UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

Board of Graduate Studies

Graduate Awards and Nominations Sub-Committee

There will be a meeting of the Graduate Awards and Nominations Sub-Committee at 13.00 on Tuesday 1 May 2012 in CMR 1.1, University House.

Mr K Sloan <u>Registrar</u>

Note: Questions on items on the agenda or apologies for this meeting should be directed to the Assistant Secretary to the Committee, Nicola Ellis-Thomas (N.Ellis-Thomas@warwick.ac.uk)

AGENDA

1. <u>Minutes</u>

TO CONSIDER:

The minutes from the last meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 19 March 2012.

2. <u>PGR Competition Overview</u>

a) Chancellor's, Wolfson, CIS, AHRC, DARO/WCPRS Doctoral Awards Scoring

TO REPORT:

- (i) That the current allocations for the awards above are set out in a separate paper (to follow).
- (ii) That there have been a number of changes to the awards agreed by GANC on 19 March 2012. Changes to the allocations made by GANC are set out in a separate paper (to follow).
- 3. <u>PGT Combined Competition;</u>
 - a) AHRC Masters, Santander, International Office Masters, International Office-ANFCT

TO REPORT:

- (i) That the applications nominated for consideration by departments were each subsequently divided according to their research grouping and reviewed by three faculty scorers.
- (ii) That the scores allocated to each applicant by faculty scorers are set out in a separate paper (to follow), noting that the average score is presented in the column labelled "Total score".
- (iii) That three International Office Masters awards of up to £17,000 are available for 2011-12.

- (iv) That five International Office- ANFCT awards of £10,000 are available for 2011-12 to students from Sub-Saharan Africa. That the eligible countries for these awards are; Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo (Republic of), Congo (Democratic Republic of), Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eretria, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sao Tome & Principe, Senegal, Seychelles. Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe.
- (v) That seven AHRC Masters awards consisting of Home fees and £9,490 stipend are available for 2011-12. The following AHRC Masters awards are available:

English Language and Literature: 1 award Film Studies and Television Studies: 2 awards History: 1 award Philosophy: 2 awards Theatre Studies: 1 award

(vi) That two Santander awards of £5000 are available for 2011-12. That the eligible countries for these awards are; Argentina, Brazil, China, Chile, Columbia, Mexico, Peru, Puerto Rico, Portugal, Russia, Spain, UK, Uruguay, USA, Venezuela.

TO CONSIDER:

The list of candidates who have been nominated by their departments and scored by the relevant faculty as outlined above, to determine:

- (i) which candidates should be made International Office Masters ,AHRC Masters, International Office- ANFCT and Santander awards;
- (ii) which candidates should be put on a reserve list.

4. Li Xiaoming

TO REPORT:

a) That 153 applications were received for the Li Xiaoming Scholarship. That each department has one nomination for this award and the deadline for nominations to be received is 11 May 2012.

5. Warwick/ Open Society Foundation (OSF)

TO REPORT:

- a) That eight Warwick/ OSF awards of £26,177 each are available for 2011-12.
- b) That 274 applications were received for the Warwick/ Open Society Foundation scholarship competition from the following countries; Belarus, Kazakhstan, Moldova and Mongolia.

- c) That 26 applications were nominated for consideration by departments and were each subsequently scored by two scorers. That 19 applicants were invited to interview after scoring had taken place.
- d) Interviews took place between Warwick and representatives of the OSF in each of the host countries between 5 and 12 April 2012.
- e) That 18 applicants were interviewed. Nine applicants were 'Strongly Recommended', six 'Recommended', two 'Marginal' and one 'Not Recommended'.
- 6. EPSRC Interdisciplinary Competition

TO REPORT:

- a) That the EPSRC grant for this year has been received and allocated to departments. In addition to the departmental allocations, there will also be an EPSRC Interdisciplinary Competition.
 - (i) That the EPSRC Interdisciplinary Competition will consist of: Six awards to strengthen research within the Global Priority Programme areas of Innovative Manufacturing; Science and Technology for Health; and Energy, and three further awards for other interdisciplinary science projects.
 - (ii) That the deadline for nominations for the EPSRC Interdisciplinary Competition is 14:00hrs on 25 April 2012.
- 7. Feedback from competition in 2012

TO CONSIDER:

- a) The PGR scoring criteria (GANC 5/11-12)
 - (i) GANC recommendations for any changes to the PGR Scoring Criteria.
 - (ii) Methods of engagement with departments for feedback from the 2012 scholarships competitions.
- 8. <u>Any other business</u>