## **UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK**

## **Board of Graduate Studies**

There will be a meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies at 2pm on Thursday 5 June 2014 in CMR 1.0, University House.

K M Sloan Registrar

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

## AGENDA

1. <u>Minutes of the last meeting</u>

TO CONSIDER:

The Minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 1 May 2014 (available online).

- 2. Matters arising on the minutes
  - (a) Board of Graduate Studies Working Groups (minutes 44/13-14 and 52/13-14 refer)

TO CONSIDER:

Reports outlining the findings and recommendations of the working groups, as follows:

- (i) Best Practice for PGR Training as related to teaching/selecting PGR tutors (paper BGS 52/13-14, <u>available online</u>);
- (ii) Best Practice for postgraduate student admissions (paper BGS 53/13-14, available online);
- (iii) Identifying improvements for part-time students (oral report);
- (iv) The Postgraduate Community (paper BGS 54/13-14, <u>available online</u>).
- (b) Submission Rates (minute 53/13-14 refers)

TO RECEIVE:

An oral update from the Senior Assistant Registrar (Graduate School).

(c) PGR Scholarships Competition (minute 55/13-14 refers)

TO RECEIVE:

An update from the Senior Assistant Registrar (Graduate School) on the

outcome of the PGR Scholarships Competition (paper BGS 55/13-14, available online).

# (d) University Strategy Consultation (minute 60/13-14 refers)

## TO RECEIVE:

A paper summarising the feedback provided on behalf of the Board in relation to the University's draft strategy consultation document (paper BGS 56/13-14, available online).

# 3. Reports from the Chairs of the Graduate Studies Committees

#### TO RECEIVE:

Oral reports from the Chairs of the Graduate Studies Committees

## 4. The Future of Graduate Provision at Warwick

## TO RECEIVE:

A paper from the Chair outlining key action points for the future of Graduate provision at Warwick, identified at a meeting between Heads of Department and CDT leads (paper BGS 57/13-14, available online).

# 5. Graduate School Review

### TO RECEIVE:

A paper from the Chair outlining key priorities for the Graduate School in response to the Graduate School Review (paper BGS 58/13-14, available online).

## 6. Amendments to the Requirements for Taught Postgraduate Awards

### TO CONSIDER:

A paper from the Assistant Registrar (Learning and Teaching) outlining proposed changes to the 'Requirements for Taught Postgraduate Awards' (paper BGS 59/13-14, <u>available online</u>).

# 7. Mock Home Office Tier 4 Audit

#### TO CONSIDER:

A paper from the Compliance Officer (Student Immigration) regarding the mock Home Office audit undertaken in August 2013 (paper BGS 60/13-14, <u>available online</u>).

## 8. Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey (PTES) 2014

### TO REPORT:

That the current Warwick response rate will be reported at the meeting, noting that the survey would remain open until 16 June 2014.

# 9. New course proposals

A paper setting out recommendations for the approval of new courses (paper BGS 61/13-14, available online).

## 10. Revised course proposals

A paper setting out recommendations for the approval of revisions to existing courses (paper BGS 62/13-14, <u>available online</u>).

### 11. PGT Annual Course Review Reports

#### TO CONSIDER:

The summary Annual Course Review Reports prepared by each of the Faculty Graduate Studies Committees, as follows:

- (a) Arts (paper AGSC 14/13-14, available online);
- (b) Science (paper SGS 44/13-14, <u>available online</u>);
- (c) Social Science (paper GFSS 74/13-14, to follow);
- (d) Medicine (paper GSCFM 28/13-14, available online).

# 12. PGR Annual Course Review Reports

### TO CONSIDER:

The summary PGR Annual Course Review Reports prepared by each of the Faculty Graduate Studies Committees, as follows:

- (a) Arts, noting that the summary report did not include reviews of the Department of Italian and the Centre for the Study of the Renaissance, so separate reports have been provided (papers AGSC 4/13-14, 4(j)/13-14 and 4(k)13-14 available online);
- (b) Science (paper SGS 22/13-14, <u>available online</u>);
- (c) Social Science (paper GFSS 62/13-14, available online);
- (d) Medicine (paper GSCFM 21/13-14, <u>available online</u>).

## 13. Chair's Action

### TO RECEIVE:

A report on items approved by the Chair on behalf of the Board (paper BGS 63/13-14, <u>available online</u>).

## 14. Any Other Business

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