

Academic Partnerships Committee – Terms of Reference

2023-24

Parent body

Academic Board

Purpose

The Academic Partnerships Committee considers, monitors and reviews all formal academic partnership arrangements including (a) those which underpin or relate to the collaborative provision of educational programmes in the forms of progression (with recognition of credit), articulation, joint awards, validation, study abroad and off campus delivery; and (b) those which relate to other forms of activity or alliance, and involve contractual or signed agreements (including Memoranda of Understanding and Memoranda of Agreement).

These include partnerships established in the context of the Turing scheme and with the University of London, and other partnerships that are approved for the provision of distance and flexible learning.

It advises and makes recommendations on such partnerships to Academic Board and the Senior Management Team (SMT), and liaises with Learning, Teaching and Student Experience Committee (LTSEC), Quality and Standards Committee (QSC) and any other committees/sub-committees as appropriate.

Terms of reference

1. To consider and monitor Goldsmiths' strategic approach to the development of institutional academic partnerships both domestically and internationally.
2. To oversee and monitor the database of partnership contracts and agreements, including the Academic Partnerships Register, and to keep under review the format and content of contract templates.
3. To oversee and monitor the health and viability of Goldsmiths' partnership portfolio, considering key aspects of the management of these relationships and the quality of the student experience.

4. To approve and make recommendations to SMT or other committees, as appropriate, concerning proposals to establish or discontinue academic partnership arrangements.
5. To consider reports from Institutional Approval and Institutional Review advising SMT on any significant issues and making recommendations for ratification at Academic Board.
6. Where partnerships involve delivery of a partner's programme through validation or similar arrangements, or delivery of a programme of study involving elements delivered by both Goldsmiths' and the partner, to consider programmes for approval and make recommendations for ratification at Academic Board.
7. To review and approve, as necessary, any changes to the Academic Partnerships Framework.
8. To oversee adherence to academic partnerships policies and procedures, receiving and considering annual reports on academic partnerships, and drawing any issues or recommendations to the attention of relevant committees.
9. To receive an annual report of activities relating to staff and student mobility with partners, including through the Turing scheme, and to highlight to relevant committees, and academic departments as appropriate, any issues arising from this including ways in which such mobility might be enhanced.
10. To consider the academic operation of, and the contractual arrangements* for, the University of London programmes as well as any other distance and flexible learning partnerships, and to make recommendations to the Academic Board and/or other committees, as appropriate.
11. Reporting arrangements for the University of London programmes are articulated in the Quality Schedule which forms part of the contractual relationship with the University of London.

Members

Composition	Member	End of Term
Chair	Dr Stephen Graham [Music]	2026
Academic Director International Development and Academic	Paul Yuille	Ex officio
Director of Communication, Marketing and Recruitment	Dr Stephen Lake	Ex Officio

Composition	Member	End of Term
Associate Director Student Support Services	Rocchi Acierno	Ex Officio
Associate Director Internationalisation	Geraint Fox	Ex Officio
Head of Academic Partnerships	Vacant	Ex Officio
Head of International Recruitment and Global Opportunities	Nuria Prades Gonzalez	Ex Officio
Head of Student Success	Tobin Webb	Ex Officio
Director of TALIC	Fiona Handley	Ex Officio
Academic Lead for UoL Worldwide	Professor Robert Zimmer	Ex Officio
Head of the School of Professional Studies, Science and Technology	Matthew Cragoe	Ex Officio
Head of the School of Culture and Society	Professor Adam Dinham	Ex Officio
Member of the School of Professional Studies, Science & Technology	Gerald Lidstone	2024
Member of the School of Professional Studies, Science & Technology	Dr Cristina Ros I Sole	2024
Member of the School of Arts and Humanities	Dr Sarah Maitland	2026
Member of the School of Arts and Humanities	Jacqueline Pennell	2026
Member of the School of Culture and Society	Dr Alison Winch	2026
Member of the School of Culture and Society	Professor Abby Day	2025

Composition	Member	End of Term
SU Representative	Gammorah Britton-Gibson	2024
Secretary	Phoebe Yu	

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