

# Paper title: Education, Quality and Standards Committee (EQSC) Summary Report

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## Report

### *Summary of matters discussed*

The Committee:

- a) noted that Secretariat support for the Committee will now be provided by Academic Registry.
  - b) noted that the draft Ofsted inspection report had been received with an overall effectiveness grading of Good.
  - c) received annual assessment reports for 2022/23
  - d) agreed that members and standing attendees receive training on OfS B Conditions of Registration from the Head of the Academic Quality and Standards before the next scheduled meeting.
  - e) noted a draft report from the Head of Academic Quality and Standards outlining the impact of a change to a 50% pass mark for Level 7 units that contribute to undergraduate master's courses on undergraduate degree outcomes.
1. approved the exemption to the Undergraduate Assessment Regulations (UGAR).
  2. received a draft report from the Head of Academic Quality and Standards outlining the recording of marks and the calculation of Overall Course Averages (OCAs) where a student has taken both Level 7 units with a pass mark of 40 and Level 7 units with a pass mark of 50.
  3. received a report from the Head of Registry Services outlining the analysis of incidences of errors in the setting of exam papers.
    - f) approved for publication edits to Quality Assurance Code of Practice (CoP) statement QA53 Examination and Assessment Offences
    - g) approved the Institutional Quality Improvement Plan for apprenticeship courses, which included the two areas of improvement highlighted during the February Ofsted inspection.
    - h) noted a report reviewing Collaborative Provision courses managed by the Learning Partnership Office (LPO) for academic year 2022/23
    - i) noted a report outlining sector developments in Higher Education.
    - j) agreed to receive a copy of the annual report submitted by CLT to AdvanceHE as part of assuring compliance with OfS Condition of Registration B2.

## *Areas of Focus*

The Committee:

- k) discussed improving the process of archiving documentation relating to academic policy, and assessment regulations on the University website.
  - l) supported the proposed direction of travel for the Committee.
4. considered its annual programme of work for 22/23 with a view to suggesting amendments for a future iteration.
- m) queried data within quality assurance of undergraduate and postgraduate taught assessments report.
  - n) considered whether Generative AI should be included as a category of [academic] offence.
  - o) discussed the processes for education policymaking.
  - p) agreed on the importance of clear, consistent, and timely communication to students relating to the operation of two pass marks (40/50) for Level 7 units.