

## Senate

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<b>Subject:</b>	Statute XIV (The Senate)
<b>Origin:</b>	Academic Registrar (Secretary to Senate & General Assembly)
<b>Action Required:</b>	Senate is asked to recommend to Council amendments to Statute XIV to comply with a request from the Privy Council, to ensure consistency of wording with the University Charter in relation to the conferral of Degrees, Diplomas, Certificates and the granting of other academic distinctions in conjunction with other institutions, including dual and joint awards.

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### Background

When reviewing a previous request from the University to amend Statute XIV, the Privy Council asked that a further small change was put forward, in order to ensure consistency of wording with the University Charter in relation to the conferral of Degrees, Diplomas, Certificates and the granting of other academic distinctions in conjunction with other institutions, including dual and joint awards.

### Extract from Statute XIV (The Senate) with Proposed Amendments

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The Senate shall exercise full responsibility over the academic work of the University and shall, subject to these Statutes, take such measures and act in such a manner as shall appear to it best calculated to promote the academic work of the University both in teaching and research and for the regulation and superintendence of the education and discipline of the students of the University. Subject to the Charter and these Statutes, the Senate shall, in addition to all other powers vested in it, have the following functions:

- i. To regulate and control all teaching, courses of study and research and the conditions qualifying for admission to the various titles, degrees and other distinctions offered by the University.
- ii. To regulate the admission of persons to courses of study or research.
- iii. To elect members of the Council as provided for under Statute XIII.
- iv. To review from time to time the duties of all members of the Academic Staff.
- v. To recommend to the Council the establishment of new academic posts in the University and if it thinks fit to recommend that any vacant post be not filled.
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  - a. To appoint Examiners whether internal or external.

- b. To regulate all University examinations.
- vii. To terminate the studies of any student where the work of the student is found to be unsatisfactory.
- viii. To confer Degrees, Diplomas, Certificates and grant other academic distinctions on and to persons who shall have pursued a course of study or research approved by the Senate, who shall have passed the examinations and satisfied any other conditions prescribed in the Ordinances or Regulations.
- ~~ix. To grant Diplomas, Licences, Certificates or other distinctions to persons who have pursued a course of study or research approved by the Senate under conditions prescribed by it.~~
- ix. To confer Degrees, Diplomas, Certificates and grant other academic distinctions in conjunction with other institutions on and to persons who shall have pursued a course of study or research approved by the Senate, who shall have passed the examinations and satisfied any other conditions prescribed in the Ordinances or Regulations, including dual and joint awards.
- x. To accept such examinations and periods of study or research at such Universities or other places as the Senate may determine as equivalent to such examinations and periods of study or research in the University as the Senate may determine.
- xi. To accept courses of study or research in any other institution which in the opinion of the Senate possesses the means of affording the proper instruction for such courses as equivalent to such courses of study or research in the University as the Senate may determine.
- xii. To determine what formalities shall attach to the conferment of Degrees and other distinctions.
- xiii. On what it shall deem to be good cause, to deprive persons of any Degrees or other distinctions conferred on them and to revoke any Diplomas, ~~Licences~~, Certificates or other distinctions granted to them by the University and to withdraw all privileges connected therewith.
- xiv. To be responsible for the general administration of the University Library and other general academic services.
- xv. To recommend to the Council the institution of Fellowships, Scholarships, Studentships, Exhibitions, Bursaries and Prizes and other aids to study and research.
- xvi. To prescribe, subject to any conditions made by the Founders and to any directions of the Council, the terms and conditions of competition for Fellowships, Scholarships, Studentships, Exhibitions, Bursaries and Prizes and to examine for and award the same.
- xvii. To supervise the extra-mural work of the University.
- xviii. To make recommendations to the Council on any matter of interest to the University.
- xix. To regulate the use of academic dress in the University.
- xx. To promote research within the University and to require reports from time to time on such research.
- xxi. To regulate the discipline of the University.
- xxii. To take such steps as it thinks proper for regulating organisations of Students.
- xxiii. Subject to the provisions of Statute XXIV, to expel any Student who appears to the Senate after consideration of a report from a body established under Ordinance to have been guilty of grave misconduct.

- xxiv. Except as otherwise provided, to appoint representatives of the University on other bodies.
- xxv. To report to the Council from time to time as to the expediency of the establishment and dissolution of organs of academic administration and to make recommendations as to their constitution and functions and the modification or revision thereof.
- xxvi. To review, amend, refer back, control or disallow any act of any such organ of academic administration and to give directions to any such body.
- xxvii. Generally to exercise all such powers as are or may be conferred on the Senate by the Charter and these Statutes including the power to make Regulations in the exercise of the powers expressly set out in this Statute and of all the other powers of the Senate.

### **Next Steps**

The proposed amendments will be presented to Council at its meeting on 3 April 2014 and, if approved, confirmed at the July meeting of Council with a view to approval by the Privy Council in the summer 2014.