



ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Date: Monday 11th November 2019

Time: 12:15

Room: 3092

Attended – 16 Apologies - 124

AGENDA

1. WELCOME

Chiara welcomed all who attended and briefly went through the agenda and the purpose of Academic Council for those who had not attended before.

2. STUDENT PRESIDENT UPDATE

- A new Post Graduate Officer has been elected for the Students' Union. Name to be confirmed later.
- Your Voice, Your Ideas – still ongoing and any new ideas would be very welcome.
- Question of the Semester – explained how to get forms from the Students' Union. The closing date is 20th November.
- Lecture Capture – Chiara invited comments from the Council regarding Lecture Capture. We will pass on to the Vice-Principal for consideration. Academic Council were mainly in favour with a few concerns regarding consent and encouraging absence.
- New Principal – Sir Paul Grice will be installed as QMU's new Principal and Vice Chancellor on Friday 29th November. All have the opportunity to attend. See presentation slides for details.
- SU Fashion Show – this is a feel good event that will be held in March (Dates tbc) where students can get involved either in front of or behind the scenes but everyone is encouraged to wear whatever makes them feel comfortable.

3. VACANCIES FOR STUDENTS

The University are currently looking for:

- Members of the SAB (Student Academic Board)
- Student Reviewers – email sforbes@gmu.ac.uk for details
- Members of the SEC (Student Experience Committee)

4. IT UPDATE

Chiara informed the Council that she has arranged weekly meetings with the IT department. Students are welcome to attend and should email Chiara for details. Academic Council members remarked on the poor performance of the PC's on the Atrium. Chiara advised that if this was the case to go to the helpdesk in the library as they are very good at troubleshooting problems. IT are also introducing a new app which will enable you to print from your laptop.

5. FEEDBACK ON CATERING

Chiara has regular meetings with Baxter Storey who run catering facilities at QMU and will present the Academic Council feedback to them at her next meeting. The consensus was that there are improvements that could be made which included variety, intolerances and price.

6. CLASS REP FEEDBACK

Sometimes it is impossible to find out who your class are. There were suggestions that the programme leader could circulate details of an event for that programme to allow networking.

7. SAVE THE DATE

Pop-Up Union

Every Tuesday 12.15 – 13.15 in the atrium

IT Desktop Upgrade Updates

Every Wednesday 14.00 – 14.30 (email Chiara for details)

NEXT MEETING

Monday 3rd February 2020 @ 12.15 in Room 2029

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