

**School of Medicine and Dentistry
Clinical Pharmacology
William Harvey Research Institute
Postgraduate Taught
Student Staff Liaison Committee
21st November 2019 at 2pm**

Confirmed Minutes

Staff members present:

Dr Fu Ng (Chair)
Professor Atholl Johnston
Dr Stavroula Kanoni
Dr Nina Ravic
Toqa El-Nahhas

Rahat Uddin (Minutes)

Student members present:

Name	Programme
Gabriella Rose Dicosimo	MSc Forensic Medical Sciences
Nkeiruka Chizomam Udochi Ezeakachi O Ogugua	MSc Clinical Drug Development
Farah Fahd Mahmoud Abdelhameed	MSc Clinical Endocrinology
Bethany Sian Lumborg	MSc Genomic Medicine

Apologies for absence:

Unable to attend:

Evridiki Georgaki	MSc Sports and Exercise Medicine
Richard Antbring Musculo)	MSc FT WHRI (Sports Med and
Alexander Navin Kumra	BSc (Intercalated) Sports and Exercise

Part 1 – Preliminary Items	Paper	Led by
Welcome and introduction for new members		Chair
Minutes of the previous meeting		Chair
N/A – this is the first SSLC meeting.		
Report on matters arising and actions taken		Chair
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Terms of reference and membership		Chair

- FN - Explained.

- NR –Overseas students have experienced issues regarding access to finance department; emails were not being responded to, it can be difficult for overseas students.
- Bethany – also contributed and stated the student finance process was difficult and unclear process.
- NR – Gave purpose and details of induction day.

Part 2 – Programme Delivery and other matters

Programme/module developments and amendments

MSc / PGDip / PGCert Genomic Medicine

Bethany (GEN Rep)

- GEN students feel that doing the course FT and doing it as a DL has no advantage.
- NR – gave various examples that those attending have an overwhelming advantage – this would be apparent as the programme continues. In addition to this those guest lecturers and names are often in industry and in previous year students have benefited by being offered jobs from the classroom.
- Students having 1-2-1 interaction with Prof Deloukas who is one of the most cited scientist in the world.
- AJ – gave further advantages and examples of benefits of being on the course FT on campus compared to a DL.
- SK – gave additional examples of being on site related to Bioinformatics and how it can be of a great advantage being on site.
- It was commented by students that the general quality of lectures was very good.
- GEN – students feel three days of teaching was very intense.
- AJ – gave examples as to why 3 days consistently has been chosen and proven track record.

- If lectures could be uploaded in advance this would be useful – where this is possible this will be done. It was explained that guests and lecturers prefer not to provide this as they feel it more suited that this is done after the lecture takes place.
- Bethany GEN – Personal tutors, Panos is their personal tutor. Nina must be copied into emails who will remind Panos to respond.

- QMPlus is all working well for all, able to see content and access material.

MSc / PGDip Clinical Drug Development

Nkeiruka (CDD Rep)

- Lecture times to be made clear from advance, 9am start listed should be 9am not 10am – this was explained as to previous reasons where start time varied to those listed.
- Quality is very good, no complaints regarding the content.
- If students from CDD want an appointment from Atholl Johnston they need to email Denise Grant. AJ stated emails sent must be from a college email or this can cause difficulties such as email not being received potentially no response received.
- AJ to send formatting guidelines for assignments.
- Endnote training to upload from CDD to Genomics.

- NR & SK – gave feedback about what happens with Genomics and dissertation/research projects.
- Students raised across all programmes that there is no “App” for postgraduate students.

MSc Forensic Medical Sciences

Gabrielle (FMS Rep)

- All students enjoying the modules.
- Gabrielle stated some students feel that some content is “over their heads”.
- Too medical for some.
- AJ & NR gave examples of student needing to interact, conduct their own research, explore research on content they do not understand.
- Lecture revision will be provided closer to exam time by NPL.

MSc / PGDip Clinical Endocrinology

Farah (Clin Endo Rep)

- All going well, students very happy with all, students excited.
- Some lectures online with sound issues - MD aware of.
- Library hours – some would prefer to be able to use CHSQ, Whitechapel longer hours.
- Extra hours/power hours to keep for future years.
- Supervisor responses to always cc MD into email to ensure a response gets received.

See above.

2 Learning resources

- **Library facilities / materials (books, journals etc.)**
- **QMplus**
- **QReview**
- **Updates from faculty E-learning forums**
- **IT**

As discussed above.

Part 3 – Programme Delivery and Any Other Business

- Paula Funnel - End note.

Part 4 – Date of the next meeting

4 Next SSLC on 26th March 2020

