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## **SENATE**

A meeting of the Senate of the University will be held in the Keeton Lomas Lecture Theatre, Armstrong Building on Wednesday 25 June 2025 from 2.00-5.00pm.

There shall be no discussion at Senate on any items in Section 5 of the agenda unless the Vice-Chancellor determines otherwise or unless a member of Senate notifies the Vice-Chancellor or the Registrar at least twenty-four hours before the meeting of their wish to have such discussion.

18 June 2025

Dr C Campbell  
Registrar

## **AGENDA**

Any member of Senate who has a pecuniary, family or other personal interest in any matter under discussion at any meeting of Senate shall as soon as practicable disclose that fact to the meeting. The Chair shall determine whether the member shall withdraw from the discussion. A member is not, however, considered to have a pecuniary or personal interest in matters under discussion merely by being a member of staff or a student of the University.

### **1. Preliminary business**

#### **1.1. Minutes**

For decision: Senate is asked to approve the Minutes of the meeting of Senate held on 30 April 2025 and the Minutes of the extraordinary meeting of Senate held on 21 May 2025.  
**(Documents A1;A2)**

#### **1.2. Matters arising from the Minutes**

#### **1.3. Vice-Chancellor and President's Business**

For information: The Vice-Chancellor and President's report is attached as  
**(Document B)**

#### **1.4. Summary Report from Council, 2 June 2025**

For information: To receive a summary report from the meeting of Council that took place on 2 June 2025.  
**(Document C)**

## **2. Monitoring of academic performance**

### **2.1. Minutes from Committees of Senate**

For information: The following meetings of Senate committees have taken place and the minutes from each committee are provided for information. An update from the Committee Chairs will be provided during the meeting.

- a) University Education Committee: 14 May 2025 **(Document D)**
- b) University Global Committee: 23 January 2025 **(Document E)**
- c) University Research and Innovation Committee: 18 March 2025 **(Document F)**

## **3. Strategic items**

### **3.1. Building a simplified curriculum - proposal for a new Qualifications, Credit and Programme Design Framework (QCPDF)**

For discussion: To receive a proposal from the Pro-Vice-Chancellor Education. **(Document G)**

### **3.2. Leading Edge Curriculum - Education for Life Skills and Attributes Approach**

For information: To receive a paper from the Pro-Vice-Chancellor Education. **(Document H)**

### **3.3. Senate Oversight of Education and Research**

For discussion: To receive a paper from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor. **(Document J)**

### **3.4. AI Safety Institute NUCoRE**

For discussion: To receive an update from the Pro-Vice-Chancellor Research and Innovation. **(Document K)**

### **3.5. White Space**

For discussion: To receive an update on scholarship strategy.

For discussion: Members of Senate are invited to raise other academic matters for further investigation and consideration. The Chair will propose how such matters should be addressed.

## **4. Reserved Business**

### **4.1. Academic distinctions - Honorary Degrees (Statute 29(4))**

For decision: To receive a report from the meeting of Honorary Degrees Committee which took place on 12 June 2025. **(Document L)**

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### **4.2. Academic distinctions – title of Professor Emeritus (Statute 29(4))**

For decision: In accordance with Statute 29(4), Senate may accord the title of Professor Emeritus on professors retiring from the University.

Senate is asked to approve the proposal in the attached report from the Vice-Chancellor, following consultation with the Faculty Pro-Vice-Chancellor, for the conferment of the title of Professor Emeritus. **(Document M)**

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## **5. Other Business**

### **5.1. Senate-Appointed Chairs and Members of University Committees 2025 Exercise**

For information: To receive a report. **(Document N)**

### **5.2. Annual Report from University Research Ethics Committee**

For information: To receive a report. **(Document O)**

### **5.3. Reported Business**

For information: A report of action taken in accordance with agreed procedures, approved where necessary by the Vice-Chancellor on behalf of Senate and/or the Chair of Council on behalf of Council, and by other University bodies and Chairs. **(Document P)**