

**University of Glasgow**

**Academic Standards Committee – Friday 14 November 2014**

**Reports on PSR to be Received during 2014-15 and Proposed ASC Reviewers**

**Mrs Lesley Fielding, Clerk to the Committee**

Monitoring internal subject review (Periodic Subject Review) falls under Academic Standards Committee's remit as part of its overall responsibility of assuring and enhancing the quality of the University's taught educational provision and the maintenance of standards.

Each year ASC receives the following reports relating to the PSR process:

1. Reports of Reviews held in the session (Full Review Reports, approved by the Panel Convener, containing recommended actions arising from the Review);
2. 12 Month Update Reports – a standard report on progress with actions/recommendations;
3. Updates on Progress with Recommendations – ad hoc reports, normally requested by the Panel Convener or ASC, where updates are considered necessary after the first normal 12 month update;
4. Annual overview of recommendations – compiled by the Senate Office;
5. Annual overview of good practice and key strengths identified in Reviews – compiled by the Senate Office.

To spread the workload in reviewing these reports, academic members of ASC are allocated a number of Subjects for which they are asked to read full Review, Update and Progress reports (as per 1-3 above) along with one other member. ASC members can therefore work in pairs. Guidance on the process of reviewing these reports is given below. Overview reports (4 and 5 above) should be considered by all committee members.

**Allocation for 2014-15**

The following allocation of ASC members to PSR reports is proposed for 2014-15. Where possible, there is continuity between previous review of full reports and subsequent updates.

**Full Review Reports 2014-15**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Expected Date of Submission to ASC</b>	<b>Reviewers</b>
Classics	April 2015	Douglas MacGregor Alison Orr
Chemistry	May 2015	Penny Morris Anna O'Neill
Geographical & Earth Sciences	May 2015	Christine Edwards Kevin O'Dell
Urban Studies	May 2015	Bob Hill Bryony Randall

History	Summer Powers 2015	Gordon Curry Anna Morgan-Thomas
Theatre, Film & TV Studies	Summer Powers 2015	Christine Edwards Joanne Ramsey
Economics	TBC	Neil Evans Helen Stoddart

### 12-Month Update 2013-14

Subject	Expected Date of Submission to ASC	Reviewers
Open Studies	February 2015	Alison Orr Bryony Randall
Nursing & Health Care	April 2015	Gordon Curry Helen Stoddart
Computing Science	May 2015	Kevin O'Dell Anna O'Neill
Economic & Social History	May 2015	Christine Edwards Penny Morris
Sociology	May 2015	Bob Hill Bryony Randall
Theology & Religious Studies	May 2015 (originally Summer Powers 2014)	Neil Evans Joanne Ramsey
Philosophy	May 2015 (originally Summer Powers 2014)	Christine Edwards Douglas Macgregor
School of Education – Community Development & Adult Education	October 2015	Anna Morgan-Thomas Penny Morris

### 12-Month Update 2012-13

Subject	Expected Date of Submission to ASC	Reviewers
Politics	November 2014	Anna O'Neill Kevin O'Dell

### Further Updates on Progress with Recommendations

Subject	Expected Date of Submission to ASC	Reviewers
Celtic & Gaelic	May 2015 (one-year follow-up)	Gordon Curry Christine Edwards

### **The Role of the ASC Reviewer**

In receiving PSR reports ASC's task is to identify "issues or recommendations requiring action in other areas of the University and monitoring responses to actions or recommending further action as necessary". ASC Reviewers should therefore check reports for any issues or recommendations (typically those which will enhance the quality of the University's taught provision) which would relate to other areas of the University and therefore may need wider dissemination.

Update reports should be considered in order to confirm the PSR Panel Convener's view that there have been appropriate responses to the recommendations or whether further action or updates are necessary (this will usually have been identified by the Convener before the report is submitted to ASC).

At least one of the two ASC Reviewers should advise the Committee in the event that there are issues to bring to the notice of ASC, either about the specific review and its recommendations, or the PSR process as a whole. (Members who are unable to attend should provide any comments they may have in writing to the Clerk who will also pass these on to the convener and second reviewer).