TRUSTEE BOARD

COVER SHEET

Title:	Deputy President Education – Report
Agenda item:	10
Action requested:	For information Termly reports, to be taken as read.
Executive Summary:	 Please summarise: To summarise the work undertaken in the first few months of the role. Some expertise and support in certain areas requested from Trustee members. All sections for information
Summary of recommendations:	

Luke McCrone - Deputy President (Education) Trustee Board report

Much has happened since the start of the year. However, there are hurdles and challenges that exist which the support of the Trustee Board can help to overcome.

Postgraduate Wednesday afternoons

Progress update: Paper has been complied and will be presented at VPAGE on Wednesday 13th October. Faculty members have agreed to communicate with courses infringing the policy.

Where you can help: This is an institutional challenge for Imperial and the Union. I would welcome your expertise and advice on how you can facilitate effective communication between the top layers of an organisation (those who should be willing to back this campaign) and the course programme level which this policy directly affects day-to-day (the individuals who inevitably offer more resistance). Which other stakeholders should we be communicating with, apart from leading College members, to build momentum on this?

Imperial educational strategy

Progress update: Simone (Vice-Provost Education) has agreed that this is needed. Simone has been given money to invest in this area; Nas and I have been invited to work with her on deciding where this money should go.

Where you can help: This is a much greater opportunity than I could have anticipated. It is a chance for us to be innovative in our thinking and directly contribute to evolving Imperial's educational and pedagogic approaches. Part of this involves looking outwardly to other institutions to research best practice. Nonetheless, this is an incredibly time-consuming aspect of the process and is something I simply can't fit into my current schedule. A collaborative effort from the Trustee Board with exploring educational best practice in other institutions, especially practice which is applicable and relevant to Imperial, would go a long way in assisting me with this. How can we work together to shape Imperial's changing education? A fantastic opportunity for the Union.

Feedback Traffic Light system

Progress update: System is currently used in Life Sciences. Engineering have shown interest in developing a similar system which monitors the timeliness of feedback. ICT are on board with making this increasingly user-friendly.

Where you can help: Assistance with ascertaining an understanding of any software/digital systems which exist on the market. Once again, how are other institutions mitigating the problems around poor satisfaction with feedback? A requirement to look outwardly.