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1. Report from the meeting of the University Campus Suffolk Joint Academic Committee held on 10 March 2011

Attached at Appendix 1 is a report from the meeting of the University Campus Suffolk Joint Academic Committee held on 10 March 2011.

Recommendations

- (i) that the following courses be approved for a period of five years commencing September 2011, subject to the conditions and recommendations outlined in the validation reports being met by agreed deadlines:

UCS Bury St Edmunds

- BA / BA (Hons) Children's Care, Learning and Development (level 6 progression route)

UCS Ipswich

- CertHE / DipHE / BA / BA (Hons) Children, Young People and Policy

UCS Otley

- CertHE Fishery Management
- FdSc Fishery Management and Sustainable Aquaculture

- (ii) that the following course be approved with immediate effect:

UCS Lowestoft

- CertHE Social Pedagogy

- (iii) that the following courses be discontinued with immediate effect:

UCS Ipswich

- CertHE Financial Services
- DipHE Interior Design and Digital Modelling
- CertHE Sports Management

UCS Lowestoft

- CertHE / FdA Event Management (Hospitality)
- CertHE / FdA Event Management (Leisure)
- CertHE / FdA Event Management (Tourism)

University of East Anglia and University of Essex

UNIVERSITY CAMPUS SUFFOLK JOINT ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

REPORT TO UNIVERSITY OF EAST ANGLIA LEARNING AND TEACHING COMMITTEE (MAY 2011)
AND UNIVERSITY OF ESSEX SENATE (APRIL 2011)

Report from the meeting of the University Campus Suffolk Joint Academic Committee held on 10 March 2011.

ITEMS FOR DECISION

1 VALIDATION OF NEW COURSES

Recommended to the Senates of both Universities

that the following courses be approved for a period of five years commencing September 2011, subject to the conditions and recommendations outlined in the validation reports being met by agreed deadlines:

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- BA / BA (Hons) Children's Care, Learning and Development (level 6 progression route)

UCS Ipswich

- CertHE / DipHE / BA / BA (Hons) Children, Young People and Policy

UCS Otley

- CertHE Fishery Management
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Recommended to the Senates of both Universities

that the following course be approved with immediate effect:

UCS Lowestoft

- CertHE Social Pedagogy

2 COURSE DISCONTINUATION

Recommended to the Senates of both Universities

that the following courses be discontinued with immediate effect:

UCS Ipswich

- CertHE Financial Services
- DipHE Interior Design and Digital Modelling
- CertHE Sports Management

UCS Lowestoft

- CertHE / FdA Event Management (Hospitality)
- CertHE / FdA Event Management (Leisure)
- CertHE / FdA Event Management (Tourism)

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1 NEW COURSES APPROVED TO PROCEED TO PUBLICITY AND VALIDATION

Approved PGCert / PGDip / MA Arts Practice (UCS Ipswich) to proceed to publicity and validation.

2 PROPOSAL FOR INTRODUCTION OF POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH DEGREES AT UCS IPSWICH

Received An initial proposal to introduce research degree provision at UCS Ipswich from 2011/12, in line with the UCS Strategic Plan to encourage research-informed teaching and to attract high calibre staff to UCS. It was the intention to introduce research degree provision on a limited basis, with a small number of suitably qualified and experienced staff acting as supervisors initially.

Members were generally supportive of the proposal, which was regarded as a logical stage in the evolution of UCS, but felt there was scope to explore potential frameworks for the delivery of provision at this level (and the associated costs of developing the necessary infrastructure) prior to an approval event in the summer term. The potential models of delivery would be discussed further by a small working group, and a draft approval process developed for approval by the validating universities.

3 ANNUAL ACADEMIC REPORT 2009/10

Approved UCS annual academic report for 2009/10, which was commended as an excellent and clear summary of the previous academic year.

4 OFSTED INITIAL TEACHER EDUCATION INSPECTION REPORT

Received Ofsted inspection report and action plan for the PGCE/CertEd (Lifelong Learning Sector) programmes. The Grade 3 (satisfactory) outcome was noted. Although there had been many examples of good practice in individual Learning Network Centres, Ofsted had flagged issues relating to the overall management of the partnership across all centres. This was now being addressed by UCS.

Dr Kay Thompson
Secretary to the UCS Joint Academic Committee
March 2011