

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

Board of Graduate Studies

There will be a meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies at 9.30 on Tuesday 15 January 2013 in the CMR 1.0, University House.

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Registrar

Note: Committee papers can be accessed at <https://files.warwick.ac.uk/bgs/browse>. Questions on items on the agenda or apologies for this meeting should be directed to the Assistant Secretary to the Board, Kathryn Weir (kathryn.weir@warwick.ac.uk).

A G E N D A

1. Minutes of the last meeting

TO CONSIDER:

The Minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 22 November 2012 (available online), noting that minute 47(a)(i)/12-13 (Revision of MA in Globalisation and Development and MA in Politics, Politics and International Studies) should have appeared under the Faculty of Social Sciences at 47(b)/12-13.

2. Matters Arising on the Minutes

(a) Membership of the Board 2012/2013 (minute 2/12-13 refers)

TO REPORT:

That, at its meeting on 19 November 2012, the Steering Committee, acting on behalf of the Senate, approved the appointment of Dr John Parkinson, Director of Graduate Studies for Politics and International Studies, as one of four co-opted members of academic staff to serve on the Board (SC minute 117/12-13 refers).

(b) Membership of Sub-Committees (minute 5/12-13 refers)

Graduate Awards and Nominations Sub-Committee

TO REPORT:

- (i) That the Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Science, acting on its behalf, has approved the nomination of Dr Mark Leeson to serve as the other selector for the Faculty of Science on the Graduate Awards and Nominations Sub-Committee;
- (ii) That the Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Social Sciences, acting on its behalf, has approved the nomination of Dr Keith Richards to serve as the other selector for the Faculty of Social Sciences on the Graduate Awards and Nominations Sub-Committee;

- (iii) That the Chair of the Board has approved the appointment of Professor Jonothan Neelands to serve as the member of the Board from the Faculty of Social Sciences.

(c) Application deadlines

TO REPORT:

The outcome of consultation with Board members on the issue of application deadlines for postgraduate taught students.

3. Chair's Business

TO RECEIVE

An oral report from the Chair of the Board.

4. Reports from the Chairs of the Graduate Studies Committees

TO RECEIVE:

Oral reports from the Chairs of the Graduate Studies Committees.

5. Postgraduate Forum and the Students' Union

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Postgraduate Officer.

6. PGT and PGR Scholarships Competition

TO REPORT:

- (a) That the Graduate Awards and Nominations Sub-Committee scheduled to allocate PGR Scholarships will now meet on 25th February, 1 - 4pm, instead of 21st February as originally scheduled, noting that letters will therefore be sent to successful applicants between 26th February - 1st March 2013;
- (b) That the Graduate Awards and Nominations Sub-Committee scheduled to allocate PGT Scholarships will meet on 28th March 2013, 9.30 -12pm.

7. Academic Statistics – PhD Submission Rates

TO CONSIDER:

A paper from the Assistant Registrar (Graduate School) on submission rates for postgraduate research students (paper BGS 46/12-13, copy attached), utilising data submitted for the 2012 Academic Statistics Yearbook, including the attachments:

- (a) PhD submission rates by Faculty (paper BGS 47/12-13, copy attached);
- (b) PhD submission rates by Department (paper BGS 48/12-13, copy attached).

8. Institutional Review Update

TO CONSIDER:

A paper summarising action that has been taken on behalf of the Board in response to recommendations made to departments following the Institutional Review of Teaching and Learning 2011, with suggested responses to outstanding recommendations (paper BGS 49/12-13, copy attached).

9. Outcomes from Institutional Audit, 2009-2011

TO RECEIVE:

A review of the outcomes of Institutional Audit focusing on postgraduate research provision, published by the QAA (paper BGS 50/12-13, available online).

10. Chair's Action

TO RECEIVE:

A report on items approved by the Chair on behalf of the Board (paper BGS 51/12-13, to be tabled).

11. Graduate School Newsletter

TO RECEIVE:

The Winter 2012 newsletter issued by the Graduate School since the last meeting of the Board (paper BGS 52/12-13, previously circulated and available online at: http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/services/academicoffice/gsp/warwick_staff/newsletters/newsletter-1212).

12. Any Other Business

13. Next meeting

TO REPORT:

That the next meeting of the Board is on Tuesday 19 February, 9.30am, in CMR 1.0.

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