

UNIVERSITY OF HERTFORDSHIRE HIGHER EDUCATION CORPORATION

ACADEMIC BOARD

(Amendments to the version published previously are shown in italics.)

QUORUM – 10 of whom one shall be the Vice-Chancellor or the Deputy Vice-Chancellor

The following Terms of Reference and Composition of the Academic Board are laid down in the Articles of Government of the University of Hertfordshire. These were approved by the Privy Council on 17 July 1995 and adopted on behalf of the University by the Board of Governors on 7 November 1995. They state:

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Extract from the Articles of Government (GV01-Articles of Government-v02.0.doc)

“3.3 The Academic Board

3.3.1 Subject to the provisions of these Articles, to the overall responsibility of the Board of Governors, and to the responsibilities of the Vice-Chancellor, the Academic Board shall be responsible for:

- (a) general issues relating to the research, scholarship, teaching and courses at the University including criteria for the admission of students; the appointment and removal of internal and external examiners; policies and procedures for assessment and examination of the academic performance of students; the content of the curriculum; academic standards and the validation and review of courses; the procedures for the award of qualifications and honorary academic titles; and the procedure for the expulsion of students for academic reasons. Such responsibilities shall be subject to the requirements of validating bodies if these exist;
- (b) considering the development of the academic activities of the University and the resources needed to support them and for advising the Vice-Chancellor and the Board of Governors thereon;
- (c) advising on such other matters as the Board of Governors or the Vice-Chancellor may refer to the Academic Board.

3.3.2 The Academic Board may establish such committees as it considers necessary for purposes enabling it to carry out its responsibilities provided that each establishment is first approved by the Vice-Chancellor and Board of Governors. The number of members of any such committee and the terms on which they are to hold and vacate office shall be determined by the Academic Board.”

In exercising its responsibilities, as described in the Articles of Government (see above and UPR GV01), the Academic Board will ensure, and provide assurance to the Board of Governors in respect of, its compliance with the Office for Students (OfS) ongoing conditions of registration relevant to its remit, and otherwise as determined by the Board of Governors.

COMPOSITION

Extract from the Articles of Government (GV01-Articles of Government-v02.0.doc)

“4 ACADEMIC BOARD

4.1 There shall be an Academic Board of no more than **34** members, comprising the Vice-Chancellor, who shall be Chair, and such other numbers of staff and students as may from time to time be approved by the Board of Governors. The Vice-Chancellor may nominate a Deputy Chair from among the members of the Academic Board to take the Chair in

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his/her place. The period of appointment of members and the selection or election arrangements shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Governors.

- 4.2 In addition to the Vice-Chancellor, at least half of the members of the Academic Board shall be drawn from senior management, Deans and heads of academic and related departments. The remainder of the Academic Board shall be drawn from elected Academic and officer staff, students and co-opted members.
- 4.3 The Board of Governors shall be responsible for approving the detailed membership profile both between and within the categories identified in Article 4.2 following the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor who will, previously, have consulted the Academic Board. The Board of Governors will also be responsible for determining the period of office of persons elected to the Academic Board and for approving the methods of election.”

Category

1	Vice-Chancellor who shall be Chair of the Board	1
2	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Vice-Chair of the Board)	1
3	Secretary and Registrar who shall be Secretary to the Board	1
4	Pro Vice-Chancellors	2
5	Four (4) Deans of School, nominated by the Deans of School for terms of office of three (3) years	4
6	Academic Registrar	1
7	Chief Information <i>and Digital</i> Officer	1
8	Dean of Students	1
9	The President of the Students' Union or one (1) student nominated by the Trustees of the University of Hertfordshire Students' Union	1
10	Two (2) students, nominated by the Student Representative Council	2
11	Two (2) members of the professional staff elected by the professional staff	2
12	Eight (8) members of the academic staff elected by the academic staff	8
13	A teacher nominated by the Academic Board to serve as a member of the Board of Governors following election by the academic staff as a whole	1
		<u>26</u>

Officers in attendance

Group Finance Director (to attend as required)
Director of the Doctoral College¹
Director of Academic Quality Assurance (or Deputy)
Director of Learning and Teaching
Director of Marketing and Communications
Deputy Secretary and Registrar and Head of Corporate Services
Clerk appointed by the Head of Governance Services

ELECTION

In all elected categories, members may serve for up to two consecutive three-year terms of office (assuming a successful re-election for a second three-year term), following which a break of at least one three-year term of office must occur before seeking re-election.

¹ The Director of the Doctoral College is also the Director of Research Degrees

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Category 12: 'Eight (8) members of the academic staff elected by the academic staff'

The Board of Governors has agreed that the method of election to be employed for the purposes of category 12 should be a Single Transferrable Vote system. Where an election is held to fill a single vacancy this will become an Alternative Vote system.

MEMBERSHIP

Category

1	Vice-Chancellor who shall be Chair of the Board	Professor Quintin McKellar
2	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Vice-Chair of the Board)	Professor Julie Newlan
3	Secretary and Registrar who shall be Secretary to the Board	Sharon Harrison-Barker
4	Pro Vice-Chancellors	
	Pro Vice-Chancellor (Education and Student Experience)	Dr Mairi Watson
	Pro Vice-Chancellor (Research and Enterprise)	Professor John Senior
5	Four (4) Deans of School, nominated by the Deans of School for terms of office of three (3) years	
	to 31.08.2024	<i>Dr Daniel McCluskey</i>
	to 31.08.2024	Professor Jackie Kelly
	to 31.08.2024	Professor Damian Ward
	to 31.08.2025	Penny Carey
6	Academic Registrar	Julie Kelly
7	Chief Information and Digital Officer	David Gillard
8	Dean of Students	Geraldine Ward
9	The President of the Students' Union or one (1) student nominated by the Trustees of the University of Hertfordshire Students' Union	
	to 09.07.2023	<i>Aman Tripathi</i>
10	Two (2) students, nominated by the Student Representative Council	
	to 09.07.2023	[Aman Tripathi]
	to 09.07.2023	Hamnah Baig
11	Two (2) members of the professional staff elected by the professional staff	
	to 31.08.2024	Lucy Bamwo
	to 31.08.2024	Pam Lambert
12	Eight (8) members of the academic staff elected by the academic staff	
	to 31.08.2023	Dr Michael Callan
	to 31.08.2024	Associate Professor Martina Doolan
	to 31.08.2024	Joanna Rawska
	to 31.08.2024	Amanda Yip
	to 31.08.2025	Dr Joel Carlton
	to 31.08.2025	Dr Funlade Sunmola
	to 31.08.2025	Dr Amy Wells
	to 31.08.2025	Dr Luke Wood

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- 13 A teacher nominated by the Academic Board to serve as a member of the Board of Governors following election by the academic staff as a whole to 31.08.2025 [Dr Joel Carlton]

Officers in attendance:

Group Finance Director (to attend as required)	Alistair Moffat
Director of the Doctoral College ¹	Dr Susan Grey
Director of Academic Quality Assurance (or Deputy)	Professor Frank Haddleton (Catherine Rendell)
Director of Learning and Teaching	Professor Helen Barefoot
Director of Marketing and Communications (or Deputy)	Associate Professor Sarah Flynn Jo Stuart (Karen Chater)
Deputy Secretary and Registrar and Head of Corporate Services	Helen Davidson
Clerk appointed by the Head of Governance Services	<i>Marie Lowe</i>

Members = 26

Officers in attendance = 7

[Member in more than one category.]

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