



Senate

Paper Title	Educational Partnerships Board Executive Summary: 30 May to 19 September 2014
Outcome requested	Senate is asked to note the EPB Executive Summary.
Points for Senate members to note and further information	This paper summarises the business of EPB from May to September 2014.
Questions for Senate to consider	
Regulatory/statutory reference points	QMUL is required to comply with the indicators of sound practice detailed in Chapter B10 of the UK Quality Code for Higher Education, managing higher education provision with others. The Educational Partnerships Board undertakes detailed scrutiny of QMUL's educational partnership activity on behalf of Senate.
Strategy and risk	EPB role is to evaluate and monitor risk of QMUL partnership arrangements, and to consider relevant policies and procedures.
Reporting/consideration route for the paper	This paper is a report to Senate.
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EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS BOARD

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Meetings and membership

1. The Educational Partnerships Board meets monthly. The current membership is:

Chair: Vice Principal International¹
 One member of academic staff per Faculty;
 Chief Strategy Officer;
 Dean for China Operations;
 Academic Registrar and Secretary to Council (or nominee);
 Director of Marketing and Communications (or nominee);
 Student representative.

Both the Terms of Reference and the Membership of the Board will be reviewed for 2014/15.

2. EPB has held two meetings between 30 May and September 2014. In addition, a number of proposals were considered by electronic circulation.

Consideration of new partnership proposals and renewals

3. The Board considers new partnership proposals with both UK and international partners and evaluates any risk involved. From 30 May to September 2014 EPB has considered 15 new collaborative arrangements.

Collaborative proposal	Brief description	Status
Singapore Management University (SMU)	Dual award LLM programme: the first 4 months will be taught entirely by SMU in Singapore, and the following 8 months by CCLS in London - graduates will receive both the QMUL LLM degree award, and the SMU degree award.	Taught Programmes Board will consider in detail the academic case through Part 2 Programme proposal.
Tongji University	General Memorandum of Understanding with a view to developing collaborative activities in the future, such as undergraduate exchanges and research collaboration in the	MOU has been signed.

¹ During the reporting period, EPB was chaired by the President and Principal of the College

	area of interaction design.	
China Industry Design Institution (CIDI)	Collaboration in educational and training programmes.	MOU has been signed.
University of Uppsala, Sweden and University of Copenhagen, Denmark	Erasmus+ Programme Agreements in the School of History	Agreements have been signed.
Beijing Jiaotong University (BJTU)	Articulation arrangement in Mathematical Sciences & Physics and Astronomy	Agreement document currently translated into Chinese.
The Hellenic Management Centre (HMC), Athens	LLM in International Shipping Law (single award)	Taught Programmes Board will consider in detail the academic case through Part 2 Programme proposal.
MBBS Malta	Updates on the	Programme still in development.
Taiyuan University of Technology (TUT)	Research collaboration	Memorandum of Understanding
University of Electronic Science and Technology of China (UESTC)	Collaborative Masters Programme leading to an MRes in Electronic Engineering or Computer Science	Taught Programmes Board will consider in detail the academic case through Part 2 Programme proposal.
George Washington University	Exchange agreement	Agreement has been signed.
Osgoode Hall School of Law (York University, Canada):	MOU and student exchange for the Department of Law	Agreement has been signed.
Universidad Nacional de Colombia	General MOU to cover exchange of visiting academics led by CCLS	Agreement in preparation.
Cornell University	Student exchange agreement for SBM	Agreement in preparation
Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew:	BSc/MSci and MSc programme in Plant and Fungal Taxonomy, Diversity and Conservation in SBCS in partnership with Kew	Taught Programmes Board will consider in detail the academic case through Part 2 Programme proposal.

Collaborative proposal on PhD with Nanchang University	Collaborative postgraduate programme leading to the award of a Masters degree from NCU and a PhD from QMUL	Research Degrees Programmes and Examination Board (RDPEB) to approve the detailed proposal
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Joint Programme Reports

According to its Terms of Reference, EPB receives reports from partnership steering committees (or equivalent programme management committees). At its July meeting EPB took note of the Annual Reports from the following joint programmes with UK institutions:

- UG Laws with University of London International Academy(ULIA) and UG Laws Consortium;
- PG Laws – part of University of London International Academy (ULIA) with UCL: Programme Director's summary;
- MA in the History of Political Thought and Intellectual History (jointly offered by QMUL and UCL).

Erasmus+ Joint Masters

EPB considered the New Erasmus+ framework for joint masters programmes and discussed the possibility of QMUL submitting applications within this framework. A Working Group led by Dean of Taught Programmes, HSS, will consider the implications for QMUL and the level of support which would be required.

Meetings in 2014-15

EBP will hold the following meetings in 2014-14:

Tuesday 21 October 2014
 Tuesday 25 November 2014
 Tuesday 16 December 2014
 Tuesday 20 January 2015
 Tuesday 17 February 2015
 Tuesday 24 March 2015
 Tuesday 19 May 2015
 Tuesday 23 June 2015
 Tuesday 21 July 2015