

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

Board of Graduate Studies

There will be a meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies at 9am on Thursday 20 November 2014 in CMR 1.0, University House.

K M Sloan
Registrar

Note: Committee papers can be accessed at <https://files.warwick.ac.uk/bgs/browse>. Questions on items on the agenda or apologies for this meeting should be directed to the Acting Assistant Secretary to the Board, Dr Elizabeth Hough (Elizabeth.Hough@warwick.ac.uk).

A G E N D A

1. Minutes of the Last Meeting

TO CONSIDER:

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 10 October 2014 (copy attached).

2. Matters Arising on the Minutes

(a) Membership of the Board 2014/2015 (minute 2/14-15 refers).

TO REPORT:

- (i) That Professor M Soteriou, rather than Dr Y Hutchison, would serve on the Board of Graduate Studies as one of two members of academic staff appointed by the Board of the Faculty of Arts;
- (ii) That Dr O Goriunova would serve on the Board of Graduate Studies as one of two members of academic staff appointed by the Board of the Faculty of Social Sciences;
- (iii) That Mr R Batista would sit on the Board of Graduate Studies as the postgraduate student appointed by the Board of Faculty of Science from amongst the departments in the Faculty;
- (iv) That Mr L Green would sit on the Board of Graduate Studies as the postgraduate student appointed by the Board of Faculty of Arts from amongst the departments in the Faculty;
- (v) That Mr A Hammant would sit on the Board of Graduate Studies as the postgraduate student appointed by the Board of Faculty of Medicine from amongst the departments in the Faculty;
- (vi) That Ms X Rasul would sit on the Board of Graduate Studies as the postgraduate student appointed by the Board of Faculty of Social Sciences from amongst the departments in the Faculty.

(b) Graduate Awards and Nominations Sub-Committee (minute 5/13-14 refers).

TO REPORT:

(i) That the Faculty Graduate Studies Committees, at their last meetings, nominated the following to serve as Faculty Selectors on the Graduate Awards and Nominations Sub-Committee:

(A) Faculty of Arts

- (1) Professor I de Smet;
- (2) Dr D Wright;

(B) Faculty of Medicine

- (1) TBC;
- (2) TBC;

(C) Faculty of Science

- (1) Dr N Wilson;
- (2) Dr B Finkelstadt;

(D) Faculty of Social Sciences

- (1) Mr P Whitehead;
- (2) TBC.

(ii) That the four members of the Board to serve as representatives on the Graduate Awards and Nominations Sub-Committee would be:

(A) Professor M Soteriou (Faculty of Arts);

(B) Dr D Watson (Faculty of Science);

(C) TBC (Faculty of Social Sciences);

(D) TBC (Faculty of Medicine).

(c) Best Practice for PGR Training as Related to Teaching/Selecting PGR Tutors (minute 64/13-14 refers)

TO CONSIDER:

(i) A report prepared by the Chair of the Board of Undergraduate Studies (paper BGS 3/14-15, copy attached);

(ii) A copy of the NUS Postgraduate Employment Charter (paper BGS 12/14-15, copy attached).

(d) PGR Scholarships Competition

TO RECEIVE:

A report from the Senior Assistant Registrar (Graduate School) regarding nomination quotas for the PGR Scholarships Competition (paper BGS 13/14-15, copy attached).

3. Chair's Business

TO RECEIVE:

A report on the PGT Provision Working Group (paper BGS 14/14-15, copy attached).

4. PGR Registration Periods

TO RECEIVE:

An update from the Chair regarding registration periods for PhD students funded by Doctoral Training Centres (paper BGS 15/14-15, copy attached).

5. International Scholarships

TO RECEIVE:

A report from the Director of the International Office on the University's joint-funded scholarships (papers BGS 16-16a/14-15, copy attached).

6. Warwick Business School Proposals for 'In Principal' Approval

TO CONSIDER:

A proposal (paper BGS 17/14-15, copy attached) from Warwick Business School requesting in principle approval for the following:

- (a) A proposal to introduce a new Doctor of Business Administration course (papers BGS 17a-b/14-15, copy attached);
- (b) A proposal to introduce a new MSc International Business course (paper BGS 17c/14-15, copy attached);
- (c) A proposal to introduce a London variant of the Executive MBA (paper BGS 17d/14-15, copy attached);
- (d) A proposal to introduce a variation to the MSc Business (with Variants) courses (paper BGS 17e/14-15, copy attached).

7. Postgraduate Forum and the Students' Union

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) A copy of the Postgraduate Student-Staff Liaison Committee Annual Report 2014, prepared by the Postgraduate Officer (paper BGS 18/14-15, to be tabled at the meeting);
- (b) The results of the survey on space and facilities for postgraduate students (paper BGS 19/14-15, to be tabled at the meeting).

8. Chair's Action

TO RECEIVE:

A report on items approved by the Chair on behalf of the Board (paper BGS 20/14-15, copy attached).

9. New Course Proposals

A paper setting out recommendations for the approval of new courses (paper BGS 21/14-15, copy attached).

10. Revised Course Proposals

A paper setting out recommendations for the approval of revisions to existing courses (paper BGS 22/14-15, copy attached).

11. Teaching and Learning Building

An update from the Senior Project Manager (Estates) on progress on the Teaching and Learning building.

12. Postgraduate Community Working Group

An update from the Postgraduate Student Development Officer (Graduate School) on progress of the Postgraduate Community Working Group (paper BGS 23/14-15, to be tabled at the meeting).

12. Any Other Business

13. Next meeting

TO REPORT:

That the next meeting of the Board is on 13 January 2015 at 9.30 am in CMR 1.0.