

EXTERNAL EXAMINING HANDBOOK

4. Other Forms of Externality

4.1 External Assessor (Programme Approval)

An External Assessor is consulted in the process of significant amendments to taught programmes/modules, or for new taught programmes. Further information, including the criteria for appointment and roles and responsibilities can be found in the Approval and Revision of Taught Modules and Programmes Handbook, Chapter 4, Academic Approval. This role is also applicable to the taught modules for PGR Professional Doctorate Programmes. Further information regarding Professional Doctorates can be found in the PGR Handbook, Chapter 10, Code of Good Practice - Professional Doctorate Postgraduate Research Programmes.

4.2 External Advisor (for curriculum review, reviews of programmes, and other specialist support)

An External Advisor is consulted in the process of curriculum review, local-level reviews/ reviews of programmes, and other specialist support as appropriate.

4.3 Principal External Examiner (Degree Outcomes and Standards)

The role of the Principal External Examiner is to provide external scrutiny, quality assurance, and advice in relation to the University's annual internal institutional review and external publication of degree classifications and academic outcomes for students. Further information on this cycle of activity, and the role of the Principal External Examiner within it, can be found in Chapter 13 of the Assessment, Progression and Awarding Handbook. The criteria for appointment, roles and responsibilities, criteria for and process of appointment, reporting and support requirements, and remuneration can be found via the link below [[Annex-PEE](#)].