

## **LTSEC – Learning, Teaching and Student Experience Committee**

LTSEC is a committee whose purpose is to advise the Academic Board on University strategy and policies that foster and encourage excellence in learning and teaching and the student experience. This committee oversees the development, implementation and evaluation of the University's Learning and Teaching Strategy and associated strategies, policies (such as the Student Charter) and procedures relating to learning, teaching, and the student experience. The SU sends two student representatives to this committee (Officers) as well as a member of staff as an observer.

## **HEAR – Higher Education Achievement Report**

The HEAR records and recognises student achievement. It also acknowledges the range of opportunities that UK Higher Education Institutions offer to their students.

## **NUS – National Union of Students**

The NUS is a student-led and democratic organisation. By representing students' interests nationally and developing research that influences national policy, the NUS take on issues that affect the lives of students. The organisation aims to shape the future of education by fighting discrimination, isolation and injustice through campaigns and targeted action. You can find out more about NUS on their website and here.

## **OfS – Office for Students**

The OfS is a new public body, established by the Higher Education and Research Act 2017, and will become operational in April 2018. Replacing the Higher Education Funding Council of England (HEFCE) and the Office for Fair Access (OFFA), the OfS will act as a regulator for the Higher Education sector. With a focus on student experiences and interests, the OfS will pay close attention to student participation, success and employability.

## **TEF – The Teaching Excellence and Student Outcomes Framework**

As a scheme designed by the Government, the TEF aims to measure the things students care about the most to ensure high quality experiences. The TEF provides prospective students with the necessary information to help them make an informed choice about where they choose to study. Participating providers receive a gold, silver or bronze award that reflects the excellence of their teaching, learning environment and student outcomes. You can read more about our previous TEF submissions here.

## **SLT – Senior Leadership Team**

This refers to the senior leadership team of the University.

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