

Senate

Paper Title	Education Quality and Standards Board: Executive Summary
Outcome requested	The Senate is asked to note the summary.
Points for Senate members to note and further information	A high-level summary of the Education Quality and Standards Board (EQSB) meeting held on 23 November 2022. For fuller details on any of the points mentioned, including full
	papers and minutes, members are directed to the EQSB QMplus page: <u>https://qmplus.qmul.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=6851</u>
Questions for Senate to consider	None
Regulatory/statutory reference points	
Strategy and risk	
Reporting/ consideration route for the paper	Senate only.
Sponsor	Professor Stephanie Marshall, Vice-Principal (Education)



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APPROVED the minutes of the October 2022 meeting without amendment.

NOTED an update from the Vice-Principal (Education), addressing Education leadership, teaching, learning and assessment, the National Student Survey, student surveys, the Queen Mary Academy, the Office for Students and regulatory matters, and student engagement.

NOTED updates from the QMSU Faculty Vice-Presidents.

APPROVED two amendments to the terms and conditions for Queen Mary students undertaking a year abroad as part of their programme of study. From 2023-24 entry, students will need a weighted mark of 65.0+ rather than the current 60.0+ to successfully progress to the year abroad (excluding the BA in Modern Languages). Students taking a year abroad in 2023-24 or later will be permitted to take up to 25% of their overseas credits on a pass/fail basis (not applicable to students taking only one semester abroad).

ENDORSED updates to the Fitness to Study Policy, principally relating to formatting, nomenclature, and terminology. The name of the policy was discussed, with proposals made to adopt a name that better indicated the supportive nature of the procedure. The Directorate of Student Experience will bring the final version of the Policy to the Senate for approval.

APPROVED the terms of reference and membership of the EQSB Assessment Sub-Board and noted updates on the Sub-Board's work, which included the identification of ten key areas for review.

NOTED that programme reviews had been paused until later in 2022-23 while Queen Mary conducted additional benchmarking against the latest iteration of the OfS Conditions of Registration, noting that APR would be the primary means through which it tested and evidenced compliance with the Conditions.

NOTED updates on OfS Condition of Registration B3 and Queen Mary's outcomes related to the B3 indicators and split indicators.

NOTED an update on work on Queen Mary's 2021-22 Degree Outcomes Statement, which would include a response to the UUK commitment to return to pre-pandemic classification distributions for 2022-23.

CONSIDERED the 2021-22 report on suspensions of regulations, an updated version of which has been presented to the Senate, including the EQSB's feedback.

CONSIDERED the Queen Mary Academy's 2021-22 impact report and commended the Academy's work.

NOTED updates on the reaccreditation of Psychology programmes by the British Psychological Society (BPS).

CONSIDERED means to address outstanding investigations into academic misconduct, including a review of cases that impacted upon progression outcomes and a need for more Academic Misconduct Chairs.