

Senate



AGENDA SEN25-A1

Notice of meeting

A meeting of Senate will be held on Wednesday 12 March 2025, at 10.30am in LDN104, LU London. This is an in-person meeting with the option to join remotely where attendance in-person is not possible.

Dr J C Nutkins, Secretary

1 Business of the Agenda

Any member wishing to speak to a starred item is asked to give notice to Dr J C Nutkins by noon on Monday 10 March 2025.

2 Minutes

To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on 6 November 2024 (**SEN24-M4**), and, subject to any correction, to sign them.

3 Matters arising from the Minutes

- 3.1 Any matters arising not appearing elsewhere on the Agenda.

SECTION A – Items for Discussion

4 University Strategy

- 4.1 Update on EDI Leadership

To consider a verbal update on EDI Leadership.

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- 4.2 KPI Framework

To consider an update on the KPI framework, and to approve in principle a re-phasing of annual milestones for KPIs on 1) research awards; 2) research student population; and 3) international student population.

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4.3 Enabling Projects

To consider an update on the University Strategy Enabling Projects Programme.

4.4 Commercial Strategy

To comment on the approach and broad outline of the commercial strategy, ahead of its consideration at Finance Committee.

5 Establishment of Associate Pro Vice-Chancellor Roles

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To approve the establishment of two Associate Pro Vice-Chancellor roles to support the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Research & Innovation) in leading the delivery of the Research and Innovation Core Plan.

6 Diversity of Senate Membership

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To consider the annual report on the diversity of Senate membership.

7 Pay Gap Reporting

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To note the latest pay gap data based on the March 2024 census date and next steps.

8 Staff Experience Survey

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To note the results from the 2024 Staff Experience Survey.

9 Policy on Public Statements by the University

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To recommend to Council for approval a policy on public statements by the University.

10 Health, Safety and Environment Committee

SEN25-P8

To consider Health and Safety Bulletins for October 2024 – February 2025.

11 Matters for Report by the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Education and Student Experience)

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11.1 To consider matters for report by the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Education and Student Experience).

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11.2 To consider the annual Academic Assurance Report.

12 Matters for Report by the Chief Operating Officer acting in lieu of the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Equity, Diversity and Inclusion)

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To consider a report.

13 Matters for Report by the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research and Innovation)

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To consider a report.

14 Matters for Report by the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Sport)

SEN25-P13

To consider a report.

15 Matters for Report by the Provost and Deputy Vice-Chancellor

SEN25-P14

To consider a report.

16 Honorary Degrees and University Medals

SEN25-P15 (to be tabled)

Pursuant Statute XVIII and with the advice of the University Honours Committee, to make a recommendation to Council regarding persons to be invited to receive Honorary Degrees and University Medals at future Degree Congregations.

17 Matters for report by the Vice-Chancellor

SECTION B – Starred Items for Approval

***18 Revocation of University Honours**

SEN25-P16

To recommend to Council for approval proposals for more formal arrangements for the revocation of Honorary Degrees and University Medals

***19 Retrospective Approval of Joint PhD Programmes**

SEN25-P17

To note the action of the Vice-Chancellor on behalf of Senate in retrospectively approving the following Joint PhD Programmes:

- i) Joint PhD with University of Witwatersrand
- ii) Joint PhD with Stellenbosch University

***20 Personal Titles Sub-Committee – Senior Professor Membership**

SEN25-P18

To approve proposals from the Vice-Chancellor and Provost to appoint three senior Professors to Personal Titles Sub-Committee to serve during 2024/25 and 2025/26.

***21 Finance Committee**

SEN25-P19

*21.1 To receive minutes of the meeting of Finance Committee on 30 October 2024 and 10 January 2025.

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*21.2 To approve amendments to the Terms of Reference of Finance Committee relating to the Commercial Strategy.

***22 Education and Student Experience Committee**

SEN25-P21

*22.1 To receive minutes of the meeting of Education and Student Experience Committee on 31 October and 11 December 2024, and 23 January 2025.

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*22.2 To recommend to Council for approval amendments to Ordinance IV (Titles of Degrees and Conditions of Award) for the introduction of degree awards in Law, with effect from 2025/26.

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*22.3 To approve amendments to Regulation XX (Undergraduate Awards) relating to Pass Marks and Capping of Level 7 Modules.

***23 Research and Innovation Committee**

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*23.1 To receive minutes of the meeting of Research and Innovation Committee on 19 November 2024 and 11 February 2025.

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*23.2 To approve amendments to the Composition of Research and Innovation Committee.

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*23.3 To approve an update to the standard PhD programme to include 'Law' in the Subject offering.

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*23.4 On the recommendation of Research and Innovation Committee, to approve revisions to Regulation XXVI (Research Degree Programmes) relating to the examination process.

***24 Amendment to Ordinance V (The Chancellor - Appointment of a Successor)**

SEN25-P28

To recommend to Council for approval an amendment to Ordinance V (The Chancellor – Appointment of a Successor) to clarify the process for appointing a new Chancellor and to remove the requirement for a 'special meeting' of Council as special meetings are no longer used to consider business.

SECTION C – Starred Items for Information

***25 Sustainability Strategy**

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To note the draft Sustainability Strategy.

***26 Appointment of Deans**

To note the appointment of Professor Aidan McGarry as Dean of LU London, from 9 December 2024 until 8 December 2029.

***27 Establishment of New Department in SSH (Loughborough Law)**

To note the establishment of Loughborough Law in the School of Social Sciences and Humanities (previously noted by Senate by circulation).

***28 Loughborough Students' Union Constitution Review**

To note that a review of the Loughborough Students' Union Constitution is taking place, and that a report will be submitted to the June 2025 meetings of Senate and Council.

***29 Student Discipline**

To note the action of the Vice-Chancellor, on behalf of Senate, in terminating the registration of a student following a Student Disciplinary Panel constituted under Ordinance XVII on 21 January 2025.

***30 Prizes Committee**

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To note the Prizes Committee report for 2023-24.

***31 Appointments to the Academic Staff**

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To note appointments to the Academic Staff.

***32 Programme Proposals**

To note the action of the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (E&SE), on behalf of Senate, in approving the following:

- (i) New programmes
From Sept 2025
MArch Architecture (Professional)
MSc Computer Science
BSc/MSci Computer Science and Cyber Security
MSc Design and Artificial Intelligence
MSc Electrical and Electronic Engineering

MSc Engineering Management
MSc Management and Artificial Intelligence
MSc Project Management
MSc Sport and Artificial Intelligence
MSc Supply Chain Management

(ii) Major changes

With immediate effect

Part I to become integral but optional for the following programmes:

BSc Accounting and Financial Management
BSc Business Analytics
BSc Finance and Management
BSc International Business
BSc Management
BSc Marketing and Management

From Sept 2025

2024 entrants onwards:

BEng/MEng Chemical Engineering (2024 entrants onwards)

2025 entrants onwards:

MBA Business Administration (full-time)
MBA Business Administration with Internship (full-time)
BSc Computer Science
BSc Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence
BSc Computer Science and Mathematics
BSc Computing and Management
BSc Information Technology Management for Business
PGCE Mathematics (extended by two weeks)
PGCE Physical Education (extended by two weeks)

(iii) Suspension of programmes

MBA Business Administration (Executive version) (Last intake: Oct 2023; Proposed next intake: Sept 2026)

MBA Business Administration (Apprenticeship) (Last intake: Oct 2023; Proposed next intake: Sept 2026)

MBA Sport Management (No previous intakes: Proposed next intake: Sept 2026)

MBA Sport Management (Apprenticeship) (No previous intakes: Proposed next intake: Sept 2026)

MSc Sport Management (part-time version) (Last intake: Oct 2024; proposed next intake Sept 2026)

MSc Sport Management, Politics and International Development (part-time version)
(Last intake: Oct 2024; proposed next intake Sept 2026)

(iv) Termination of programmes

MSc Data Driven Design (No previous intakes)

MSc Engineering Design (Last intake: Sept 2024)

BA Liberal Arts (Last intake: Sept 2025)

MSc Mechanical Engineering (Last intake: Sept 2024)

BSc Psychology in Education (Last intake: October 2024)

(v) Exit Award for Loughborough College Programme

Existing programme: BSc Sport and Exercise Therapy

Exit award where criteria for an accredited degree not been met: BSc Sport and Health Studies

***33 Reports from Committees**

To receive reports from the following Committees:

- *33.1 **SEN25-P32** Arts Committee on 29 October 2024 and 28 January 2025.
- *33.2 **SEN25-P33** EDI Committee on 24 October 2024.
- *33.3 **SEN25-P34** Human Resources Committee on 2 October 2024 and 29 January 2025.
- *33.4 **SEN25-P35** Infrastructure Committee on 18 November 2024.
- *33.5 **SEN25-P36** SPaRC Part B: Resources on 7 October, 4 November, 2 December 2024, and 13 January and 10 February 2025.
- *33.6 **SEN25-P37** Sport Committee on 24 October and 5 December 2024.
- *33.7 **SEN25-P38** Student Discipline Committee on 21 January 2025.

***34 Waiver of Regulations**

To note that the Academic Registrar has approved waivers to Regulations in relation to individual students. (Further details are available from the Secretary).

***35 Date of Remaining Meeting in 2024-25**

Wednesday 11 June 2025, 10am, University Stadium Conference Space

***36 Any Other Business**

Any member wishing to raise an issue is asked to notify Dr J C Nutkins by noon on Monday 10 March 2025.