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Issue

An update on Partnerships Office activity from January to March 2014.

Recommendation

The Learning and Teaching Committee is asked to note the Partnerships Office activity from January to March 2014.

Resource Implications

Not applicable.

Equality and Diversity

Not applicable.

Further Information

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Background

The Learning and Teaching Committee receives a report at every meeting providing an update on Partnerships Office activity.

Discussion

1. **QUALITY ASSURANCE AND QUALITY ENHANCEMENT ACTIVITY**

1.1 New Academic Model/ Bachelors and Integrated Masters Award Workshops

The series of workshops on UEA's New Academic Model/ Bachelors and Integrated Masters Award (BIM) and implications for partners continue with events scheduled to be held with INTO Norwich on 2 April and Mountview Academy of Theatre Arts on 28 April. The workshops, led by the Academic Director of Taught Programmes, are focussing on the principles behind BIM and opportunities for these to be rolled out with partners

2. **INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS**

2.1 Partnerships Office International Activity Summary

A summary of Partnerships Office international activity, which was reported to the International Executive on 11 February 2014, is attached as Appendix 1.

2.2 International Partnerships Handbook

The International Partnerships Handbook has been revised and updated to include more guidance on articulation arrangements and assessment of potential partners.

The handbook is available at:

<https://www.uea.ac.uk/partnerships/international/International+Handbook>

3. **UNIVERSITY CAMPUS SUFFOLK**

3.1. Joint Academic Committee

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on Wednesday 5 March will be available for the next meeting.

The next meeting of the Committee is on Wednesday 4 June

3.2 Application for Taught Degree Awarding Powers (TDAP)

An extraordinary meeting of the UCS Academic Board was held on Wednesday 12 March to consider the submission of the TDAP application for consideration by the Committee on Degree Awarding Powers (ACDAP) in May 2014. It is anticipated that the TDAP scrutiny process will commence during the 2014/5 academic year.

3.3 QAA Higher Education Review

UCS has been advised by the QAA that its Higher Education Review will take place week commencing 10 November. UCS is currently having discussions with the QAA to determine if aspects of the Taught Degree Awarding Powers scrutiny process could run concurrently with this.

4. CITY COLLEGE NORWICH

4.1 Joint Board of Study

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 7 March will be available for the next meeting.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 27 June.

5. EASTON&OTLEY COLLEGE

5.1 Transfer of Programme Validation from University Campus Suffolk

It has been agreed that the validation of programmes based at the Otley campus will be transferred from University Campus Suffolk to UEA. A separate report, also included in section C of this agenda, outlines the rationale for this decision and the process for implementing the transfer.

5.2 Joint Board of Study

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 26 February will be available for the next meeting

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 11 June.

6. MOUNTVIEW ACADEMY OF THEATRE ARTS

6.1 QAA Review

A QAA review for Specific Course Designation took place on 16 and 17 January. The report, which is attached as Appendix 2, highlighted five areas of good practice including the strong working with relationship with UEA and the detailed understanding, mapping and implementation of the Quality Code

The review found that confidence could be placed in the standards of the programmes delivered and the quality and enhancement procedures. It also found that reliance could be placed on the information the Academy produces regarding the learning opportunities it offers.

6.2 Joint Board of Study

The next meeting of the Joint Board of Study is scheduled for 25 April

6.3 Mountview and UEA Collaboration

Mountview and the School of Film, Television and Media Studies have made arrangements with the Summer School team for a joint Summer School programme to be delivered jointly, half of which will be delivered here and half of which will be delivered at Mountview.

6.4 UEA Learning and Teaching Day

The Academy's Head of Acting and Musical Theatre (Undergraduate) will be leading a session on learning and teaching strategy development at UEA's Learning and Teaching Day on 8 May.

7. **INTO UEA NORWICH**

7.1 Joint Board of Study

The next meeting of the Joint Board of Study (including INTO London) is scheduled for 2 April. Minutes will be available for the next meeting.

8. **UEA London**

8.1 Withdrawal from UEA London

The management of the validated provision programmes throughout the withdrawal period is considered in an action plan which is included in Section B of this agenda.

8.2 Joint Board of Study (LAD)

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 13 March will be available for the next meeting.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 24 July.

9. **INSTITUTE OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE STUDIES, GUERNSEY**

9.1 Joint Committee

The next meeting of the Joint Committee is scheduled for 20 March. Minutes will be available for the next meeting.