

University Research Committee Membership & Terms of Reference

Membership

Provost (Chair)	Prof John Charmley
Deputy Provost (Deputy Chair)	Prof Symeon Dagkas
Assoc Dean for Research & Enterprise – Sport, Allied Health and Performance Sciences	Dr Jamie North
Assoc Dean for Research & Enterprise – Liberal Arts (Institute of Theology and Liberal Arts)	Dr Kim Salmons
Assoc Dean for Research & Enterprise – Institute of Business, Law and Society	Dr Michelle Paull
Research Lead - Institute of Business, Law and Society	Prof Karen Sanders
Director of Research – Theology (Institute of Theology And Liberal Arts)	Prof Peter Tyler
Programme Lead – EdD and Education	Dr Christine Edwards-Leis
External Member	Prof Ron Barnett
PGR Student representative - Sport, Allied Health and Performance Sciences	Fiona Leggat
PGR Student representation – Institute of Theology And Liberal Arts	Nicholas Ellsworth
PGR Student representation – Institute of Education	Abi Maguire, Amy Strachan (EdD)
PGR Student representation – Institute of Business, Law and Society	Amy Plummer
Finance Representative	Ben Williamson
Director of Enterprise and Innovation	Jenny Willott
Head of Research Services (Secretary)	Claire Tapia
Research administrator (note taker)	Kim Wright

Terms of Reference

1. To oversee and assess the implementation of the University's Research Strategy, providing appropriate supportive mechanisms.
2. To recommend the approval of the establishment of University Research Centres and to monitor their performance
3. Through the REF Group, to be responsible for the University's submission to assessments of research quality, notably REF2021.

4. To drive the strategy and related actions for the University's application for Research Degree Awarding Powers (RDAP). Post-RDAP, through the Research Student Sub-Committee/Research Degrees Committee* to oversee the progression and completion of doctoral students.
5. To identify key research and REF activities requiring central funding and to be responsible for such funding.
6. To shape and implement the central University's REF sabbatical scheme.
7. To support and monitor applications for external research funding. To ensure that successful grant awards are delivered and they are compliant with the funder requirements.
8. To proactively seek opportunities to increase PGR student numbers and to approve University funded studentships, as appropriate.
9. Through the Ethics Sub-Committee, to ensure compliance with the University's ethical guidelines for research and keep those guidelines under review.
10. To promote equality and diversity within the remit of the Committee.
11. To consider any other matters referred to the University Research Committee
12. To report to appropriate senior committees of the University.

Sub-Committees and Groups:

The University Research Committee maintains two standing sub-committees and one working group:

- Ethics Sub-Committee
- Research Degrees Committee
- The REF Group

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