved the amends to annual monitoring documentation in respect of Equality, Diversity and Inclusion, and Decolonising the Curriculum.

Postgraduate Taught Resit Assessments
The Committee approved the timeline and associated principles related to the Postgraduate Taught Resit Assessments.

Education Policy and Regulations Review Schedule
The Committee approved the Education Policy and Regulations Review Schedule.

External Quality Reference Points
(i) Updates to SFC Guidance to Universities and Colleges on Quality for 2022/23 and 2023/24
(ii) Updated Tertiary Enhancement Topic Operational Guidance
The Committee considered the updates to SFC Guidance on Quality and Tertiary Enhancement Topic respectively.

Professional, Statutory and Regulatory Bodies: CIPD Accreditation (Business School)
The QAC approved the proposed approach in relation to the CIPD Accreditation for postgraduate Business School programmes.

Partnerships and Collaborative Provision
(i) Total UK Annual Report 2021/22
(ii) AFG College with the University of Aberdeen Annual Report 2021/22
The Committee approved the Total UK Annual Report and considered the AFG College Annual Report. Concerns regarding the student monitoring data were highlighted, and it was agreed that this would be reviewed before Committee approval is granted.

Shortfall of Credits on Study Abroad
The Committee approved a paper detailing a proposed approach who acquire a shortfall of credits on periods of study abroad.

Students’ Progress Committee and Fitness to Practise Committee
The Committee approved, by routine approval, the remit and compositions for:
   (i) Students’ Progress Committee;
   (ii) Students’ Progress Committee (Medicine and Dentistry);
   (iii) Fitness to Practise (Medicine and Dentistry); and
   (iv) Fitness to Practise (Education).

Updates from Sub-Committees or Reporting Committees: Academic Policy and Regulations Group (APRG)
The Committee noted the report from the Academic Policy and Regulations Group.

Matters Approved by Convenor’s Action
The Committee noted the following matters approved by Convenor’s Action:
   (i) Fitness to Practise Committee (Medicine and Dentistry) Composition
   (ii) Additional In-Absentia Graduation Date
   (iii) Student Monitoring Key Dates

QAA Quality Code
The Committee noted the following in respect of the Quality Code:

(i) Quality Code Mapping: External Expertise
(ii) Quality Code Review Schedule

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