

## Summary of Senate meeting on 7 June 2023

### Institutional update

The Vice-Chancellor announced that the University had jumped into the UK top 5 in the Complete University Guide 2024. He thanked members of Senate for the hard work they had done to contribute to this success.

### Quality Assurance and Standards in response to industrial action

The Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Education) and Director of Academic Registry led a discussion on proposals to assure academic quality and standards in response to industrial action. As a result of this discussion, Senate approved measures in relation to PGT students on 100% online courses where the Marking and Assessment Boycott had an impact. It agreed that it would consider and agree by correspondence further measures in relation to continuing undergraduate students and other PGT students.

### Research Excellence Framework

The Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research) updated Senate on preparations for the next REF and shared data in relation to current performance and plans for improvement.

### Annual Statement on Research Integrity

Senate agreed to recommend to Council the Annual Statement on Research Integrity. This would be considered by Council at its meeting on 13 July 2023.

### Access and Participation Plan

Senate provided feedback on the current draft Access and Participation Plan.

### Course and partnership approvals

Senate approved a new MSc Financial Mathematics with Data Science; changes to the PoLIS DAP; and a new PG CERT/DP in Business Analytics, all on the recommendation of the Courses and Partnerships Approval Committee (CPAC).

### Boards of Studies

The Deans presented annual reports from the Boards of Studies for each Faculty/School, highlighting key developments and issues for ongoing consideration. Senate also noted an annual report from the Board of Studies (Doctoral).

### Regulations

Senate approved revisions to the Regulations for 2023/24, which would be published on the website.

### Curriculum Transformation

Senate noted an update on Curriculum Transformation. The Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Education) highlighted some key successes in the project, which would be celebrated at a special event to be held later in the month.

### Other matters

Senate thanked outgoing members of Senate for their contribution to its work.