

ACRONYMS USED IN THE TEACHING QUALITY ASSURANCE MANUAL

For acronyms specific to Degree Apprenticeships please visit the Glossary in the Special Provisions for Degree Apprenticeships.

ACO	Academic Conduct Officer
ACWM	Average Credit-Weighted Marks
ADE	Associate Dean of Education
AMR	Annual Monitoring Review (PGR)
AMR	Annual Module Review (UG, PGT and Professional Doctorates)
AHRC	Arts and Humanities Research Council
APAC	Assessment, Progression and Awarding Committees
APCL	Accredited Prior Certified Learning
APEL	Accredited Prior Experiential Learning
APL	Accreditation of Prior Learning
APP	Access and Participation Plan
APVCE	Associate Pro-vice-Chancellor for Education
APVCR	Associate Pro-Vice Chancellor for Research
ARON	Academic Representation Operations Network
ARTMAP	Approval and Revision of Taught Modules and Programs Handbook
ARTS	Annual Review of Teaching Scheme
ATAS	Academic Technology Approval Scheme
BA	Bachelor of Arts
BBSRC	Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council
BALEAP	British Association of Lecturers in English for Academic Purposes
BEng	Bachelor of Engineering
BMBS	Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery

BSc	Bachelor of Science
CAS	Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies
CDTs	Centres for Doctoral Training
CEDAR	Clinical Education Development and Research
CertHE	Certificate of Higher Education
CMA	Competition and Markets Authority
CMS	Curriculum Management System
COPE	Committee on Publication Ethics
COS	Certificate of Sponsorship
CPD	Continuing Professional Development
CQF	Credit and Qualifications Framework
CRA	Consumer Rights Acts (of 2015)
DBA	Doctor of Business Administration
DC	Doctoral College
DCQD	Doctoral College Quality Development Team
DEP	Deputy Education Partner
DESE	Director of Education and Student Experience
DoE	Director of Education
DClin PGR Programmes	Doctor of Clinical Postgraduate Research Programmes
DClinPsy	Doctor of Clinical Psychology
DClinRes	Doctor of Clinical Research
DClinPrac	Doctor of Clinical Practice
DEdPsy	Doctor of Educational Psychology
DFO	Director of Faculty Operations
DForenPsy	Doctor of Forensic Psychology

DfTS	Dean for Taught Students
DPPClinPrac	Doctor of Psychodynamic/Psychoanalytic Clinical Practice
DipHE	Diploma of Higher Education
DPGR	Director of Postgraduate Research
DDPGR	Department Director of Postgraduate Research
DPVC	Deputy Pro-Vice-Chancellor
DSA	Disabled Students' Allowance
DSE	Display Screen Equipment
DTP	Doctoral Training Partnership
DVC	Deputy Vice Chancellor
EDI	Equality, Diversity and Inclusion
ECTS	European Credit Transfer System
EdSEEC	Education and Student Experience Executive Committee
EE	External Examiner
EEG	External Engagement and Global
ELE	Exeter Learning Environment (a Virtual Learning Environment, VLE)
EngD	Doctor of Engineering
EPA	End Point Assessment
EPAO	End Point Assessment Organisation
EPQS	Education Policy, Quality and Standards Team
EPSRC	Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Councils
ESAP	English for Special Academic Purposes
ESAW	Education Support Advisors for Welfare
ESE Modules	Environment, Science and Economy Module Records system
ESG	Education Strategy Group

ESRC	Economic and Social Research Council
FAPAC	Faculty Assessment Progression and Awarding Committee
FPE	Full Person Equivalent
FPEP	Faculty Programme Enhancement Process
FCDO	Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office
FCH	Flexible Combined Honours
FD	Foundation Degree
FdA	Foundation Degree in Arts
FDCert	Foundation Certificate
FDPGR	Faculty Director of Postgraduate Research
FdSc	Foundation Degree in Science
FHEQ	Framework for Higher Education Qualifications
FLC	Foreign Language Centre
FT	Full Time
FTE	Full Time Equivalent
FtP	Fitness to Practise
FTPG	Faculty Taught Portfolio Group
GAE Visa	Government Authorised Exchange Visa
GDPR	General Data Protection Regulation
GEC	Global Engagement Committee
GenAI	Generative Artificial Intelligence
GIL	Guided Independent Learning
GMC	General Medical Council
GTA	Graduate Teaching Assistant
HA	Higher Apprenticeship

HEI	Higher Education Institute
HESA	Higher Education Statistics Agency
HoD	Head of Department
HRBP	Human Resources Business Partner
HWSS	Health Wellbeing & Support for Study
HWSSP	Health, Wellbeing & Support for Study Procedures
IA	Independent Assessor
IAB	International Study Centre Academic Board
IDA	Integrated Degree Apprenticeship
IELA	International English Language Assessment
IELTS	International English Language Testing System
ILO	Intended Learning Outcome
ILP	Individual Learning Plan
IPR	Intellectual Property Rights
ISSO	International Student Support Office
IT	Information Technology
ITT	Initial Teacher Training
KIT	Keeping in Touch (days)
KSB	Knowledge, Skills and Behaviours
KTP	Knowledge Transfer Partnership
LLO	Library Liaison Officer
LTHE	Learning and Teaching in Higher Education
LTS handbook	Learning and Teaching Support Handbook
MA	Master of Arts
MBA	Master of Business Administration

MByRes	Master by Research (Research Programme)
MCT	Multiple Choice Test
MD	Doctor of Medicine
MEng	Master of Engineering
MI	Management Information
MOOC	Massive Open Online Course
MOA	Memorandum of Agreement
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MPA	Master of Public Administration
MPhil	Master of Philosophy
MPhys	Master of Physics
MRC	Medical Research Council
MRes	Master of Research (Taught Programme)
MS	Master of Surgery
MSc	Master of Science
MyPGR	Online tool for PGR students to record meetings with supervisors
NEIC	Non-Examining Independent Chair (PGR)
NERC	Natural Environment Research Council
NIDA	Non-Integrated Degree Apprenticeship
NMC	Nursing and Midwifery Council
NSS	National Student Survey
NQF	National Qualification Framework
OAR	Ongoing Achievement Record
OAS	Other Advanced Studies
OfS	Office for Students

OH	Occupational Health
OIA	Office of the Independent Adjudicator
ORE	Open Research Exeter
PAD	Practice Assessment Document
PBS	Points Based system
PCAP	Postgraduate Certificate of Academic Practice
PDP	Personal Development Planning
PDQE	Programme Design and Quality Enhancement
PDR	Performance and Development Review
PGCE	Postgraduate Certificate in Education
PGCert	Postgraduate Certificate
PGDip	Postgraduate Diploma
PGR	Postgraduate Research
PGRLF	Postgraduate Research Liaison Forum
PGRSG	Postgraduate Research Strategy & Operations Groups
PGT	Postgraduate Taught
PhD	Doctor of Philosophy
PPF	Partnership Proposal Form
PRA	Postgraduate Research Associated
PRES	Postgraduate Research Experience Survey
PSRB	Professional, Statutory and Regulatory Bodies
PT	Part Time
PTA	Postgraduate Teaching Associate
PTES	Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey
PTS	Personal Transferrable Skills

PVC	Pro-Vice Chancellor
QAA	Quality Assurance Agency
QCUK	Quality Council for UK Higher Education
QIP	Quality Improvement Plan
QR	Quality-related Research
QREF	Quality Review and Enhancement Framework
RCUK	Research Councils UK
RDP	Researcher Development Programme
RIEC	Research and Impact Executive Committee
RILLD	Research Inspired Inquiry Led Learning and Development
RPL	Recognition of Prior Learning
RQF	Regulated Qualification Framework
RSA	Repeat Study (with attendance)
RTSG	Research Training Support Grant
RWA	Resit Without Attendance
SACO	Senior Academic Conduct Officer
SAR	Self-Assessment-Report
SAS	Student Academic Support
SEAS	Student Employability and Academic Success
SELT	Standard English Language Test
SEEC	Student Experience Executive Committee
SEP	Senior Education Partner
SITS/SRS	Student Records System
STFC	Science and Technology Facilities Council
SVP	Student Voice Partnership
Students' Guild	Exeter Students' Guild (Exeter campuses)

Students Union	Falmouth and Exeter Students' Union (Cornwall campuses)
TEF	Teaching Excellence Framework
TNE	Transnational Education
TOEFL	Test of English as a Foreign Language
TPRB	Taught Portfolio Review Board
TQA Manual	Teaching Quality Assurance Manual
UAPAC	University Assessment, Progression and Awarding Committee
UCAS	Universities and Colleges Application Service
UEB	University Executive Board
UG	Undergraduate
UKRI	UK Research & Innovation
UKVI	UK Visas & Immigration
USPEA	Unsatisfactory Student Progress, Engagement and Attendance Policy
VC	Vice Chancellor

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