

University of Glasgow

Academic Standards Committee – Friday 24 May 2019

Updated Responses to the Recommendation 5 Arising from the
Periodic Subject Review of Accounting & Finance held on
3 March 2017

Mrs Catherine Omand, Senior Academic Policy Manager

Recommendation 5

The Review Panel **recommends** that postgraduate students should be given information and support in the preparation of their research proposals at an earlier stage of the research methods course. [Paragraph 3.3.2]

For the attention of: The Head of Subject

Response – May 2018

This year, our postgraduate taught students have been provided with information to support their production of dissertation research proposals at the start of the Dissertation and Research Methods course. That course is presently underway. The programme conveners are more involved in this course this year than last and are ensuring that students are well supported in the development of their dissertation proposals.

Updated Response – May 2019

The School is in the process of creating a postgraduate advising service.

The advising service will be led by a Student Experience Manager who will also spend a proportion of their time (60% in Y1) on service design and development and performing the role of Senior Adviser, allowing us to locate the advising service in a broader student support structure.

The service will focus on bridging the 'gap' between the support that Programme Conveners and Administrators can offer in terms of capacity and training and central services provision, primarily LEADS and CaPS.

The service will be supported by two dedicated Postgraduate Student Advisers who will spend c.70% of their time in a student-facing capacity. The Advisers will be recruited on the basis of previous knowledge, training and experience.

The service proposition is currently being finalised and we can share this imminently. We expect the recruitment process to begin this month.