University of Glasgow

Academic Standards Committee – Friday 15 November 2013

Report from the Meeting of the Joint Liaison Committee of the University of Glasgow and The Glasgow School of Art held on 31 January 2013

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The following were among the items considered at the meeting:

1. Remit and Membership of the Joint Liaison Committee

Following review of the Committee remit and membership of the Committee, it was agreed that no amendment was required and that the remit and membership be sent to ASC for approval. After the meeting, following discussions with the Convener and the Vice Convener, it was agreed that Dr Donald Ballance be invited to join the Committee as the Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT) liaison for the University. Dr Ballance agreed to join the Committee as a co-opted member.

Academic Standards Committee is invited to **approve**, retrospectively, the membership of the Liaison Committee as specified in **Appendix 1**.

2. Annual Report from the Glasgow School of Art (GSA) 2011-12

The Annual Report from GSA had been developed according to the new guidance outlined by the University. The Convener congratulated GSA warmly on the report and its contents. The efforts of the team compiling the report were acknowledged, particularly those of Ms Lisa Davidson. GSA thanked the University for allowing extra leeway for the development of the report. The report contained an additional report from SIT. Members agreed that this was especially helpful.

The following points from the report were highlighted:

- Undergraduate progression at GSA remained high at 96.8%. GSA ranked second in Scotland for the retention of students;
- External Examiners' reports were received by the Committee and it was noted that the reporting on External Examiners' comments provided a good overview and evidence of a reflective approach to the comments of External Examiners;
- GSA was in the process of further mapping of services regarding student employability, careers and work-related learning;
- GSA has a good reputation for the provision of student welfare services. It was agreed that further explanation of these services would be helpful for future reports.
- The new building at GSA was due for completion in September 2013 but would not be open to students until January, 2104. Arrangements were being made to facilitate the transition to the new building from Skypark, including the transport of equipment. Students had been involved in discussions regarding the arrangements.
- GSA's Highly Trusted Status had been renewed by the Home Office.

3. Periodic Subject Review

The Periodic Review of the School of Fine Art had taken place during 2011-12. As part of the review, the re-validation of the following programmes had taken place:

- BA (Hons) Fine Art;
- MLitt in Fine Art Practice:
- Master of Fine Art.

The Review Panel recommended that the programmes be re-validated for a further six years. The re-validation of the programmes had been approved by ASC in April, 2012.

4. Staff to be recognised as Teachers of the University

The Committee received the list (including brief CVs) of staff who were to be recognised as Teachers of the University, as outlined in **Appendix 2**.

Academic Standards Committee is invited to **approve** that those named in **Appendix 2** be recognised as teachers of the University for the purpose of teaching on programmes leading to awards of the University.

5. Convener's Business

Some matters were raised under Convener's Business:

- Access for GSA students (those not jointly registered with both the University and GSA) to the Sport and Recreation facilities at the University had been capped as the number of GSA students permitted membership had been reduced. Sport and Recreation facilities were at full capacity. It was subsequently noted that no new memberships for any students (GSA or University) were being offered due to space limitations and safety concerns.
- Restrictions had also been placed on GSA membership of the Glasgow University Sports Association (GUSA). There was some concern, expressed by the GSA Student Representative Council that there had been a lack of communication from GUSA on this matter.

6. Joint Board for Product Design Engineering & Joint Board for BEng/MEng Civil Engineering with Architecture.

The minutes from the Joint Board for Product Design Engineering were received. The minutes from the Joint Board for BEng/MEng Civil Engineering with Architecture were outstanding at the time of the meeting but were subsequently received and circulated to members.

Membership of the Liaison Committee 2013-2014

The Liaison Committee will meet annually to consider an annual report on the performance of all of the programmes leading to awards of the University delivered wholly or jointly by the Glasgow School of Art.

Membership

University of Glasgow
Professor J Briggs, Clerk of Senate (Convener)
Dr J Aitken, Director of Senate Office
Mr D Bennion, Head of Registry
Dr D Ballance, School of Engineering (co-opted member)
Professor E Moignard, College of Arts (nominee for Head of College of Arts)
Professor J Marsh, Head of School, Science & Engineering
Professor C Willsdon, Professor of the History of Western Art
Professor N Pearce, Head of School, Culture and Creative Arts
Mr J Harrison, SRC President

Glasgow School of Art

Professor P Anderson, Director of the Digital Design Studio
Professor T Collins, Acting Head of Graduate School
Professor R Wilson, Head of School of Fine Art
Professor I McAra-McWilliam, Head of School of Design
Mr S de Santis, SRC President
Dr K Neil, Head of Historical and Critical Studies
Ms C Nicholson, Head of Learning Resources
Professor C Platt, Head of Mackintosh School of Architecture
Professor L Drew, Deputy Director and Director of Academic
Development (Vice Convener)
Dr C Williamson, Head of Academic and Student Services

In attendance Mrs Jackie McCluskey (UoG) Geraldine Perriam (UoG)

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New Members of GSA Staff

Name	Post	Department	FTE
Ms Melba Beetham	Lecturer in Interior Design	Interior Design School of Design	0.5FTE
Mr Steven Burch	Lecturer in Digital Culture	Digital Cultures School of Design	1.0FTE
Dr Priscilla Chueng-Nainby	Post Doctoral Research Fellow – Design Innovation	School of Design	0.4FTE
Mr Paul Hume	Lecturer in Communication Design	GSofA Singapore School of Design	0.6FTE
Ms Christina Choo Wen Hwei	Lecturer in Communication Design	GSofA Singapore School of Design	1.0FTE
Miss Georgina Leith	Lecturer in Interior Design	Interior Design School of Design	0.4FTE
Miss Katherine Li	Stage Leader Lecturer/Studio Tutor	Mackintosh School of Architecture	1.0FTE
Huey Miin Leong	Lecturer in Interior Design	GSofA Singapore School of Design	1.0FTE
Mr Frazer MacDonald Hay	Programme Director, GSA Singapore	GSofA Singapore School of Design	1.0FTE
Dr Lynn McHattie	Post Doctoral Research Fellow	School of Design	1.0FTE
Mr Michail Mersinis	Lecturer in Fine Art Photography	Fine Art Photography School of Fine Art	0.8FTE
Miss Kimberley O'Neill	Lecturer in Communication Design	Communication Design School of Design	0.4FTE
Miss Shona Paul	Head of Professional and Continuing Education	Professional and Continuing Education	1.0FTE
Dr Alistair Payne	Programme Leader, BA (Hons) Fine Art	School of Fine Art	1.0FTE
Dr Alan Pert	Lecturer/Studio Tutor	Mackintosh School of Architecture	0.4FTE
Ms Stacey Phillips	Lecturer/Studio Tutor – Maternity Cover	Mackintosh School of Architecture	0.2FTE
Professor Christopher Platt	Head of Mackintosh School of Architecture	Mackintosh School of Architecture	1.0FTE