



Senate

Paper Title	Taught Programmes Board
Outcome requested	Senate is asked to note the following proposals relating to programme and module academic developments that have taken place between 29 November 2023 and 26 February 2024.
Points for Senate members to note and further information	The Taught Programmes Board met on 17 January and 14 February 2024. This paper provides a high-level overview of the meetings and of the wider academic development activity during the current academic year. Full papers and meeting minutes are available on the TPB webpage .
Questions for Senate to consider	Comments from the Senate would be welcomed regarding the programme development process to strengthen the quality of the proposals submitted to TPB and the management of the University programme portfolio and its alignment with the 2030 Strategy.
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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The Board:

1. CONFIRMED the minutes and reviewed the actions of its previous meeting.
2. NOTED approval of the below listed programmes by Chair's action.

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

- Summer School: Cultural Treasures of London: A Journey Through Time

Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry

- MSc Gastroenterology - January Start
- MSc Healthcare Research Methods, FT by DL - January Start
- MSc Clinical Drug Development, FT by DL - January Start
- How to beat cancer: prevention, detection and treatment – New Summer school module
- SUM701S Environmental Health – Summer school module amendment

Faculty of Science and Engineering

- MSc Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning in Science FT&PT
- MSc Engineering Management
- MSc Biotechnology and Synthetic Biology

3. NOTED changes to membership.
4. NOTED the requirement of a QM Senior Executive Team (SET) approval for all new distance learning programmes.
5. CONSIDERED and SET CONDITIONS FOR THE APPROVAL of the below listed programmes and agreements.

Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry

- MRes Regenerative Medicine, Full time (onsite)
- MSc/PgDip Advanced Neonatal Practice, Part time (Distance Learning)

Global Engagement Office

- The Northern Consortium – NCUK Articulation Agreement
 - BSc Business Management (SBM)
 - BEng Electrical and Electronic Engineering (EECS)

6. CONSIDERED and DID NOT APPROVE the below listed programme.

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

- PgCert Aviation Law

7. REVIEWED the list of proposed new programmes.
8. AGREED on a need to enhance the portfolio management across the University.
9. RECEIVED an update on the academic developments received for the 11 December 2023 deadline.

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The Board:

10. CONFIRMED the minutes and reviewed the actions of its previous meeting.

11. NOTED approval of the below listed programmes by Chair's action.

Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry

- MRes Regenerative Medicine, Full time (onsite)
- MSc/PgDip Advanced Neonatal Practice, Part time (Distance Learning)

12. CONSIDERED and DID NOT APPROVE the below listed programme.

Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry

- BSc Pharmacology & Innovative Therapeutics (Distance Learning)
- BSc Pharmacology & Innovative Therapeutics (Part Time Distance Learning)

13. DISCUSSED follow up of development of new programme proposals.

Summary of Academic Developments in the year 2023-24

The table below summarises the academic developments processed in the academic year (reporting date 26 February 2024).

Part 1 Programme proposals	6
Part 2 Programme proposals – approved by TPB	1
Part 2 Programme proposals – approved by TPB Chair’s Action (following conditional approval by the Board)	9
Part 2 Programme proposals – considered but not approved by TPB	2
Programme amendments	189
Programmes suspensions / withdrawals	46
Programme title changes	6
Module proposals	239
Module amendments	247
Module withdrawals	130
Total of proposals, amendments and withdrawals	875

Comment on Academic Developments in the year 2023-24 to date

Taught Programmes Board has noted two areas that may benefit from review:

1. lower than expected recruitment on January start programmes approved late in year 2023.
2. potential CMA compliance concerns on amendments made to programmes for September 2024 start.

Taught Programmes Board is considering more stringent guidance and deadlines for programme proposals and amendments and placing more emphasis on resources and time necessary for marketing of newly approved programmes.