

Imperial College Union Council Report

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Please find below my report for June's Union Council. I have included the final bullet point of each section from my last Council report to set the scene:

Goals:

Year 1 Undergraduate Coursework Feedback Audit – completed

- *Final point from last report: I have presented the feedback audit at the Quality Assurance and Enhancement Committee*
- **Completed – the feedback audit has been finalised and presented**

StudentShapers (confirmed title)

- *From last report: The StudentShapers steering team will be attending the Change Institute initiative, part of the International Institute on Students as Partners scheme, between June 11-14. I will report outcomes of the Change Institute at the next Union Council*
- The Change Institute is facilitated by leaders in students as partners initiatives, and will help us to best plan the next steps
- The team currently responsible for steering *StudentShapers* comprises the: *StudentShapers* Director; Deputy President (Education) incumbent; Deputy President (Education) elect; Graduate Students' Union President; College Education Strategy Officer; Union Education & Welfare Manager
- At the time of writing we have completed the first day of the Change Institute
- So far we have explored general concepts and potential pitfalls of students as partners initiatives. The following few days look to focus more on our unique project
- We have presented a poster co-authored by the Union and College titled: *Empowering a student representation network to work on projects as student partners to enhance student experience: Case Studies from Imperial College Union*
- **In progress – the next DPE will continue to work with the College to steer the *StudentShapers* initiative**

Postgraduate Timetabling – completed

- *From last report: We will be presenting the findings of this work at May's Quality Assurance and Enhancement Committee*
- Luke and I have presented the audit at the *Quality Assurance and Enhancement Committee*
- **Completed – the postgraduate timetabling audit has been finalised and presented**

The operational tasks of note are listed overleaf:

Operations:

NSS Response – completed

- *From last report: I have asked that the NSS Response Action Plan is presented at the May Provost's Board*
- I have presented the first ever NSS Action Plan at the May Provost's Board
- Provost's Board has endorsed the first ever NSS Action Plan
- Please find the final NSS Action Plan attached as an appendix
- **Completed – the first ever NSS Response Action Plan has been completed**

PRES Response

- *From last report: We will be discussing the remaining recommendations at our next meeting. As the GSU President was away in Japan we have postponed this meeting to a later date, yet to be confirmed*
- **In progress – the final meeting will be on 20th June**

Student Academic Choice Awards (SACAs) – completed

- *From last report: The Awards Ceremony is scheduled for 14 May, where winners will be announced*
- The winners of the 2018 SACAs have been announced
- Overall, 1868 individual nominations were cast, the highest ever
- Meaningful nominations (over 50 words) were shared with nominees, for the first time ever
- **Completed – the 2018 SACAs have been completed, with the highest ever number of nominations**

Student involvement in the curriculum review

- *From last report: I submitted a written report to the Learning & Teaching Committee communicating the experiences of student involvement in the curriculum review process within departments, based on reports at ERB*
- I have added 'student involvement in the curriculum review process' as a standing item in the ERB agenda to ensure that any cases of frustration or dissatisfaction with the process are not missed
- I will be presenting a second update on student involvement in the curriculum review at June's Learning & Teaching Committee
- **In progress – the next DPE will continue to work to ensure there is adequate student involvement in the curriculum review process**

Thank you to all the Reps and fellow Council members who have worked with me this year. We have achieved a lot, and it would not have been possible without you all,

Wishing you all the best for the future,

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