

**QUALITY ASSURANCE HANDBOOK 2018/19****INTRODUCTION**

The University for the Creative Arts is committed to:

- the continuous enhancement of the quality of student learning opportunities and
- a rigorous and robust approach to the academic standards of its awards.

The University's Academic Board is the body responsible for academic standards within the University. It has established an Academic Quality Committee to carry out detailed consideration of matters relating to quality assurance and enhancement.

The mechanisms employed by the Academic Board to assure the standard of UCA awards and the quality of student learning opportunities cover:

- Approval of New Qualifications
- Portfolio Planning
- Validation of courses
- Arrangements for Professional, Statutory & Regulatory Body Recognition
- Modifications to Courses
- Annual Academic Monitoring
- External Examining
- Periodic Course Review
- Accreditation of Prior (Experiential) Learning (APEL/APL)
- Collaborative Provision

The University's Quality Strategy supports the Strategic Vision. The Quality Strategy is achieved through the mechanisms and processes detailed in this Quality Assurance Handbook.