

# **PGR (MRes/PhD) GRADUATE STAFF-STUDENT LIAISON COMMITTEE**

## **Minutes of the GSSLC Meeting held on**

**17 March 2021**

Present: Andrea Guerrieri D'Amati (Secretary), Immanuel Feld, Nick Scholz, Jeremy Smith,  
Pablo Beker, Lucia Ashley, Srinjoy Sen

Apologies: Jennifer Smith, Helen Riley, Stephanie Redding, Cora Neumann, Omiros Kouvavas

### **1. Declarations of interest**

Nothing to discuss.

### **2. Resources (Library/IT)**

Nothing to discuss.

### **3. Skills development and Careers**

Nothing to discuss.

### **4. Minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

Nothing to discuss.

### **5. Matters Arising**

Payment to international students in “red list” countries: some students who were not based in the UK due to the pandemic were having issues with receiving payments, thus forcing them to come back. Jeremy pointed out that this is an issue that is also affecting members of the faculty who are based overseas, but he was not aware of any of these issues for students. He will follow up on the topic.

Reopening in term 3: reopening of the department building will most likely follow the one in term 1, with students following social distancing rules and signing in before coming in. However, this will obviously depend on government regulations.

## **6. Teaching and Learning**

Math module: there was a suggestion to replace/expand the math pre-session module and make it a term module. However, this might be difficult to implement on a logistic and financial level given the small size of each cohort. An alternative solution could be to take modules offered by the math department or make the pre-session course lecture recordings available for all cohorts in the program.

## **7. Assessment and Feedback**

Nothing to discuss.

## **8. Student Support and Guidance**

Nothing to discuss.

## **9. Equality, Diversity and Inclusivity**

Nothing to discuss.

## **10. Any other business**

Extension to dissertations deadline: Jeremy is not aware of any “blanket” extension due to COVID-19, as they are usually dealt on case-by-case, but he will look into that and follow up on this.