

LTC14D090/091

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Issue

Course closures of:

BA International Relations and European Politics	U1L291302
BA International Relations and European Politics	U1L291301
MA International Relations and European Politics	T1L251101
MA International Relations and European Politics	T1L251201

For Politics.

Recommendation

Recipients are invited to endorse the closure of the courses.

Resource Implications

None

Risk Implications

None

Equality and Diversity

None

Timing of decisions

N/A

Further Information

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Background

The final part time student will complete this course in September 2015, full time students complete in 2014. The proposal is to close the courses to any further enrolments. The reason for the closure is due to low recruitment coupled with the fact it is resource intensive to run

Discussion

N/A

Attachments

Course closure form

Learning and Teaching Committee of Senate

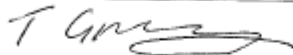
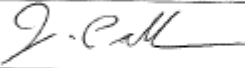

COURSE CLOSURE

Faculty	HUM	School	PSI	
Courses to be closed				
Course Title (incl. award)		Course Code	UCAS Code	
BA International Relations and European Politics		U1L291302	L291	
BA International Relations and European Politics		U1L291301	L291	
MA International Relations and European Politics		T1L251101	n/a	
MA International Relations and European Politics		T1L251201	n/a	
Academic year students will be / were last admitted to the above course(s)			2014-15 (BA) 2015-16 (MA)	
Are the above courses currently advertised in a prospectus?			Yes	X
			No	
Are there applicants for the above course(s) currently in the system?			Yes	X
			No	
Date course will cease to be delivered (i.e. academic year in which final student(s) will complete / completed)			June 2018 (BA) Sept 2016 (MA)	
Will there be students continuing on the course after it ceases to recruit?			Yes	X (BA)
			No	X (MA)
If yes, how many?			Yr2	3
			Yr3	6
			Ind/Abr	
			Yr4	
What are the implications for students currently on the course(s)?				
None – courses and modules will continue to run as per profile until all students have completed. Compulsory modules all recruit well from other courses and will continue.				

Plans for phasing out (including when all students should complete, modules to be offered during the phase out period)		
Modules are selected from the standard catalogue offerings of HUM Schools – no special arrangements are required		
Have continuing students affected by the closure of the course been consulted?	Yes	
	No	X
Reasons for discontinuation of course		
Continuing low recruitment on all courses – well below threshold of 10 students		
An Equality Impact Assessment Screening has been carried out (and is attached for the Head of School and Associate Dean)	Yes	
	No	X
A full Equality Impact Assessment has been carried out (and is attached for the Head of School and Associate Dean)	Yes	
	No	X
Who has been consulted in reaching the decision to close the course? (e.g. Marketing & Admissions Service)		
AD Admissions (HUM), Admissions Director (PSI)		
Signature of Course Director		Date
Mike Bowker		25/7/14
Signature of Head of School		Date
Lee Marsden		25/7/14
Signature of Associate Dean LTQ		Date
Dr Clive Matthews		08 October 2014

Once complete, please email a copy of this proforma to

- **Faculty Admissions Manager**
- **Marketing and Admissions Services**
- **Planning Office (CAMS Manager)**
- **Faculty Manager – Taught Programmes**
- **Learning, Teaching & Quality Office (for report to LTC)**

convenor in each case decides that it is worthwhile to go ahead. The final PT student will be supervised for his dissertation in 2015 and complete in summer 2015.		
Have continuing students affected by the closure of the course been consulted?	Yes	
	No	x
Reasons for discontinuation of course		
<p>The course has recruited modestly in the two years that it has run, with around 6 students per year. This year applications have been very low and to date we have received only four viable applications, despite considerable investment in advertising. As a cross-faculty, multi-disciplinary course with three specialised core modules, a specialised introductory module and a dissertation module, it is a resource intensive course to run. We have had on-going difficulties throughout the set-up period and running of the course with key teaching and convening personnel leaving the University, together with some structural difficulties resulting from the multi-school cross-faculty administration required.</p>		
An Equality Impact Assessment Screening has been carried out (and is attached for the Head of School and Associate Dean)	Yes	
	No	x
A full Equality Impact Assessment has been carried out (and is attached for the Head of School and Associate Dean)	Yes	
	No	x
Who has been consulted in reaching the decision to close the course? (e.g. Marketing & Admissions Service)		
The core teaching and convening team: Dr T. Greaves (PHI); Dr R. Read (PHI); Dr Paul Warde (HIS); Dr A. Haxeltine (ENV); Mr Steve Waters (LDC)		
Signature of Course Director	Date	
	30/5/14	
Signature of Head of School	Date	
	02/06/14	
Signature of Associate Dean LTQ	Date	
	June 11th 2014	

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