



Summary report from meeting of COTEC (Virtual Meeting using Skype)

20th March 2020

Standing Items Reviewed:

HSE, HEA and DFA advice; Student Residences; UL Community Virus Status Check; International Students at UL and UL Students Abroad; Cooperative Education Students; Online Learning Provision; UL Risk Register.

The meeting dealt with the following considerations:

- Combination of divisional/departmental/faculty contingency plans with UL COVID 19 Contingency Plan.
- Report from Academic Planning Group on remote assessments, disability student supports, professional accreditations, Igrades, competency based modules etc.
- 2020/2021 academic calendar to be mapped.
- Review of library resource access.
- Faculty board continuing online
- Agreed process for submitting PhD thesis
- Support structure for International students living off campus amid concern for their isolation
- Consideration of loss of income for many students – agreement to seek to increase the student hardship fund
- Inventory of all UL research projects shared
- Establishment of UL COVID Action Group to focus UL research capability for the national good
- Redeployment of staff within UL, update of status of hourly paid staff
- Cyber security and increased risk of hackers looking to take advantage of working from home
- Protocol in terms of recruitment and interview and selection
- Closure of playing pitches on campus
- Update of issues register.