



Meeting: **FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
LEARNING, TEACHING AND QUALITY COMMITTEE**

Date and Time: **Wednesday 17th January 2018 2017 at 10.15**

Venue: **1WN2.4**

Present: Dr C Wilson, Associate Dean (Learning and Teaching), (Chair)
Dr A Bush, Department for Health
Mr B Davies, Students' Union President
Dr R Joiner, Department of Psychology
Dr S Moore, Department of Social and Policy Sciences
Dr S Martin, Department of Education
Prof C Martin, Department of Economics
Dr K Von Oppen, Department of Politics, Languages and International Studies

In Attendance: Miss S E Jacobs, Assistant Registrar (Secretary)
Miss E Merker, Programmes Manager (Operations)

Apologies: Dr F Bissett, Learning Partnerships Office
Mrs M Clutterbuck, Learning Partnerships Office
Miss H Liang, Taught Postgraduate Student representative
Mr James Hart, Undergraduate Student representative
Miss Charlotte Rumble, Undergraduate Student representative

ACTION

1610. MINUTES

The Committee approved the minutes of the Faculty Learning, Teaching and Quality Committee meeting held on 29th November 2017 (paper 41). There were no matters arising.

1611. CHAIR'S BUSINESS

The Chair agreed that an update on the Curriculum Development Project would be included on the agenda of the next meeting of the Committee.

1612. STUDENTS' BUSINESS

There was no student business to consider.

1613. UNIT AND PROGRAMME CHANGES

a) Department of Economics

The Committee considered proposed changes to units for implementation in 2018/19 (paper 42, viewed in CMIS). The Committee noted that the changes

were initially considered within the Department in January 2017 as a result of a TraCA process but that it had taken this long to address questions raised within the Department following this.

The Committee noted that while QA4 indicates what should constitute a minor or intermediate unit change it is not always clear how a change should be categorised. Guidance on this can be sought from the Assistant Registrar.

The Committee noted that students had been consulted via SSLC and as part of the TraCA process. The Committee approved the proposed changes to the following units:

- ES10001 (minor, Assessment change)
- ES10002 (minor, Assessment change)
- ES10010 (intermediate, Assessment change)
- ES10095 (intermediate, Assessment change)
- ES20097 (intermediate, Assessment change)

b) Department of Psychology

The Committee considered the creation of a new unit for introduction in 2018/19 (paper 43):

- Psychology of Creativity and Innovation

The Committee noted that the unit had been designed primarily to replace a unit which had been withdrawn from the BA Education with Psychology in 2016/17 following the retirement of a member of staff. The Committee noted, however, that the unit would also be available as an option on the Psychology undergraduate programmes. The Committee approved the new unit proposal.

The Committee also approved the introduction of this new unit as a new Year 3/4 option for:

- BSc Psychology (with and without Placement)
- MSci Psychology (with and without Placement)

c) Department of Education

The Committee considered proposed changes for implementation in 2018/19 (paper 44):

Following the approval of the new unit to be offered by the Department of Psychology referred to above, the Committee approved the introduction of this unit as an option in Year3/4 to the BA Education with Psychology:

- Psychology of Creativity and Innovation

The Committee also approved the proposed change of status of ED30497 (now optional).

d) Department for Health

The Committee approved a change to following unit for implementation in 2018/19:

- HL30464 (Dissertation for BSc Sport (Sports Performance), minor, Assessment change).

The Committee noted that while the practice in this Faculty has always been to indicate the maximum word count for each assessed piece of work in unit descriptions, this has not necessarily been the practice across the University. It

was also noted that while there is no requirement to do so in the new CMIS-based unit description information when providing assessment details, it may still be considered useful to do so when describing the assessment details for a unit.

The Committee approved a change to the following unit for implementation in 2018/19, noting that the change was being made in response to student and external examiner feedback. The Committee noted that the Department will need to provide feedback to the students via the SSLC to inform them how their feedback had been taken into account.

- HL40485 (intermediate, Assessment change)

e) **Department of Politics, Languages and International Studies**

The Committee approved a proposed change to the assessment of the following unit for implementation in 2018/19:

- PL30548 (intermediate, Assessment change)

1614. **UNIT AND PROGRAMME CHANGES APPROVED BY CHAIR'S ACTION OR AS HOUSEKEEPING CHANGES**

The Committee noted details of unit changes which have been approved by Chair's action and housekeeping changes which have been approved by the Assistant Registrar (paper 47).
