## THE GLASGOW SCHOOL: PARE

## Digital Design Studio Periodic Review Action Plan, Timescales, Progress

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Recommendation	Action Plan	By Whom	Timescale	Progress
Feedback to Students		Head of Academic	September	Completed
		Programmes (Now:	2013	
The Review Panel explored with the	The Academic Team will review	Programme Leader)		Following discussion and clarification of
students the mechanisms by which	the assessment process and			regulations with registry, feedback rules
they received feedback on their work.	criteria for all postgraduate	And		and guidelines internal to DDS have been
The students expressed satisfaction	provision, including service			revised.
with the oral feedback they received	standard and assessment of	Sound Lecturer		
initially after assessment however it	group work.			Tutors (including VL's) have been advised
was clear from discussions that				that written feedback to students should
students put greater emphasis on				receive written feedback at the soonest
knowing their grades and receiving				opportunity, with note that any grades
the written feedback in a timeous				indicated are provisional, may be amended
manner.				through moderation and subject to
				external examiner review and exam board
The Review Panel were concerned				approval.

that students on the MDes Sound for the Moving Image programme had expressed disappointment that they hadn't, to date, received their written feedback from Stage 1. The Review Panel noted that the GSA is in the process of establishing broad precepts for student feedback which will result in clearer guidance for Schools regarding appropriate timescales for providing written feedback to students.  Assessment of Group Work The Review Panel considered that Digital Design Studio should review how it assesses the group work and reflects upon how the assessment criteria for this component could be more comprehensively conveyed to the students.	Students receiving verbal feedback within two weeks of their assessment having taken place. Written feedback and grades of each course and stage overall grades will be available for collection on the date, which is decided at Exam Boards.  This will be applied consistently across all programmes.  Students will be informed of this in the induction week.			This revised process has been positively received by students.  Marking rubrics/outlines for groupwork included in assessment briefs
Recommendation 2				
				Completed
The Review Panel recommended	DDS Head of Academic	Head of	Term 1,	Many students participate in evening
that the Digital Design Studio gives	Programmes will meet with the	Academic	Academic	'Nightingale' lectures at the library, and
consideration as to how students can	Head of Graduate School to	Programmes (Now	session	main campus events are regularly
be better supported to link with	discuss how students can be	Programme Leader)	2013/14	promoted at the DDS. During second term,
colleagues on other	better supported to link with			all students (except Medical Visualisation)
postgraduate programmes and that	colleagues on other postgraduate			take electives which bring together

discussions with the Head of the Graduate School would be a useful starting point.	programmes.			students from a range of programmes. While successful, a further meeting with Head of the Graduate School will take place to consolidate and build on this for future years.
Recommendation 3 The Review Panel also considered that while the industry links were of substantial value, the Digital Design Studio could benefit from more coordinated links with theory providers and should consider forging the equally important academic links with colleagues in the University of Glasgow and the Royal Conservatoire for Scotland. The Review Panel recommended that Digital Design Studio explores avenues of forging tangible links with the Graduate community in Glasgow and Scotland.	DDS will make contact with Colleagues in the University of Glasgow and the Royal Conservatoire for Scotland to explore avenues of forging tangible links and establish mutually beneficial collaborations with the Graduate community in Glasgow and Scotland.	Sound lecturer	Term 2, Academic session 2013/14	Completed Significant progress has been made, in particular with counterparts at ECA and GU, with the Sound Lecturer now a member of an academic group involving members from GU, RCS and a wider range of practitioners and researchers. 1 <sup>st</sup> meeting was on 30 <sup>th</sup> April.  Current co-supervision arrangements on the Medical Visualisation course are introducing a large number of new links at GU, across a wider range of areas within the Medical, Veterinary and Life Sciences. A number of meetings have been held with colleagues at GU involved in areas related to sound production, and more are scheduled.  Links are now well established across all areas of PGT provision, but to be built upon in creating more tangible and permanent linkages.
Recommendation 4 The Review Panel recommended	DDS Head of Academic Programmes will meet with the Head of Marketing	Programme Leader	Term 2, Academic	Completed

that the Digital Design Studio work	and Communication and the Head of	session	Applications for 2014 entry are ahead of
closely with Marketing and	Student Recruitment to discuss	2013/14	applications at the same time in the
Communication to enhance their	recruitment strategies.		previous year, and overseas applications
recruitment strategies.			across all programmes are strong, positive
			indicators of the strength of current
			recruitment efforts.
			The programme leader has had a number
			of meetings with Marketing and
			Communication, and has established a
			closer working relationship for developing
			online and print campaigns and
			coordinating marketing activities.