**Education Committee – summary of meeting held on 19.10.21**

1. **Education governance structure**

The group discussed the new education governance structure. It was noted that the [Education Committee](https://www.imperial.ac.uk/about/leadership-and-strategy/provost/vice-provost-education/education-committee-/) would be one of three committees reporting to Provost’s Board, alongside the Research and Operations Committees. Two new sub-groups will report to the Education Committee: (i) the Student Experience Committee; (ii) the Teaching and Learning (Product) Board. Terms of Reference (ToR) and memberships for both of these sub-groups were discussed and will be finalised in due course.

The Committee agreed that the College would need a governance structure in place which reflected how seriously it takes quality assurance and regulatory requirements. Work is underway to determine exact areas of responsibility for the various educational governance groups across the College.

1. **Future modes of education**

The Committee discussed the movement away from managing the challenges of the pandemic towards determining the strategy for education in the future, including:

* Ensuring that UG, PGT, and PGR programmes (including non-credit bearing ones) strengthen elements of the Academic Strategy and complement research elements.
* Developing a flexible offer of lifelong learning opportunities for students.
* Fostering a community in which different backgrounds and cultures are celebrated.
* Investing in virtual and physical space to deliver a tech-driven student experience.
* Enhancing the student experience and administrative infrastructure.

1. **Race Equality Charter action plan**

It was noted that the Committee would have oversight of those actions relating to education and the student experience, and that an updated version would be presented at a future meeting.

1. **2021 NSS**

The group noted the recommendations from ICU following the 2021 NSS and agreed to discuss the ownership of the NSS action plan between the various meeting groups and committees.

1. **Update from Teaching and Learning (Product) Board**

A brief update from the first meeting of the Teaching and Learning (Product) Board was given. It was noted that the sub-groups attached to this board were finalising their ToRs and that the board would be discussing prioritisation of projects and student input into the prioritisation process at their next meeting.

1. **LTS projects**

The group discussed the progress of various projects under the Learning and Teaching Strategy, including funding opportunities, Postgraduate Curriculum Review, and I-Explore.

1. **Academic Partnerships**

An overview of the areas of work covered by the various teams within Academic Partnerships was presented to the committee, including outreach programmes and targets, maths initiatives, community engagement at White City, public engagement, and international relations.

1. **Student Experience Survey**

The committee noted that the Student Experience Survey would be running between Friday 10 December 2021 and Monday 7 February 2022. The newly-formed Student Experience Committee will be responsible for reviewing results and action plans from the survey.

The next meeting of the Education Committee will be held on **18 November 2021**.