

Deputy President (Education) report to Union Council

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Highlights:

- NSS Response 2019
- PRES Response 2019
- Rep Academy (rep training CU/Dep reps)
- Catch-ups with reps

College Meetings & Prep	Student + Union Meetings & Prep	Education/personal project work (major goals)	Other matters
22%	54%	24%	<1%

Updates:

- NSS/PRES Responses – revamped, **fresh design – thanks to design team!**
- **NSS Response 2019**
 - Well received at Faculty Education Committees, and Learning & Teaching Committee
 - Recommendations presented at, and endorsed by, the **Provost's Board**
 - Referred to **NSS/PTES Working Group** for actioning
- **Postgraduate Research Experience Survey (PRES) Response 2019**
 - Consulted and collaborated with appropriate reps (GSU)
 - Report again highlighted lack of **parity of student experience** and the **interconnectedness of issues**, particularly connections to **supervision**
 - **Recommendations** to College *and* Union across 8 categories
 - Well received at Postgraduate Research Quality Committee (PRQC)
 - Referred to **smaller Working Group** for actioning
- **Rep training** delivered to (many, but not all) **faculty** and **department** reps; well received
- **Rep training** delivered to (many, but not all) **year** reps; well received
- First ERB meeting well attended by reps
- Catch-ups with Dep/CU reps, been really helpful (thank you!)

Upcoming:

In the process of meeting individually with reps (Faculty (CU)/Department)

Finish rep training

Implementation and tracking of recommendations (will be a huge, ongoing project!)

Key goals:

Goal 1: NSS & PRES Response – **NSS complete, PRES complete**

- Consult and collaborate with appropriate reps
- Write response (& recommendations) to NSS and PRES surveys in order to send to relevant committees on time
- Send, present, discuss at appropriate (senior) College committees

Goal 2: Assessment & Feedback – **Beginning**

- Ensure clear assessment criteria and quality, timely feedback
- NSS recommendations regarding Assessment and Feedback will be discussed and worked out, to move toward implementation, at the NSS Working Group (and hopefully a specific group/team will be formed)
- Will require **input** from the **Education and Representation Board** along the way

Goal 3: Student Engagement in Curriculum Review – **Beginning**

- College rolling out new curricula across many (most) UG programmes (degrees) — and some PGT programmes, particularly in Faculty of Medicine — and will require ongoing input and review from student reps
- College undertaking PGT curriculum review, and will require student consultation
- Will require **input** from the **Education and Representation Board**, and many year/dep reps, along the way

Goal 4: Postgraduate Research Student Experience – **In progress**

- **Postgraduate Research Experience Survey (PRES) Response 2019** completed and presented to the PRQC on 23 Oct
- Recommendations will be taken to a sub-working group of PRQC
- Ensure services/communications/activities (both from the College and the Union) are targeted specifically at PGR students to increase sense of belonging and wellbeing
- Will require **input** from the **GSU**, and many **PG reps**, and **PGs**, more generally along the way

Thanks for reading and I'm looking forward to receiving any feedback!

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