

Deputy President (Education) Report

A report by Douglas Hunt

Between 08/01/13 – 03/02/13 I have been up to the following:

Meeting with Dep Reps

I have been meeting with Dep Reps this term, to have a catch-up meeting with them all and to let them know what I am up to. As of today I still need to arrange meetings with 7 more academic reps.

Training of Dep Socs

Becky, Henry and I have started the process of finding whether we can offer training to the newly elected departmental society committees in the summer term. I initially wanted to do this so the Mums and Dads scheme can be improved for next year, but it was quickly recognised that we should offer more training than this. A process has started of identifying other areas we should focus on.

Education & Representation Board

As part of the Pro Rector (Education)'s consultation on her strategic education plan, the Education and Representation Board met up on the 14th January, so I could brief them on the process and so we could come to a collective opinion (via a survey) on where quality of the education Imperial College London offers can be improved. We will meet up with Debra on 7th February and the survey results will help guide ERB's opinion.

Rep Week 2013

I have been collecting "You Said, We Did" examples for Rep Week 2013, which gives the academic representation system a chance to promote the success that have taken place due to them. It also gives a chance for the academic reps to get an idea of what improvements their students want and they can discuss this at their next Staff-Student Committee.

Collecting Staff-Student Committee minutes

An ICU paper went forward to the College's Quality Assurance and Enhancement Committee that requested the Director of the Graduate Schools and the Dean of Students to request the PG and UG SSC minutes to be sent to the Union's representation coordinator. This was passed and I have been working with Union staff to make sure this takes place.

Aldwych in Belfast

Becky and I attended the fourth Aldwych meeting of the year, which was hosted by Queens University Belfast. As we aren't part of the NUS, it was very useful to know what is happening in the HE sector and the good practise of other Student Unions.

Great Soc Off 2.0

I have managed to secure sponsorship funding from Teach First that will be used to partly fund inflatables on the night. I have also made the Departmental Societies aware that this is taking place on 7th March, so they can start planning.

Exam times

I emailed the examination officers of each department to get a timetable of the exam times, so the Union bar is adequately staffed. I have forwarded on this term's dates to the bar staff and will chase up the summer term dates in mid-March.

NSS promotion

Due to the academic rep system and departmental staff pushing the NSS, we are currently at a 48% response rate across the College (compared to 18% last year). We are hosting the latest response rates on our website and this URL has been promoted to departmental staff/academic reps.

I have also been making response rate graphs, which have been put on TV screens across campus and used in the Felix.

Attended various College meetings and committees

- 08/01/13 – e-learning Strategy Committee
- 10/01/13 – FoNS Teaching Committee
- 15/01/13 – GTA training working party
- 15/01/13 – Meeting with Eryl Price-Davies, Head of Co-Curricular Studies
- 16/01/13 – Went to Silwood
- 17/01/13 – Quality Assurance and Enhancement Committee
- 21/01/13 – Meeting with Richard Thompson, Dean of FoNS
- 22/01/13 – Business School teaching committee
- 22/01/13 – Meeting with Debra Humphris, Pro Rector (Education)
- 23/01/13 – Met with a Nanyang Technological University delegation.
- 24/01/13 – Strategic Education Committee
- 24/01/13 – Master's Quality Committee (Business, Engineering & Physical Sciences)
- 28/01/13 – Master's Quality Committee (Humanities, Life Sciences & Medicine)
- 29/01/13 – Meeting with Andrew George, Director of the Graduate Schools
- 30/01/13 – Undergraduate Admissions Committee
- 31/01/13 – Education Day talk with Sarah Worton, School of Professional Development
- 31/01/13 – Student Centric Board Meeting