

**QUALITY ASSURANCE HANDBOOK 2018/19****ANNEX 4: GLOSSARY OF ACRONYMS FOR QUALITY ASSURANCE**

<b>A</b>		
AAM	Annual Academic Monitoring	
AB	Academic Board	
AF	Academic Fail	
AHDS	Arts & Humanities Data Service	External
AHRC	Arts & Humanities Research Council	External
AP	Alternative Provider	External
APC	Academic Planning Committee	
AP(C)L	Accreditation of Prior (Certificated) Learning	
AP(E)L	Accreditation of Prior (Experiential) Learning	
AQC	Academic Quality Committee	
ARB	Architects Registration Board	External
ARC	Academic Registrars' Council	External
ARC QPG	Academic Registrars' Council Quality Practitioners' Group	External
ART	Academic Registry Team	
AUA	Association of University Administrators	External
AVC	Assistant Vice Chancellor	
<b>B</b>		
BoG	Board of Governors	
BoE	Board of Examiners	
BOS	Bristol Online Survey	External
<b>C</b>		
CAE	Creative Arts Education	
CAP	Course Action Plan	
CCF	Common Credit Framework	
CES	Creative Education Strategy	
CIF	Common Inspection Framework	External
CMA	Competition & Markets Authority	External
COG	Campus Operational Group	
CoP	Completion of Procedures (letter)	External
CPD	Continuous Professional Development	
CPO	Collaborative Provision Officer	
CR	Campus Registry	
CVU	Council for Validating Universities	External
<b>D</b>		
DAP	Degree Awarding Powers	External
DDP	Designated Data Body	External
DLHE	Destination of Leavers in HE	External
DP	Data Protection	External
DQB	Designated Quality Body	External
DS	Diploma Supplement	External
DVC (A)	Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic)	
DVC CR	Deputy Vice Chancellor Corporate Resources	
<b>E</b>		
EDI	Equality, Diversity & Inclusivity Committee	
EEG	External Examiners Group	

ESG	European Standards and Guidelines	External
ESOL	English for Speakers of Other Languages	External
<b>F</b>		
FE	Further Education	External
FHEQ	Framework for Higher Education Qualifications	External
FoI	Freedom of Information	External
<b>H</b>		
HE	Higher Education	External
HEA	Higher Education Academy	External
HEAR	Higher Education Achievement Report	External
HEI	Higher Education Institution	External
HEIF	Higher Education Innovation Fund	External
HEFCE	Higher Education Funding Council for England	External
HERA	Higher Education Research Act	External
HESA	Higher Education Statistics Agency	External
HESES	Higher Education Students Early Statistics Survey	External
<b>I</b>		
IELTS	International English Language Testing System	External
iCM	intelligent Content Management	External
IQER	Integrated Quality and Enhancement Review	External
IR	Institutional Review	External
ISS	Internal Student Survey	
IV	Internal Verification	
<b>J</b>		
JISC	Joint Information Systems Committee	External
<b>K</b>		
KIAD	Kent Institute of Art & Design	
KIS	Key Information Set (up to 2016/17)	External
<b>L</b>		
LINCA	Learning Innovation Network for the Creative Arts	
LSDM	London School of Design and Marketing	External
LSS	Library & Student Services	
LTC	Learning & Teaching Committee	
<b>M</b>		
MAW	Managing Academic Workload	External
MPA	Millennium Performing Arts	External
MoC	Memorandum of Co-operation	
MoU	Memorandum of Understanding	
<b>N</b>		
NSS	National Student Survey	External
NUCCAT	Northern Universities Consortium for Credit Accumulation and Transfer	External
<b>O</b>		
OCA	Open College of the Arts	External
OCA BoT	Open College of the Arts Board of Trustees	
OCA CQC	Open College of the Arts Curriculum Quality Committee	
OCA SDG	Open College of the Arts Strategic Development Group	
OCASA	Open College of the Arts Student Association	
OFFA	Office for Fair Access	External
OfS	Office for Students	External

OFSTED	Office for Standards in Education,	External
OIA	Office of the Independent Adjudicator	External
<b>P</b>		
PDP	Personal Development Planning	External
PDR	Performance Development Review	
PES	Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey	
PGT	Postgraduate Taught	External
PGR	Postgraduate Research	External
PLP	Placement Learning Policy	
PMI	Planning, Management and Information	
PPG	Policy and Procedures Group	
PRES	Postgraduate Research Experience Survey	External
PSRB	Professional, Statutory & Regulatory Bodies	External
PVC	Pro Vice-Chancellor	
<b>Q</b>		
QAA	Quality Assurance Agency	External
QAE	Quality Assurance and Enhancement (Department of)	
QAF	Quality Assessment Framework	
QAH	Quality Assurance Handbook	
QERP	Quality Enhancement Review Process	
QM	Quality Manager	
QSG	Quality Strategy Group	External
QSN	Quality Strategy Network	External
<b>R</b>		
RAE	Research Assessment Exercise	External
R&E	Research & Enterprise	
RE&C	Research and Enterprise Committee	
REF	Research Excellence Framework	External
RDAP	Research Degree Awarding Powers	External
RDC	Research Degrees Committee	
RIBA	Royal Institute of British Architects	External
RSN	Royal School of Needlework	External
RTR	Research Training Resources	
<b>S</b>		
SAIWAG	Student Access, Inclusion and Wellbeing Advisory Group	
SBoS	School Board of Study	
SDF	Strategic Development Fund	External
SEDA	Staff Education Development Association	External
SEEC	South East England Consortium for Credit Accumulation and Transfer	External
SEEDA	South East England Development Agency	External
SFA	Skills Funding Agency	External
SIAD	Surrey Institute of Art & Design	
SME	Small Medium Enterprises	External
SQO/M	Senior Quality Officer/Manager	
SRIF	Science Research Investment Fund	External
SSC	Student Success Committee	
SSS	Student Satisfaction Survey	
STEM	Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths	External
SU	Students' Union	

<b>T</b>		
TAS	Time Allocation Schedule	
TEF	Teaching Excellence and Student Outcomes Framework	External
<b>U</b>		
UAL	University of the Arts London	External
UALAB	University of the Arts London Awarding Body (FE)	External
UCA	University for the Creative Arts	External
UCASU	UCA Students Union	
UKRI	UK Research and Innovation	External
UoB	University of Brighton	External
UUK	Universities UK	External
<b>V</b>		
VC	Vice Chancellor	
<b>W</b>		
WAN	Wide Area Network	External
WIS	Wider Information Set	External
WP	Widening Participation	External
WSCAD	West Surrey College of Art & Design	
YPLA	Young People's Learning Agency	External