

University of Glasgow

Academic Standards Committee – Friday 25 November 2016

Reports on PSR to be Received during 2016-17 and Proposed ASC Reviewers

Mrs Ruth Cole, 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. Six 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 six 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 2016-17

The following allocation of ASC members to PSR reports is proposed for 2016-17. Where possible, there is continuity between previous review of full reports and subsequent updates.

Full Review Reports 2016-17

Subject	Expected Date of Submission to ASC	Reviewers
Accounting & Finance	May 2016	Margaret Martin Bryony Randall
Central & East European Studies	May 2016	Gordon Curry Maria Jackson
HATII	May 2016	Neil Evans Anna Morgan-Thomas
History of Art	May 2016	Raymond McCluskey Douglas MacGregor
School of Life Sciences	May 2016	Charlotte Methuen Joanne Ramsey

School of Psychology	May 2016	Niall MacFarlane Helen Stoddart
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Six-Month Update 2015-16

Subject	Expected Date of Submission to ASC	Reviewers
Academic Development Unit	November 2016	Raymond McCluskey Bryony Randall
Archaeology	January 2017	Neil Evans Anna Morgan-Thomas
Dental School	March 2017	Douglas McGregor Charlotte Methuen
English Language	March 2017	Maria Jackson Niall MacFarlane
English Literature	March 2017	Gordon Curry Anna Morgan-Thomas
School of Interdisciplinary Studies	March 2017	Niall MacFarlane Helen Stoddart
School of Mathematics & Statistics	March 2017	Anna O'Neill Joanne Ramsey
Scottish Literature	March 2017	Margaret Martin Anna O'Neill

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).