

**e-Business Meeting of the Senatus Academic Policy and Regulations
Committee (APRC)
Thursday 30 March – Thursday 6 April**

CONFIRMED MINUTE

To note		
1.	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>Activation of Taught Assessment Regulation 70 The Committee were informed that the relevant guidance on responding to the impact of industrial action has been updated and communicated to Schools,</p> <p>It was noted by a committee member that a paper on responses to industrial action was scheduled for discussion at the Senate meeting on 29 March 2023, but that a vote on the proposals was not possible because that meeting was not quorate at that point, but Senate members may intend to raise this issue again at the next opportunity. The committee member asked that it be noted that some Senate members consider the activation of TAR Regulation 70 profoundly inappropriate. The Senate member queried whether the temporary relaxation of specific regulations was being done under a proper process as this appears to undermine strike action.</p> <p>Matters Arising: Clarification of Support for Study Policy Following 23rd March 2023 Meeting of APRC</p> <p>The Committee noted the clarification on the Support for Study Policy.</p>	APRC 22/23 7A
2.	<p>Reminder of follow up items</p> <p>Members were made aware the relevant deadlines for follow up items.</p>	
For discussion and recommendation to Court		
3.	<p>PG DRPS – Regulation 33 and 34 For discussion and recommendation to Court</p> <p>The Committee supported the Regulations be recommended to Court. Court will take forward approval of the Regulations in line with the process for the approval of a Resolutions.</p> <p>A member raised concern that the wording of Regulation 33 may discriminate against part-time continuous students and noted that a revision to the Study Period Table would provide more appropriate timescales for part-time continuous students and reduce administrative burden. These comments were noted and will be considered during a more detailed review of Regulation 33 over the next academic year.</p> <p>Members supported the proposed amendments to Regulations 33 and 34 as an interim measure for 2023/24 and ahead of a more detailed review of these specific regulations ahead of the 2024/25 academic year.</p>	APRC 22/23 7B

For approval		
4.	<p>Late Special Circumstances Deadline for August resit diet For approval</p> <p>The Committee approved a revised late special circumstances deadline for the August 2023 resit diet.</p> <p>Amendments to the late special circumstances deadline for PGT dissertations in 2022/23 will be proposed to APRC at their meeting in May 2023.</p> <p>Some members raised concern that the revised deadline would reduce the time available to submit special circumstances and noted that the change should be clearly communicated to students.</p>	APRC 22/23 7C
5.	<p>Approval for non-standard programme start dates for the Online MBA For approval</p> <p>The Committee approved the non-standard programme start dates for the Online MBA. It has been confirmed that students will be able to access central University induction resources when commencing a programme on non-standard start date.</p> <p>A member raised concerns regarding the availability of APRC's 23 March minutes and documentation available to support the Committee's decision making on this item. EBusiness papers should report how issue at the previous meeting were addressed and state on what basis committee members are being asked to make a decision.</p>	APRC 22/23 7D