

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

Board of Graduate Studies

There will be a meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies at 2 pm on Thursday 10 November 2005 in the Council Chamber, University House.

C E Charlton
University Secretary

Note: Questions on agendum items or apologies for this meeting should be directed to the Assistant Secretary of the Committee, Sarah Holberton, ext 74050

A G E N D A

1. Minutes

TO CONSIDER:

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 6 October (available on web)

2. Matters Arising on the Minutes

- (a) Membership of Graduate Awards and Nominations Sub-Committee (minute 3/05-06 refers)

TO REPORT:

That the following have been nominated as representatives from the Faculties of Arts, Medicine and Social Studies:

Faculty of Arts: Dr M J Kooy
Faculty of Medicine: Dr A Withnall
Faculty of Social Studies: Ms J Kennedy

- (b) IT and library provision for students who have submitted their theses (minute 5a/05-06 refers)

TO REPORT:

That the difficulties with access to University facilities for students after the submission of a thesis have now been resolved.

- (c) Membership of Scholarships Working Group (minute 6b/05-06 refers)

TO REPORT:

That Professor Ben Lockwood has been nominated as the representative from the Department of Economics and that Kate Scott / Stephen Williams will be the representative from Student Recruitment and Marketing Strategy.

(d) Postgraduate Application Fee Income (minute 7/05-06 refers)

TO REPORT:

That the Steering Committee at its meeting of 17 October 2005 (Steering minute 55/05-06 refers) considered a briefing paper on issues relating to the provision of study space for research students, research postgraduate scholarships and financial support and the postgraduate application fee for taught courses together with an oral report from the Chair of the Board of Graduate Studies and resolved:

- (i) That the Director of Estates and the Pro-Vice-Chancellor responsible for accommodation matters review the University's existing policy of allocation of space for postgraduate research students in the context of University and individual departmental priorities for the allocation of space within available resources.
- (ii) That the Academic Registrar undertake a review of the postgraduate application fee for taught courses as proposed in paper SC.27/05-06 and bring forward a report for consideration by the Steering Committee in due course.
- (iii) That the Working Group established by the Board of Graduate Studies to review mechanisms for the financial support of postgraduate research students bring forward any recommendations for change for consideration by the Financial Plan Sub-Committee and the Strategy Committee in the context of the annual financial planning round.

3. Chair's Business

4. Membership

TO REPORT:

- (a) That Richard Cave (Engineering) has been elected as Chair of the Postgraduate Committee
- (b) That the following students have been elected as postgraduate faculty representatives:

Arts:	TBC
Social Studies:	Liam Askins (Law)
Medicine:	TBC
Science:	Louise Slator (Psychology)

5. Reports from the Faculty Graduate Studies Committees

TO RECEIVE:

Oral reports from the Chairs of the Graduate Studies Committees of the Faculties.

6. Postgraduate Committee

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Chair of the Postgraduate Committee.

7. Summary Report on External Examiners' Reports

TO CONSIDER:

A summary report on external examiners' reports from 2003/2004 for taught postgraduate courses (paper BGS3/05-06, second circulation).

8. Examination Conventions

TO CONSIDER:

A proposed system for the review and approval of postgraduate examination conventions as follows:

- (a) That the Graduate School will undertake an initial review of departmental examination conventions in light of the revised penalties for late submission of work and will advise Faculty Graduate Studies Committees of any anomalies.
- (b) That, following this review, any amendments to examination conventions be submitted to the Graduate Studies Committees for consideration and approval.

9. University Regulations

TO CONSIDER:

Proposed amendments to University Regulations 16 and 14, on resubmission of work for a research degree (paper BGS 14/05-06, second circulation).

10. Admissions Criteria

TO CONSIDER:

A paper from the Head of Admissions and Widening Participation on postgraduate admissions criteria (paper BGS 15/05-06, second circulation).

11. Periodic Review of Courses in the Department of Classics

TO REPORT:

That the Board of the Faculty of Arts, at its meeting of 26 October 2005, approved the report on the periodic review of courses in the Department of Classics (paper BFA2.05-06, copy attached).

TO CONSIDER:

The report on the periodic review of courses in the Department of Classics (paper BFA2.05-06, copy attached).

12. New and Revised Courses of Study

(a) School of Law

TO CONSIDER:

- (i) A proposal from the Law School to introduce an LLM in Legal Education, noting that the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Social Studies at its meeting of 18 October 2005 recommended that the proposal be approved as set out in papers GFSS 15-17/05-06, (copies attached). An outline proposal for this course was approved by the Board of Graduate Studies at its meeting of 6 October 2005 (minute BGS 17/05-06 refers).
- (ii) A proposal from the Law School to introduce an LLM in EU Law in the World Economy, noting that the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Social Studies at its meeting of 18 October 2005 recommended that the proposal be approved as set out in papers GFSS 27-29/05-06, (copies attached). An outline proposal for this course was approved by the Board of Graduate Studies at its meeting of 6 October 2005 (minute BGS 17/05-06 refers).
- (iii) A proposal from the Law School to introduce an LLM in Corporate Law and Governance, noting that the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Social Studies at its meeting of 18 October 2005 recommended that the proposal be approved as set out in papers GFSS 38 + 40/05-06 (copies attached) subject to the Chair receiving Part 2 for Chair's Action. An outline proposal for this course was approved by the Board of Graduate Studies at its meeting of 6 October 2005 (minute BGS 17/05-06 refers).

(b) National Academy for Gifted and Talented Youth

TO CONSIDER:

A proposal from the National Academy for Gifted and Talented Youth to introduce an MA in Gifted and Talented Education noting that the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Social Studies at its meeting of 18 October 2005 recommended that the proposal be approved as set out in papers GFSS 48-50/05-06, (copies attached).

(c) Mercia Institute of Enterprise

TO CONSIDER:

A proposal from the Mercia Institute of Enterprise to introduce a Postgraduate Award 'Managing the Enterprising University', noting that the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Social

Studies at its meeting of 18 October 2005 recommended that the proposal be approved as set out in papers GFSS54-58 {revised} /05-06 (copies attached) subject to the minor amendments. Noting also that the Collaborative, Flexible and Distributed Learning Sub-Committee at its meeting of 03 November 2005 recommended to AQSC that the proposal be approved.

(d) Medical School

TO CONSIDER:

- (i) A proposal from the Division of Health in the Community of the Medical School to introduce a new distance delivery variant of the module and postgraduate award entitled “Diabetes in Pregnancy” (paper GCFM 1/05-06 {revised}, copy attached), noting that the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Medicine at its meeting of 18 October 2005 recommended that the proposal be approved, subject to the amendment of section 9 of the Part 5 form to make it clear that the course will not be open to the overseas market in the first instance. Noting also that the Collaborative, Flexible and Distributed Learning Sub-Committee at its meeting of 03 November 2005 recommended to AQSC that the proposal be approved with effect from January 2006, subject to confirmation that attendance at the fifth day of the taught course be compulsory for students following the Distance Delivery variant, to ensure they enjoy equality of learning opportunity with students following the non-Distance Delivery variant.
- (ii) A proposed change to the CATS weighting of the Assisted Reproduction Technology postgraduate award (paper GCFM5/05-06, copy attached), noting that the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Medicine at its meeting of 18 October 2005 resolved that the proposal be approved.
- (iii) A proposal from Warwick Medical School to deliver the MSc in Implant Dentistry in a new location, GIFT Singapore (paper CFDLSC 27/05-06, copy attached), noting that the Collaborative, Flexible and Distributed Learning Sub-Committee at its meeting of 03 November 2005 recommended to AQSC that the proposal be approved.

(e) Warwick Business School and Warwick Manufacturing Group

TO CONSIDER:

A proposal from Warwick Business School and Warwick Manufacturing Group to introduce a Postgraduate Award, ‘Business Leadership’, noting that the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Social Studies at its meeting of 18 October 2005 recommended that the proposal be approved as set out in paper SGS.7/05-06 (copy attached) as did the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Science at its meeting of 19 October 2005.

(f) Warwick Manufacturing Group

TO CONSIDER:

- (i) A proposal to revise regulations for the post-experience MSc in Process Technology & Business Management noting that the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Science at its meeting of 19 October 2005 recommended that the proposal be approved as set out in paper SGS.8/05-06, copy attached.
- (ii) A proposal from Warwick Manufacturing Group to deliver the previously approved MSc Engineering Business Management course in partnership with SIM and SIMTech in Singapore as set out in part four of the course approval form (paper CFDLSC 14/05-06, copy attached), noting that the Collaborative, Flexible and Distributed Learning Sub-Committee at its meeting of 03 November 2005 recommended to AQSC that the proposal be approved.
- (iii) A proposal from Warwick Manufacturing group for a new Postgraduate Award in Enterprise Excellence, noting that the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Science at its meeting of 19 October 2005 recommended that the proposal be approved as set out in paper SGS.6/05-06, copy attached).

(g) Warwick HRI

TO CONSIDER:

- (i) A proposal for an MSc in Plant Bioscience for Crop Production, noting that the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Science at its meeting of 19 October 2005 recommended that the proposal be approved as set out in paper SGS.18/05-06, copy attached.
- (ii) A proposal for an MSc in Enterprise in Horticulture, noting that the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Science at its meeting of 19 October 2005 recommended that the proposal be approved as set out in paper SGS.19/05-06, copy attached.

13. Discontinued Courses of Study

Department of Philosophy

TO CONSIDER:

A proposal from the Department of Philosophy to discontinue the MA in Philosophy and Phenomenological Studies, noting that the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Social Studies at its meeting of 18 October 2005 recommended that the proposal be approved as set out in paper GFSS 61-65/05-06, (copy attached).

14. Any Other Business