REGULATION IX:

The Senate

1. Powers of the Senate

1.1 The Senate shall have the following powers:

1.1.1 To award Degrees, Fellowships, Scholarships, Prizes and other Distinctions and to confirm examination results.

1.1.2 To review, confirm, amend or disallow any decision of a Faculty concerning the progress and fitness to practise of a student.

1.1.3 To regulate subject to the Charter and Statutes the admission of persons to courses of the University.

1.1.4 To make after report from the Faculties concerned all Regulations for giving effect to the Statutes relating to courses of study.

1.1.5 To make Regulations for the discipline of the students of the University and to suspend or expel any student when thought necessary.

1.1.6 To make Regulations as to the review by the Faculties of the progress and fitness to practise of students.

1.1.7 To report to the Council on Statutes or proposed changes to the Charter and Statutes.

1.1.8 To formulate and modify or revise schemes for the organisation of Faculties of the University and for determining the province of each Faculty and also to report to the Council as to the expediency of the establishment at any time of other Faculties or as to the expediency of the abolition combination or sub-division of any Faculties.

1.1.9 To fix (subject to any conditions made by the Founders which are accepted by the Council) the times and mode and conditions of competitions for Fellowships, Scholarships, Prizes and other Distinctions.

1.1.10 To report on any other matter referred to or delegated to it by the Council.

1.1.11 To discuss and declare an opinion on any matter whatsoever relating to the University.

2. Composition of the Senate

2.1 The Senate shall consist of:

2.1.1 The President & Vice-Chancellor.

2.1.2 The Provost & Deputy Vice-Chancellor and the Vice-Presidents.

2.1.3 The Principal of City College (International Faculty).

2.1.4 The Deputy Vice-Presidents for Education and Research and Innovation.

2.1.5 The following Faculty Officers:

the Directors of Learning and Teaching;

the Directors of Research and Innovation.

2.1.6 The following cross-cutting Directors:

the Directors of Learning and Teaching;

the Directors of Research and Innovation;

the Directors of Digital Learning.

2.1.7 The Heads or acting Heads of the following Departments:

Animal and Plant Sciences, Archaeology, Architecture, Automatic Control and Systems Engineering, Biomedical Science, Business Administration and Economics (International Faculty), Chemistry, Chemical and Biological Engineering, Civil and Structural Engineering, Clinical Dentistry, Computer Science, Computer Science (International Faculty), East Asian Studies, Economics, Education, Electronic and Electrical Engineering, English, English Studies (International Faculty), Executive Education Centre (International Faculty), Geography, Health and Related Research, History, Human Communication Sciences, Infection, Immunity and Cardiovascular Disease, Information School, Journalism Studies, Landscape, Languages and Cultures, Law, Lifelong Learning, Management, Materials Science and Engineering,
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Mathematics and Statistics, Mechanical Engineering, Medical School, Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, Music, Neuroscience, Nursing and Midwifery, Oncology and Metabolism, Philosophy, Physics and Astronomy, Politics, Psychology, Psychology (International Faculty), Sheffield Methods Institute, Sociological Studies and Urban Studies and Planning.

2.1.8 The Vice-Principals of the International Faculty.
2.1.9 The Director of Library Services and University Librarian.
2.1.10 Representatives elected by and from the Academic, Teaching, Research and Professional Staff of the University in Grades 8 and above. The number of such representatives shall be equal to the number of members under paragraphs 2.1.1 to 2.1.7 above. Such representatives shall hold office for three years.

2.1.11 Not more than fifteen student members comprising the President, the Education Officer, the International Students’ Officer, the Welfare Officer and the Women’s Officer of the Students’ Union, and two postgraduate students, one mature student and one student from each Faculty nominated by the Students’ Union.

2.1.12 Not more than six Chairs of Committees who are not otherwise members of the Senate, such Chairs to be co-opted by the Senate. Members under this category shall serve for one University year and shall be eligible to serve for further such periods.

2.2 The Senate shall, in addition to the members in 2.1 above, co-opt such members as may be necessary to ensure that the senior members of the academic staff shall constitute the majority of the Senate. The senior members of the academic staff are defined for this purpose as being the President & Vice-Chancellor, the Provost & Deputy Vice-Chancellor, the Vice-Presidents, the Principal of City College, the Vice-Principals of the International Faculty, Faculty and cross-cutting Directors of Learning and Teaching, Faculty and cross-cutting Directors of Research and Innovation, Professors and Heads of Department. Such co-opted members shall serve for a period not exceeding one University year and be eligible to serve for further such periods.

2.3 Members appointed under paragraph 2.1.11 shall be members only in respect of the powers of the Senate under paragraphs 1.1.4 to 1.1.11.

2.4 A member appointed under paragraph 2.1.7, 2.1.9, or an Officer of the Students’ Union appointed under 2.1.11 who is unable to attend a meeting of the Senate may, subject to the following conditions, appoint a deputy for that meeting:

2.4.1 a Head or acting Head of Department may only appoint a member of the academic staff of the Department concerned;
2.4.2 the Director of Library Services and University Librarian may only appoint the Associate Director of the Library;
2.4.3 an Officer of the Students’ Union who is a member under paragraph 2.1.11 may only appoint a member of the Students’ Union Council nominated for this purpose by the President of the Students’ Union.

2.5 Twenty members of the Senate, including not fewer than eleven members of the senior academic staff as defined in paragraph 2.2 above, shall form a quorum.

2.6 In these Regulations “Head of Department” means the Head or Chair of the relevant Department, and “Department” includes, where appropriate, Centre, Division, School or Unit.

3. Validity of Decisions of the Senate

3.1 Decisions taken at a meeting of the Senate shall not be invalidated because of:

3.1.1 a procedural defect of which the Senate is unaware at the time, provided that the defect, once identified, is at the earliest reasonable opportunity brought to the attention of the Senate and the Senate is asked to consider whether the decision should stand;
3.1.2 a technical defect in the appointment of a Senate Member of which the Senate is unaware at the time;
3.1.3 a technical defect in the giving of notice of which the Senate is unaware at the time;
3.1.4 a vacancy in the membership of the Senate.
4. **Delegation of Powers of the Senate**

Subject to Regulation II: (12), powers of the Senate shall be delegated as follows:

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<td>4.1.5 The power in accordance with the Discipline Regulations to suspend or expel any student when thought necessary or take such other action as the Discipline Regulations shall provide.</td>
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<td>4.1.7 The power to withdraw any Degree (other than an Honorary or Ex-Officio Degree) Diploma Certificate Associateship or Distinction which has been awarded or conferred upon any person.</td>
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