

Register of Interests A – Board of Governors

Full Name	James Blake			
Date (dd/mm/yyyy) of Appointment to the Board of Governors	24 March 2017			
Committee Membership <i>(Please provide details of any UH Boards or Committees upon which you sit)</i>	Board of Governors; UH Trust (wound up 31 July 2020); Audit and Risk Committee			
Paid employment <i>(please state the nature of the employment and the employer's name covering the year to 31 July 2021)</i>	Chief Executive, YHA (England and Wales) Ltd. It is possible that YHA might partner with or provide services to the University, or vice versa, or that both organisations might apply for grants from the same bodies.			
Self-employment <i>(please state the nature of the business covering the year to 31 July 2021)</i>	n/a			
In this section, please provide the full legal name as shown at Companies House, together with a link to Companies House register (if possible)				
	Organisation Name <i>(Please provide the full legal entity name to include Ltd/plc if applicable)</i>	Company or Charity Number	Position Held	Date (dd/mm/yyyy) of appointment/resignation <i>(if position was not held for the full year)</i>
Charity trusteeships <i>(please provide the full legal name of the charity/charities)</i>	None except UH			
Directorships held <i>(please list any directorships of companies registered under the Companies Act, whether remunerated or not)</i>	None except UH and YHA.			
Share/equity holdings <i>(the names of companies in which you own 5% or more of share capital)</i>	n/a			
Other relevant interests¹ <i>(including related party transactions)</i>	My wife Margaret Blake is a Research Director of Ipsos MORI, who might potentially provide research services to the University.			
Other relevant appointments² <i>(Please include dates)</i>	n/a			
Other details which you feel should be included on the Register	Previously the University were partners to a joint bid (led by YHA) to the Government (DEFRA) to support a programme about outdoor learning for disadvantaged schools. The contact at UH is Dr Frances Harris. The bid was unsuccessful but the two organisations continue to work together. I am not personally involved in the details of the consortia or bid, and the contact did not			

¹ For example, where your employer, business associates, spouse/partner or other family member has a direct interest in the supply of goods or services to the University; or where you or your spouse/partner or other family member has a substantial beneficial interest in the securities of a company or other body that is involved in the supply of goods or services to the University. Please detail the name of the individual(s), their relationship to you and their interest in the matter; the matter itself and the amounts involved.

² For example, membership of any statutory or other body of any other educational institution or organisation in the education sector, membership of a University Conference, General Council or equivalent, membership of a Funding Council, the QAA or a Research Council, membership of any validating or awarding body in the education sector, membership of any relevant governmental or institutional advisory committee.

Declarations for Year ending 31 July 2021

	<p>originate from me. One of my Exec Directors in YHA has been asked (and has agreed) to support an application for a UH Readership for Dr Frances Harris (School of Life and Medical Sciences). I do not know Dr Harris myself and have nothing to do with the internal promotion process at the University.</p> <p>I have discussed with the Dean of Education (Lyn Trodd) the potential to explore mutual interests between YHA and the University in the field of outdoor education and learning. This would be similar to conversations held with senior staff at other universities, to make connections between staff with similar interests in both organisations. In the last year this has involved members of my team supporting UH colleagues developing a Masters Programme in Outdoor Education.</p>
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DECLARATION	
<p>By submitting this request where indicated below, I confirm that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I have declared all interests in accordance with UPR GV12 • I understand that my entry on the Register of Interests will be displayed on the University website* (contact details will be treated in confidence in accordance with the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679). • I will inform the Secretary and Registrar or Company Secretary of any significant changes. <p><i>(*Members of the UH Board of Governors only)</i></p>	
Signed:	Date: 19 August 2021

PLEASE ENSURE ALL BOXES ARE COMPLETED. IF THERE IS NO RELEVANT INFORMATION, RECORD 'NONE' OR 'N/A'