

THE UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER
SCHOOL OF LAW

POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Thursday 11th May 2017

Present: Professor Yenkong Ngangjoh Hodu (Chair), Ms Jackie Boardman, Ms Helen Davenport, Dr Francesco Giglio, Ms Laura Littlewood, Dr Alex Mullock, Ms Abi Robinson

Apologies: Ms Margaret Cunningham, Dr Ian Fishwick, Mr Bill Heberton, Ms Caroline Henaghan, Ms Edita Pymm, Ms Hannah Wishart

Unreserved Business

1. Minutes

Minutes received and agreed.

2. Matters Arising

Noted No matters arising.

3. Chair's Report

Reported

1. Yenkong had recently attended a Faculty meeting where the PRES non-responders had been raised. Since the announcement of a prize draw of Amazon vouchers being made, the number of responses had increased.
2. A new proposal from DASS in relation to PGR students had been raised at the meeting. The current reports from DASS are not suitable for PGR students.
3. All the studentships had now been offered and an updated list had been circulated. One EPSRC studentship had been offered. The applicant who had been offered an AHRC studentship was considering accepting a Wellcome Trust award. Another round of ESRC applications would be happening, with a deadline of 30 June.

4. Admissions Report

Reported The Admissions figures for the September 2017 intake were good - 40 offers had been made, with 20 acceptances – 10 home and 10 overseas. This was on target for overseas, but slightly down for home. There were 23 Law applications, 5 Bioethics and Medical Jurisprudence and 9 Criminology. Laura was in the process of chasing people before going on maternity leave. Amy Colasurado would, initially, be covering for Laura. David Booton would act as cover for the Programme Director from 1 June until someone is appointed.

5. Student Business

Reported

1. The possibility of students being able to apply for PGR Support Awards during their submission pending period was raised.
2. Books for the Lee Gillon memorial were being put in the PGR Common Room. The books need to be sorted and this would take place over the summer. The students had requested that a message should be sent to Lee's parents, thanking them for the donation.
3. A request for a new kettle for the PGR Common Room had been made.

Noted

Thanks to Helen for making the arrangements for the PURE profiles.

Agreed

1. The requests for PGR Support Awards during the submission pending period would be considered on a case-by-case basis and could be granted in exceptional circumstances. This would come into effect from September 2017.
2. A request for a new kettle would be sent to the Staff Resources Office.

6. Any Other Unreserved Business

None