

UNIVERSITY OF ULSTER

ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND QUALITY ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Academic Standards and Quality Enhancement Committee will be held on Thursday 22 October 2020 at **10.15 am** by **MS Teams**.

G KENDALL
ACADEMIC OFFICE

AGENDA

UNRESERVED

1 MINUTES

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 4 June 2020 (previously circulated).

2 TERMS OF REFERENCE AND MEMBERSHIP OF ASQEC

To receive the terms of reference and to note the membership for 2020/21.

Paper No ASQEC/20/17

Presenter: Professor B Murphy

3 MATTERS ARISING

Min 20.19 Two Year Part-Time Foundation Degree Task and Finish Group

Professor Murphy and Mrs McKenna to report.

Min 20.20 Deregistration Task and Finish Group

To note that a revised Deregistration Policy will be received at a future meeting of ASQEC.

Min 20.21 Committee Membership

To note that Senate approved the revised composition of the Committee with the Interim Dean of Learning Enhancement replacing the Director of CHERP.

Min 20.24 Outstanding Final Evaluation and Revalidation Documents for 2019/20

To note that Chair's action was taken to approve admission to all courses for which documentation had not been signed off by the Panel Chair by 31 July.

Min 20.29 Institutional Approval: Dongbei University of Finance and Economics (DUFE)

To note that Senate approved the proposal for an outcentre model of collaboration for teaching of two years (Levels 5 and 6) of the degrees at DUFE, using Recognised Teachers.

Min 20.33 Policy in relation to student mobiles in examination venues

To note that a paper will be received at the Committee's December meeting.

4 CHAIR'S COMMUNICATIONS

In-Module Assessment Recovery (IMAR) Pilot

To note the Learning and Teaching Committee has extended its ongoing IMAR Pilot to include postgraduate courses.

5 ACADEMIC PLANNING ADVISORY GROUP

To consider the report from the meeting of the Advisory Group held on 3 September 2020. Paper No ASQEC/20/18

Presenter: Professor B Murphy

6 COURSE APPROVAL

6.1 To consider the report on recommendations for approval from evaluation and revalidation panels since 4 June 2020. Paper No ASQEC/20/19a)

Presenter: Mr G Kendall

6.2 To consider a statement on the submission of outstanding final evaluation/revalidation documents from 2019/20. Paper No ASQEC/20/19b)

Presenter: Mr G Kendall

6.3 To note course revisions and new short-course modules approved by Faculties and the Distributed Education Board. Paper No ASQEC/20/19c)

Presenter: Professor B Murphy

6.4 Validated Provision (2020 Intake)

To receive the Schedule to Ordinance XXVIII: Recognition of Institutions. Paper No ASQEC/20/19d)

Presenter: Mr G Kendall

7 EVALUATION/REVALIDATION

To receive the annual report for 2019/20.

Paper No ASQEC/20/20

Presenter: Mr G Kendall

8 DEPARTURES AND VARIATIONS FROM THE UNIVERSITY'S REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

To consider the following proposed departures/variatioins:

8.1 Diploma in Professional Practice (DPP) Award

To consider a request from Employability and Careers to allow the DPP award for a minimum 15-week placement when combined with the 20-credit point module, Civic and Economic Recovery.

Paper No ASQEC/20/21a)

Presenter: Ms A Scanlon

8.2 BSc Hons Paramedic Science

To consider a request from the Faculty of Life and Health Sciences regarding a variation to exit award titles.

Paper No ASQEC/20/21b)

Presenter: Professor A McKillop

8.3 Specialist Nursing

To consider a request from the Faculty of Life and Health Sciences regarding a variation in regulation whereby the credit point value for Semester 2 exceeds 60.

Paper No ASQEC/20/21c)

Presenter: Professor A McKillop

8.4 BSc (Hons) Social Work

To note that Chair's action has been taken to approve a request from the Faculty Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences regarding a variation in regulation whereby Associate Students undertaking the Levels 4 and 5 of BSc (Hons) Social Work in partner Further Education colleges (Belfast Metropolitan College and South West College), have Level 5 contribute in full to the final degree classification at 30% in accordance with the University's standard algorithm rule.

Paper No ASQEC/20/21d)

8.5 Advanced Diploma in Intelligence Practice

To note that Chair's action has been taken to approve a request from the Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences to depart from the regulation for automatic progression between semesters.

Paper No ASQEC/20/21e)

8.6 MPharm (Hons)

To note that Chair's action has been taken to approve a request from the Faculty of Life and Health Sciences for three variations.

Paper No ASQEC/20/21f)

8.7 MSc Business in Technology

To note that Chair's action has been taken to approve a request from the Ulster University Business School to have different exit award titles to that of the parent award.

Paper No ASQEC/20/21g)

9 COLLABORATIVE ACTIVITY

9.1 Collaborative Partnerships Forum

To consider the report from the meeting of the Forum held on 30 September 2020.

Paper No ASQEC/20/22a)

Presenter: Ms C Reid

9.2 Affiliate College Executive Board (QAHE)

To note the report and the terms of reference and membership.

Paper No ASQEC/20/22b)

10 POSTGRADUATE TAUGHT EXPERIENCE SURVEY (PTES)

To note the report on the outcomes of the 2020 Survey.

Paper No ASQEC/20/23

11 GRADE INFLATION

To consider the United Kingdom Standing Committee for Quality Assessment (UKSCQA) publication: Principles for Effective Degree Algorithm Design.

Paper No ASQEC/20/24

Presenter: Professor B Murphy

12 EXAMINATIONS AND ASSESSMENT

12.1 Meetings of Boards of Examiners

To consider a report from Student Administration. Paper No ASQEC/20/25a)

Presenter: Dr A Moore

12.2 Plagiarism and Other Forms of Cheating Offences

To receive the annual report for 2019/20. Paper No ASQEC/20/25b)

Presenter: Mr A G Faulkner

12.3 External Examiner Nominations

To receive the annual report for 2019/20. Paper No ASQEC/20/25c)

Presenter: Mr A G Faulkner

13 CONFIRMATION OF RECOGNISED TEACHER STATUS

To receive the annual report for 2019/20. Paper No ASQEC/20/26

Presenter: Mr A G Faulkner

14 PRIZES AND AWARDS

14.1 To receive the annual report for 2019/20. Paper No ASQEC/20/27a)

Presenter: Mr A G Faulkner

14.2 To consider proposals for new and amended prizes. Paper No ASQEC/20/27b)

Presenter: Mr A G Faulkner

15 DATES OF MEETINGS

To note the dates of meetings for the remainder of 2020/21:

Thursday 3 December 2020, 2.15 pm

Thursday 11 March 2021, 10.15 am

Thursday 3 June 2021, 2.15 pm

All meetings will take place via MS Teams until further notice.

15 October 2020

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